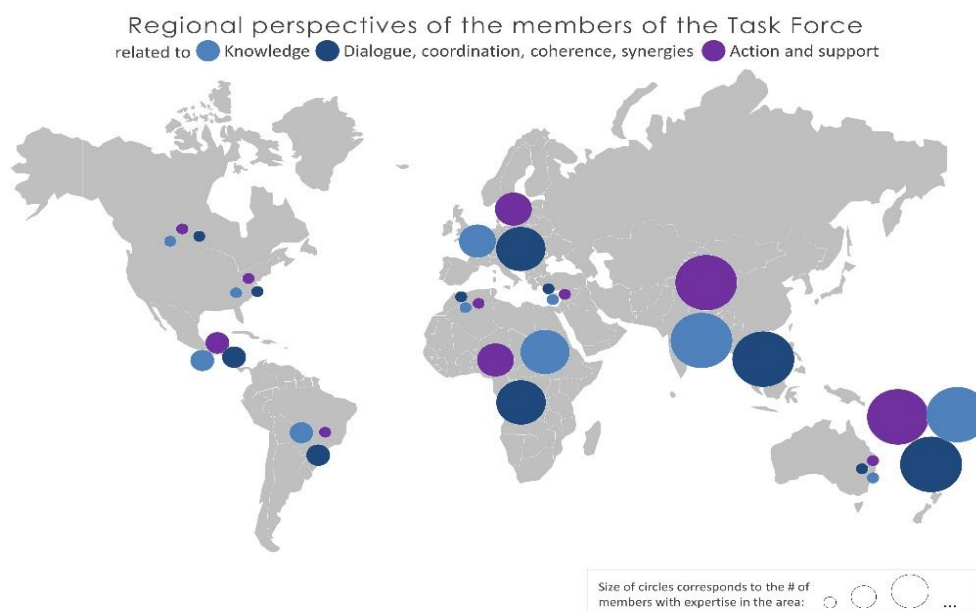


Summary of proceedings of the first meeting of the Task Force on Displacement, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage

Background: At the Paris Climate Change Conference (COP21), the COP requested the Executive Committee to establish a task force to develop recommendations for integrated approaches to avert, minimize, and address displacement related to the adverse effects of climate change. This document summarizes the proceedings of the first meeting of that task force, including a draft work plan to articulate recommendations.

1. The first meeting of the Task Force on Displacement took place on 18–19 May 2017 in Bonn, Germany.¹
2. All members from the constituted bodies under the UNFCCC, and six members from the relevant expert communities participated in person:²
 - Ms. Cornelia Jäger (*Excom*³)
 - Mr. Idy Niang (*Excom*)
 - Ms. Pepetua Latasi (*Excom*)
 - Mr. Russell Miles (*Excom*)
 - Mr. Idrissa Semde (*LEG*⁴)
 - Ms. Maria del Pilar Bueno (*AC*⁵)
 - Mr. Atle Solberg (*Platform on Disaster Displacement*)
 - Ms. Dina Ionesco (*IOM*)
 - Mr. Ezekiel Simperingham (*IFRC*)
 - Ms. Keti Chachibaia (*UNDP*)
 - Ms. Michelle Leighton (*ILO*)
 - Ms. Michelle Yonetani (*Civil society, Advisory Group on Climate Change and Human Mobility*)
3. Ms. Madeline Garlick (*UNHCR*) joined remotely via WebEx for parts of the meeting, who had also provided, prior to the meeting, written inputs against topics included in the agenda. Those inputs were incorporated into outputs from corresponding sessions. The meeting was co-facilitated by Idy and Russell.
4. The map below shows regional expertise of members as it relates to knowledge, policy coherence, and action and support, for the work of the Task Force.



¹ Information and background documents for the meeting are available at <<http://unfccc.int/10302>>.

² The membership seat designated to the UNFCCC constituency 'Local Governments and Municipal Authorities' is currently vacant, pending its nomination.

³ Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage.

⁴ Least Developed Countries Expert Group.

⁵ Adaptation Committee.

5. **Session 1** provided opportunities for members to **introduce relevant work of their organizations**⁶ from the perspective of the scope of the work of the Task Force as contained in the Terms of Reference.
6. **Session 2** comprised brainstorming discussions in parallel working groups and a plenary discussion, focusing on the **target audiences and desired impacts of the recommendations** which the Task Force is mandated to develop. Four broad areas of desired impacts emerged as results of these parallel working groups. Further group work led to the identification of elements for impact statements for each of the four broad areas of desired impacts.
7. In parallel, members provided information on **relevant events and processes**⁷ that are taking place from May 2017 to November 2018 - a period during which the Task Force is envisaged to be in active operation (**Session 3**).
8. The second day of the meeting was entirely devoted to the consideration of **activities required to develop the recommendations**, clustered by the four broad areas of desired impacts of the recommendations (**Session 4**).
9. Following this exercise, the group established (co-) lead agency and key collaborating agencies for each of the agreed activities of the Task Force. (Co-) Lead members then further refined the wording on respective activities in order to articulate the deliverables (Session 5).
10. The **Task Force agreed** to the following:
 - a) **Forward to the Excom for its endorsement the draft workplan** of the Task Force on Displacement as contained in the annex to this document;
 - b) **Undertake the activities** as contained in the abovementioned draft workplan in time to make available the summaries of the results as referred to in sub-paragraph (c) below;
 - c) **Make available a two-page summary** of the results of activities undertaken by the end of March 2018;
 - d) **Convene, as appropriate, a meeting** (May 2018) on all areas of work of the Task Force which includes, a wider consultation with stakeholders; and an internal Task Force meeting (closed);
 - e) Hold an **in-person meeting of the Task Force in July-August 2018**.
11. Members from the PDD and IOM offered to **host and organize the meeting** referred to in paragraph 11 (d) above, which was welcomed by all the Task Force members.

Next steps

12. The Task Force requested the secretariat to undertake editorial refinement of the draft workplan, then, send it to the Task Force members. (Co-) Lead members of activities will, in turn, complete the timeline for making available the deliverables from their activities.
13. The draft workplan will subsequently be shared with the Excom for its approval intersessionally.
14. The annex to this document contains the draft workplan. The agenda of the meeting, presentations and outputs of the meeting are available at <<http://unfccc.int/10302>>.

⁶ For the information on relevant work presented by members, see <http://unfccc.int/10302>.

⁷ Information on relevant events and processes shared by the members are also available on <http://unfccc.int/10302>.



Task Force members during the first meeting

