

Decision -/CP.29

Poznan strategic programme on technology transfer

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.14 and 1/CP.27, paragraph 46,

1. *Welcomes* the financial support provided by the Global Environment Facility under the Poznan strategic programme on technology transfer, including for undertaking technology needs assessments, supporting the regional climate technology transfer and finance centres and piloting priority technology projects aimed at scaling up the level of investment in technology transfer;
2. *Requests* the secretariat, under the guidance of the Technology Executive Committee and in consultation with the Global Environment Facility, to prepare a report, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-fourth session (June 2026), on the evaluation of the Poznan strategic programme, to take stock of progress, challenges, and successes in and lessons learned from implementing the Poznan strategic programme;
3. *Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to consider the report referred to in paragraph 2 above with a view to recommending a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-first session (November 2026) with the aim of supporting the implementation of activities, such as those identified and prioritized in developing countries' nationally determined contributions, national adaptation plans, technology needs assessments, technology action plans and long-term strategies, and informing the technology implementation programme;¹
4. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 2 above;
5. *Requests* that the action of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

¹ As referred to in decision 1/CMA.5, paragraph 110.

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Climate high-level champions

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.21, 1/CP.25 and 1/CMA.5,

Noting decisions 1/CP.22, 1/CP.23, 1/CP.24, 1/CP.26, 1/CP.27, 1/CP.28 and 16/CP.28,

1. *Recognizes* the important role and active engagement of non-Party stakeholders in supporting Parties in contributing to progress towards achieving the objective of the Convention and the goals of the Paris Agreement;
2. *Welcomes* the progress, leadership and work of the high-level champions in promoting activities under the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action on implementing voluntary efforts, initiatives and coalitions;
3. *Also welcomes* the continuation of the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action and *decides* to continue to appoint high-level champions, for 2026–2030,¹ to act on behalf of the President of the Conference of the Parties to facilitate, through high-level engagement, the scaling up and strengthening of voluntary efforts, initiatives and coalitions, and to continue convening annually a high-level event together with the Executive Secretary and the incumbent and incoming Presidents of the Conference of the Parties;
4. *Requests* the incumbent and incoming Presidents of the Conference of the Parties to provide direction to the high-level champion that they appoint, with advice from the secretariat, on the work referred to in paragraph 3 above, including on matters related to the Global Climate Action Agenda.

¹ In accordance with decision 1/CP.21, paras. 122(c) and 123.

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Dates and venues of future sessions

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 7, paragraph 4, of the Convention,

Also recalling United Nations General Assembly resolution 40/243 of 18 December 1985 on the pattern of conferences,

Further recalling rule 22, paragraph 1, of the draft rules of procedure being applied regarding the rotation of the office of President among the five United Nations regional groups,

Recalling decision 17/CP.28,

I. 2025

1. *Reiterates appreciation* for the offer of the Government of Brazil to host the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties, the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the seventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement from Monday, 10 November, to Friday, 21 November 2025;¹
2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue consultations with the Government of Brazil and to conclude a Host Country Agreement for convening the sessions, pursuant to United Nations General Assembly resolution 40/243 and the provisions of United Nations administrative instruction ST/AI/342, including its annex, containing the model conference agreement, with a view to signing the Host Country Agreement as soon as possible, preferably before the sixty-second sessions of the subsidiary bodies (June 2025), so as to allow for its prompt implementation;
3. *Reiterates* the request² to the Executive Secretary to provide the host country with technical support and guidance on UNFCCC policies and requirements, taking into account any issues raised by Parties regarding the organization of sessions, and to report back regularly to the Bureau of the governing bodies;

II. 2026

4. *Notes* that, in keeping with the principle of rotation among the United Nations regional groups, the President of the thirty-first session of the Conference of the Parties, the twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the eighth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement would come from the Western European and other States;
5. *Invites* Parties to come forward with offers to host the sessions referred to in paragraph 4 above, which will be held from Monday, 9 November, to Friday, 20 November 2026, recalling that the Subsidiary Body for Implementation urged the Western European and other States to accelerate their consultations with a view to presenting an offer to host the sessions referred to in paragraph 4 above as soon as possible and no later than at its sixty-second session (June 2025) in order to facilitate timely planning,³ and noting the

¹ See decision 17/CP.28, para. 4.

