

Summary of decision points at Excom 7:

Item 3: Organizational matter

- (a) Election of officers
 - Elected Erling and Vhali as the new co-chairs of the Excom for a term of one year.
- (b) Designation of liaison members with other bodies under the Convention
 - Designated the following liaison members:
 - International Panel on Climate Change: Dawn and Farhan;
 - Green Climate Fund: Pepe and Russell;
 - Technology Executive Committee: Nedal and Takeya;
 - Paris Committee on Capacity Building: Antonio and Thomas;
 - Standing Committee on Finance: Pepe and Farhan;
 - Least Developed Countries Expert Group: Adao (Nurul as a back-up) and Christoph;
 - Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention: Vhali and Erling;
 - Adaptation Committee: Sumaya and Malcolm.
- (c) Vacant seat of the Excom on the Task Force on Displacement:
 - Elected Sumaya.

Item 4: Report from the Task Force on Displacement

- Took note of reporting from the Task Force on Displacement and looks forward to hearing the outcomes of the stakeholders meeting in May, and receiving a set of recommendations as the outcome of the work of Task Force on Displacement at Excom 8.

Item 5: Intersessional work related to slow onset events

- Took note of the update of the database of organizations working on slow onset events, and of the initial assessment of the scope of work being undertaken on slow onset events as reported by organizations of the online database;
- Reaffirmed that further steps on the strategic workstream on slow onset events, including on the draft slow onset events compendium, will be guided by the expert group on slow onset events.

Item 6: Collaboration with the Technology Executive Committee

- Agreed on the general scope of the joint policy brief with the Technology Executive Committee and on the way forward, including establishing a joint intersessional working group comprising the Excom liaison members and liaison members from the Technology Executive Committee, and showcasing progress on the collaboration at COP 24.

Item 7: Establishment of expert groups of the Excom

- Adopted “universal” terms of reference for the three expert groups;
- Elected Excom members to serve in each expert group, pending co-chairs consultations with absent members:
 - Slow onset events: Antonio, Farhan, and Malcolm;
 - Non-economic losses: Nurul, Monica (Cornelia as a back-up), and Russell;
 - Comprehensive risk management: Dawn, Nedal, Christoph and Thomas.

Item 8: Communication strategy, including engagement with International Panel on Climate Change

- The group of champions to continue developing the strategy and share the outcome of their work at Excom 8;
- Designated group of champion as Vhali, Antonio, Russel and Cornelia;
- Requested the International Panel on Climate Change liaison members (Dawn and Farhan) to carry forward the engagement with the International Panel on Climate Change.

Item 9: Emerging needs and cross cutting issues

a) On the Suva expert dialogue

- Agreed that the secretariat initiates preparatory work on the basis of the document;
- Established a small group of champions who will join the co-chairs and secretariat in intersessional work.

b) On paragraph 6 of decision 5/CP.23:

- Requested the Task Force on Displacement and the expert groups established at this meeting, to take into account, to the extent possible, the issues of relevance to the regional and national context, as listed in the submissions when making progress reports at regular meetings of the Excom.;
- The Excom noted that there is a wealth of information on issues of relevance to the regional and national context that can inform, as appropriate, the work of the Task Force on Displacement and the expert groups established.

c) On paragraph 18 of decision 5/CP.23:

- Noted COP guidance, and decided to adopt a more flexible approach to engaging experts through expert groups.

d) On paragraph 19 of decision 5/CP.23:

19 (a)

- Took note of the request of the COP to consider cross-cutting issues and current, urgent and emerging needs related to extreme weather events and slow onset events when updating its five-year rolling workplan.

19 (b) and (c)

- Noted that these provisions apply to all workstreams;
- The working group on communication to take into consideration these provisions in developing the draft communication strategy of the Excom;
- Encouraged the secretariat, when supporting relevant work of the Excom, to identify and engage potential partners, as appropriate.

e) On paragraph 20 of decision 5/CP.23:

- Established liaison members to different bodies to enhance communication.