² Decision 17/CP.28, para. 6.

³ FCCC/SBI/2024/13, para. 177.

logistical and financial risks associated with delays in selecting a host country and the need for the secretariat to conduct fact-finding missions to the host country in a timely manner;

6. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its sixty-second session, to consider the issue of the host of the sessions referred to in paragraph 4 above and to recommend a draft decision on the matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session.

III. 2027

7. *Notes* that, in keeping with the principle of rotation among the United Nations regional groups, the President of the thirty-second session of the Conference of the Parties, the twenty-second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement would come from the African States;

8. *Invites* Parties to come forward with offers to host the sessions referred to in paragraph 7 above, which will be held from Monday, 8 November, to Friday, 19 November 2027, noting the logistical and financial risks associated with delays in selecting a host country and the need for the secretariat to conduct fact-finding missions to the host country in a timely manner;

9. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its sixty-second session, to consider the issue of the host of the sessions referred to in paragraph 7 above and to recommend a draft decision on the matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session;

IV. Calendar of meetings of the Convention, Kyoto Protocol and Paris Agreement bodies

10. *Adopts* the following dates for the sessional periods in 2028:

- (a) First sessional period: Monday, 5 June, to Thursday, 15 June;
- (b) Second sessional period: Monday, 6 November, to Friday, 17 November;

11. *Also adopts* the following dates for the sessional periods in 2029:

- (a) First sessional period: Monday, 4 June, to Thursday, 14 June;
 - (b) Second sessional period: Monday, 5 November, to Friday, 16 November.
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Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.21, 2/CP.23, 2/CP.24 and 16/CP.26,

Also recalling the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples,

Acknowledging the role and contributions of Indigenous Peoples and of local communities in nature stewardship and climate leadership, as well as the disproportionate effects of climate change on Indigenous Peoples and on local communities,

Also acknowledging that climate change is a common concern of humankind and that Parties should, when taking action to address climate change, respect, promote and consider their respective obligations on human rights, the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment, the right to health, the rights of Indigenous Peoples, local communities, migrants, children, persons with disabilities and people in vulnerable situations, and the right to development, as well as gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity,

Noting the importance of ensuring the integrity of all ecosystems, including oceans, and the protection of biodiversity, recognized by some cultures as Mother Earth, and *also noting* the importance for some of the concept of ‘climate justice’, when taking action to address climate change,

Recognizing that the knowledge systems of Indigenous Peoples are diverse and an integral part of their identities, values, spiritualities and worldviews, and that local knowledge and value systems are also diverse and dependent on the contexts of local communities,

Recalling decision 1/CMA.5, whereby, inter alia, it was reaffirmed that sustainable and just solutions to the climate crisis must be founded on meaningful and effective social dialogue and participation of all stakeholders, including Indigenous Peoples, and local communities, and noted that the global transition to low emissions and climate-resilient development provides opportunities and challenges for sustainable development and poverty eradication, and the implementation of integrated, multi-sectoral solutions, building on the best available science as well as Indigenous Peoples’ knowledge and local knowledge systems was encouraged, and the role of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform in strengthening the capacity of Indigenous Peoples and of local communities to effectively engage in the intergovernmental process under the Paris Agreement was recognized,

1. *Welcomes* the progress of the Facilitative Working Group of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform in facilitating implementation of the functions of the Platform;¹
2. *Also welcomes* the report of the Facilitative Working Group,² including the draft workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for 2025–2027 contained therein;
3. *Decides* to continue the mandate of the Facilitative Working Group;
4. *Notes with appreciation* the financial support provided, including by the Governments of Australia, Canada, Finland and Norway, for implementing the functions of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform;

¹ See decision 2/CP.23, para. 6.

² FCCC/SBSTA/2024/1.

5. *Expresses appreciation* to the Government of Chad for hosting the biregional gathering for the Asia and Africa regions and to the Governments of Australia and Norway for hosting the regional gatherings for the Pacific and Arctic regions respectively under the workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for 2022–2024;
6. *Recognizes* the important role of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and its Facilitative Working Group in bringing together Parties, Indigenous Peoples, and local communities to work towards achieving the objective of the Convention and the goals of the Paris Agreement;
7. *Notes* the challenges and recommendations outlined in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above in relation to facilitating the enhanced engagement of Indigenous Peoples and of local communities under the Convention and the Paris Agreement;
8. *Encourages* Parties, Indigenous Peoples as well as local communities to actively engage under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform, including by engaging in the meetings of the Facilitative Working Group;
9. *Requests* the secretariat to explore ways to enable members of the Facilitative Working Group, especially members serving as representatives of Indigenous Peoples organizations, to participate in sessions of the subsidiary bodies and the Conference of the Parties when performing specific tasks in their capacity as members of the Facilitative Working Group;
10. *Also requests* the secretariat to explore possible arrangements for simultaneous interpretation in the official languages of the United Nations that correspond to the actual language requirements of the members and contributors present at meetings of the Facilitative Working Group and in mandated events under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and to explore and inform the Facilitative Working Group at its meetings on options for furthering language support at such meetings and events to enable full participation therein in additional relevant languages, as appropriate;
11. *Invites* Parties that wish to do so to provide simultaneous interpretation into languages other than the official languages of the United Nations at meetings of the Facilitative Working Group and mandated events under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and *requests* the secretariat, where possible, to make any necessary arrangements for accommodating such additional simultaneous interpretation;
12. *Recognizes* the importance of institutional knowledge and continuity in the efforts of the Facilitative Working Group to further operationalize the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform and facilitate implementation of the functions of the Platform;
13. *Decides* that, of the representatives who will be appointed as members of the Facilitative Working Group with a term beginning in June 2025, three Party representatives and three representatives from Indigenous Peoples organizations shall serve for a term of two years instead of three years, after which time all representatives shall serve for a term of three years in accordance with decision 2/CP.24;
14. *Invites* the Facilitative Working Group to decide which Party representatives and which representatives from Indigenous Peoples organizations shall serve for a term of two years, as referred to in paragraph 13 above, in a manner that ensures geographical and gender balance;
15. *Notes with appreciation* that activities and mandated events under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform, as well as meetings of the Facilitative Working Group, remain open to and inclusive of local communities and a wide range of Platform contributors, *encourages* Parties and relevant constituted bodies, in particular the Facilitative Working Group, and representatives of workstreams under the Convention and the Paris Agreement to consider ways to further engage local communities and *invites* the incoming Presidency of the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2025) to convene in conjunction with that session a thematic workshop and relevant dialogues in line with the activities included in the workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform;

16. *Also invites* Parties, relevant constituted bodies and representatives of work programmes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and other stakeholders, including regional entities, to take into account the challenges and recommendations related to enhancing the engagement of Indigenous Peoples and of local communities under the Convention and the Paris Agreement as detailed in the report referred to in paragraph 2 above;
17. *Requests* the Facilitative Working Group to report on the outcomes of its work, including the activities under the workplan for 2025–2027, to consider and, as appropriate, propose recommendations relating to the scope and functions of the Platform and to prepare a draft workplan for the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for 2028–2031 for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-second session (November 2027) through the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its sixty-sixth session (June 2027);
18. *Decides* that the next review of the Facilitative Working Group will take place in 2027 and *requests* the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to conduct the review at its sixty-sixth session with a view to the Conference of the Parties adopting a decision thereon at its thirty-second session;
19. *Invites* Parties, Indigenous Peoples, local communities and stakeholders to submit via the submission portal³ by 30 September 2026 views on activities and thematic focuses for the workplan of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform for 2028–2031 for consideration by the Facilitative Working Group at its 16th meeting, to be held in 2026, and to submit via the submission portal by 1 November 2026 views on the impact of work under the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform, which will serve as input to the review of the Facilitative Working Group in 2027;
20. *Encourages* Parties, relevant constituted bodies and representatives of work programmes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and other stakeholders to actively collaborate with the Facilitative Working Group;
21. *Invites* interested Parties and organizations to provide financial support for the implementation of the functions of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform;
22. *Requests* the secretariat to continue to support and facilitate the work of the Facilitative Working Group;
23. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs 2, 10 and 11 above;
24. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

³ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

Decision -/CP.29

Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts and joint annual report of its Executive Committee and the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change

*The Conference of the Parties*¹

1. Endorses decision -/CMA.6,² on the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts and joint annual report of its Executive Committee and the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change,³ which provides as follows:

“1. *Welcomes* the progress of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts in implementing its rolling workplan for 2023–2027⁴ and the progress of the Advisory Board and the interim secretariat of the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change in operationalizing the Santiago network;

“2. *Adopts* the rules of procedure of the Advisory Board of the Santiago network, as contained in the annex;

“3. *Expresses appreciation* to the organizations, constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and other stakeholders that have contributed to the implementation of the rolling workplan of the Executive Committee for 2023–2027, including through its thematic expert groups, and to the organizations, bodies, networks and experts that have become or expressed an interest in becoming members of the Santiago network;

“4. *Requests* the subsidiary bodies to continue consideration of the 2024 joint annual report of the Executive Committee and the Santiago network⁵ and the 2024 review of the Warsaw International Mechanism at their sixty-second sessions (June 2025) with a view to recommending a draft decision or decisions thereon for consideration and adoption by the governing body or bodies at the session(s) to be held in November 2025;

“5. *Notes* that considerations related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism will continue at its seventh session (November 2025).⁶”

2. *Notes* that considerations related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism will continue at its thirtieth session (November 2025).⁷

¹ Nothing in this document prejudices Parties' views or prejudices outcomes on matters related to the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts.

² Draft decision entitled “Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts and joint annual report of its Executive Committee and the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change” proposed under agenda item 10 of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session.

³ FCCC/SB/2024/2 and Add.1 and Add.2/Rev.1.

⁴ FCCC/SB/2022/2/Add.2, annex I.

⁵ FCCC/SB/2024/2 and Add.1 and Add.2/Rev.1.

⁶ It is noted that discussions on the governance of the Warsaw International Mechanism did not produce an outcome; this is without prejudice to further consideration of this matter.

⁷ As footnote 6 above.

Annex*

Rules of procedure of the Advisory Board of the Santiago network for averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change**

[English only]

I. Scope

1. These rules and procedures shall apply to the Advisory Board of the Santiago network (the “Advisory Board”) in accordance with decision 12/CMA.4, endorsed by decision 11/CP.27, and decision 6/CMA.5, endorsed by decision 2/CP.28, as well as any other relevant decisions of the governing body or bodies.

II. Definitions

2. For the purpose of these rules:

(a) “Co-chairs” means the members of the Santiago network elected as co-chairs of the Advisory Board of the Santiago network;

(b) “Secretariat” means the secretariat referred to in paragraph 3(a) of decision 12/CMA.4, endorsed by decision 11/CP.27, as a hosted secretariat, and also in the Terms of Reference of the Santiago network, in Annex I of the same decisions.

III. Membership

3. The Advisory Board, with the aim of achieving fair and balanced representation, shall be composed of the following, taking into account the need for gender balance:

(a) Two members from each of the five recognized United Nations regional groups;

(b) One member each from the least developed countries and small island developing States;

(c) Two members of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism (ExCom), nominated by the ExCom from among its members.

4. The Advisory Board will also have three other representatives, one from the Women and Gender constituency, one from Indigenous Peoples organizations, and one from the children and youth non-governmental organizations, who may actively participate in the deliberations of the Advisory Board.

5. Members and representatives elected to the Advisory Board shall serve a term of two years and shall be eligible to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms of office.

6. Half of the members elected in 2023 shall serve a term of three years and half of the members shall serve a term of two years, after which time the governing body or bodies shall elect half of the members every year for a term of two years.

7. The members of the Advisory Board shall remain in office until their successors are elected.

* Annex to decision -/CMA.6 (see footnote 2 to this decision), endorsed by the Conference of the Parties in this decision.

** Reproduced as adopted by the Advisory Board of the Santiago network at its 3rd meeting, on 6 September 2024, without formal editing.

8. The term of office of a member shall start at the first meeting of the Advisory Board in the calendar year following their election and shall end immediately before the first meeting of the Advisory Board in the calendar year in which their term ends.

9. If a member or representative of the Advisory Board resigns or is otherwise unable to complete their term, the regional group or constituency from which the member comes - or the ExCom, for members nominated by it - may decide, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the governing body or bodies, to appoint another member from the same group or constituency to replace said member for the remainder of that member's term, in which case the appointment shall count as one term.

10. If a member is temporarily unable to serve in the Advisory Board, the Advisory Board shall, at the request of that member, invite the group, constituency, or the ExCom, to replace said member in an ad interim capacity for a period of up to one year from the date of that request.

IV. Conflicts of interest and confidentiality

11. Advisory Board members must promptly disclose and recuse themselves from any deliberations or decision-making where their personal or financial interests may be affected, in order to avoid a conflict of interest or the appearance of one.

12. Advisory Board members should not disclose any confidential information they receive in the course of their duties, even after leaving the Advisory Board, except as required by national law.

V. Chairing arrangements

13. The Advisory Board shall elect annually two co-chairs from among its members to serve for a term of one year.

14. If one or both co-chairs are absent from a particular meeting, any other member or members designated by the Advisory Board shall serve as co-chair or co-chairs.

15. If a co-chair is unable to complete the term of office, the Advisory Board shall elect a replacement to complete that term of office.

16. The co-chairs shall collaborate in chairing meetings of the Advisory Board and related intersessional work. The co-chairs shall, inter alia, declare the opening and closing of meetings, ensure the observance of these rules of procedure, accord the right to speak and announce decisions. The co-chairs shall rule on points of order and, subject to these rules of procedure, shall have complete control over the proceedings of meetings and the maintenance of order at meetings.

17. The co-chairs shall share and allocate between themselves responsibility for chairing Advisory Board meetings.

18. The co-chairs or any member designated by the Advisory Board shall report to the governing body or bodies on behalf of the Advisory Board.

19. The co-chairs or any member designated by the Advisory Board shall represent the Advisory Board in external meetings and shall report back to the Advisory Board on those meetings.

20. The co-chairs may also jointly delegate tasks to members of the Advisory Board in the interest of expediting and advancing the work of the Advisory Board.

21. The Advisory Board may further define additional roles and responsibilities for the co-chairs.

22. The co-chairs, in the exercise of their functions, remain under the authority of the Advisory Board.

VI. Subcommittees and panels

23. The Advisory Board may establish subcommittees, panels, working groups or task forces, if required, to undertake specific tasks assigned by the Advisory Board or to provide expert advice in order to assist the Advisory Board in executing its work.

24. In establishing subcommittees, panels, working groups or task forces, the Advisory Board will determine an appropriate number of participants and ensure that participants have appropriate expertise in the relevant field of work.

VII. Secretariat

25. The director of the Santiago network secretariat shall serve as secretary to the Advisory Board.

26. The secretary shall be responsible for facilitating and providing support to the:

(a) Making of the necessary arrangements for the meetings of the Advisory Board, including announcing meetings, issuing invitations and making available the documents for meetings;

(b) Maintaining of meeting records and arranging for the storage and preservation of documents of meetings;

(c) Making of documents of the meetings of the Advisory Board available to the public, unless otherwise determined by the Advisory Board.

(d) Tracking of the implementation of decisions and actions taken by the Advisory Board and report on the progress of these actions.

27. In addition, the secretary shall facilitate support that the Advisory Board may require or that the governing body or bodies may direct with respect to the Advisory Board

VIII. Meetings

28. The Advisory Board shall meet at least twice a year, where possible in connection with meetings of the ExCom, while retaining its flexibility to adjust the number of meetings to suit its needs.

29. The Advisory Board shall hold its meetings at the location of the Santiago network secretariat head office, unless otherwise decided by the Advisory Board and subject to the necessary arrangements being made, and may hold meetings in hybrid (in person and virtual) format. Decisions on the location of meetings other than the location of the Santiago network secretariat shall take into account the costs and benefits of venue rotation, particularly in developing countries and with respect to facilitating the participation of key stakeholders, as well as the location of the ExCom meetings.

30. The Advisory Board may decide to hold meetings virtually on an exceptional basis and when required to advance its work, as proposed by the co-chairs after consultation with the Advisory Board.

31. In arranging virtual meetings, the Advisory Board shall consider the working modalities of such meetings, including the fair and balanced choice of timing in light of the time zones of members, with the aim of ensuring inclusive and effective participation of all members.

32. At the first Advisory Board meeting of each calendar year, the co-chairs shall propose a schedule of meetings for that calendar year.

33. At each meeting, the Advisory Board will confirm the dates, duration and venue of the following meeting.

34. If changes to the scheduled or additional meetings are required, the co-chairs shall, after consultation with the Advisory Board, request the secretariat to give notice of any

changes in the dates of scheduled meetings and/or of the dates of additional meetings to members and representatives, and observers. To the extent possible, notice of a meeting shall be given at least four weeks before the opening of that meeting.

IX. Quorum

35. At least 10 of the Advisory Board members, as laid out in paragraph 3, must be present at a meeting to constitute a quorum. Members participating in meetings virtually will count towards quorum. A quorum shall be established prior to the commencement of each meeting.

36. A quorum shall be confirmed by the co-chairs immediately prior to the adoption of any decision by the Advisory Board.

37. A member may ask for a confirmation of quorum prior to the commencement of a meeting or prior to the adoption of any decision by the Advisory Board.

X. Agenda and documentation for meetings

38. The co-chairs, assisted by the secretariat, shall prepare the provisional agenda for each meeting as well as a draft report on the meeting.

39. Members and representatives may propose additions or changes to the provisional agenda, in writing, to the secretariat within one week of receiving the provisional agenda, and these additions or changes shall be included in a revised provisional agenda prepared by the secretariat with the approval of the co-chairs.

40. The secretariat shall transmit the revised provisional agenda for a meeting to the members and representatives of the Advisory Board at least four weeks prior to that meeting. The revised provisional agenda may be transmitted after that date with the approval of the co-chairs.

41. Unless otherwise decided by the co-chairs, documents for a meeting of the Advisory Board should be published on the Santiago network website at least two weeks prior to that meeting, to the extent possible.

42. The Advisory Board shall, at the beginning of each meeting, adopt the meeting agenda.

43. Before the end of each meeting, the co-chairs shall present draft decisions for consideration and approval by the Advisory Board.

XI. Decision-making

44. Decisions of the Advisory Board will be taken by consensus by its members as laid out in paragraph 3.

45. Efforts by the co-chairs to facilitate the reaching of consensus may include:

(a) Consulting with members on draft documents, including draft decisions, prior to the meeting;

(b) Consulting with members on the relevant matter during the meeting;

(c) Providing the opportunity for members to state and/or formally record in the report on the relevant meeting their reservations regarding a particular decision without preventing consensus from being reached.

(d) Postponing the decision on the matter to a later meeting in order to allow for further exchange on the matter;

46. If all efforts at reaching consensus have been exhausted, and no consensus is reached, decisions will be taken by a four-fifths majority of the members present and voting.

47. The co-chairs, acting together and in good faith, and following consultations with all members, shall determine whether all efforts at reaching consensus in respect of a particular draft decision have been exhausted.

48. In making such a determination the co-chairs shall take into consideration:

(a) Whether consultations on the relevant matter have occurred during and/or between meetings, including between the co-chairs, without consensus being reached;

(b) Whether the subject matter of the draft decision has been considered at prior meetings without consensus being reached;

(c) Whether and how many members have indicated that they cannot join consensus on a decision.

49. Each member shall have one vote. For the purpose of this rule, “members present and voting” means members participating in the meeting (both in person and virtually) at which voting takes place and casting an affirmative or negative vote. Members abstaining from voting shall be considered as not voting for the purpose of determining the four-fifths majority.

XII. Process for intersessional decision making:

50. The Advisory Board may take a decision without meeting on an extraordinary basis when, in the judgment of both co-chairs, such a decision should not be postponed to the next Advisory Board meeting. In such a case, the secretariat, with the approval of the co-chairs, shall transmit to Board members a proposed decision with the invitation to approve the decision on a non-objection basis for a prescribed period (generally 21 days but in urgent cases no less than one week). Copies of such a proposal shall be provided to the representatives for their information.

51. The provisions on quorum and other rules set forth in these rules of procedure shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the aforementioned procedure.

52. In the absence of an objection by an Advisory Board member within the prescribed period, the decision will be deemed taken upon the expiration of the prescribed period. If an objection is received within the prescribed period, the co-chairs will work to resolve the concerns of the objecting Board member(s) directly. If the objecting Board member(s) uphold their objection following discussion with the co-chairs, the proposed decision will be considered by the Board at the following Advisory Board meeting. The secretariat shall circulate all written comments and objections to Advisory Board members and representatives and notify all members and representatives of the action taken pursuant to this paragraph.

53. Decisions approved between meetings shall be recorded in the report of the following Board meeting.

XIII. Use of electronic means of communication

54. The Advisory Board may use electronic means of communication to facilitate work and to take decisions in accordance with guidelines to be agreed by the Advisory Board. The secretariat shall ensure that a secure and dedicated web interface is established and maintained to facilitate the work of the Board.

XIV. Participation of observers in meetings

55. Advisory Board meetings will be open to observers, unless otherwise decided by the Advisory Board, and the Advisory Board will invite observers from relevant constituted bodies, civil society organizations and other organizations, bodies, networks and experts to attend its meetings in order to provide technical expertise and inputs, as appropriate, to the Advisory Board for its deliberations.

56. The Advisory Board may decide on additional procedures for the participation of observers.

XV. Transparency

57. The decisions and products of the Advisory Board shall be made publicly available on the Santiago network website unless decided otherwise by the Advisory Board.

XVI. Working language

58. English shall be the working language of the Advisory Board.

XVII. Modifications to the rules of procedure

59. Decisions to propose modifications to these rules of procedure, except with respect to matters decided in decision 12/CMA.4, may be taken by the Advisory Board by consensus with a view to recommending them to the governing body or bodies through the subsidiary bodies for consideration and adoption.

Decision -/ CP.29

Long-term climate finance

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Articles 4 and 11 of the Convention,

Also recalling decisions 1/CP.16, paragraphs 2, 4 and 97–101, 2/CP.17, paragraphs 126–132, 4/CP.18, 3/CP.19, 5/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 5/CP.21, 7/CP.22, 6/CP.23, 3/CP.24, 1/CP.26, 4/CP.26, 13/CP.27 and 4/CP.28,

1. *Recalls* the commitment of developed country Parties, in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation, to a goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion per year by 2020 to address the needs of developing country Parties in accordance with paragraph 98 of decision 1/CP.16;
2. *Also recalls* that, in accordance with paragraph 53 of decision 1/CP.21, developed country Parties reaffirmed the continuation of their existing collective mobilization goal through 2025 in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation;
3. *Notes with appreciation* the second report of the Standing Committee on Finance on progress towards achieving the goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion per year to address the needs of developing countries in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation¹ and the key findings presented therein, as well as the executive summary thereof² and the recommendations therein;
4. *Takes note* of the activities referred to in paragraph 10 of decision 6/CP.23, otherwise known as the Needs-based Finance project;
5. *Welcomes* the deliberations at the sixth biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance and *looks forward* to the summary thereof, to be prepared by the President of the twenty-ninth session of the Conference of the Parties for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025);
6. *Takes note* of the efforts undertaken by Parties at this session and *looks forward* to continuing deliberations on this matter at the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties.

¹ Standing Committee on Finance. 2024. *Second report on progress towards achieving the goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion per year to address the needs of developing countries in the context of meaningful mitigation actions and transparency on implementation*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/bodies/constituted-bodies/standing-committee-on-finance-scf/progress-report>.

² FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.3–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.3.

Decision -/CP.29

Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Articles 4 and 11 of the Convention,

Also recalling decisions 12/CP.2, 12/CP.3, 1/CP.16, paragraph 112, 2/CP.17, paragraphs 120–121, 5/CP.18, 5/CP.19, 7/CP.19, 6/CP.20, 6/CP.21, 8/CP.22, 7/CP.23, 8/CP.23, 4/CP.24, 11/CP.25, 5/CP.26, 14/CP.27, 5/CMA.2, 10/CMA.3, 14/CMA.4, 5/CP.28 and 9/CMA.5,

Taking note of decision -/CMA.6,¹

1. *Expresses gratitude* to the Standing Committee on Finance and *welcomes* the work of the Committee in 2024;
2. *Also welcomes* the report of the Standing Committee on Finance for 2024² and *notes* the workplan of the Committee for 2025;³
3. *Notes* the importance of allocating time for consideration of the work of the Standing Committee on Finance;
4. *Notes with appreciation* the sixth Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows of the Standing Committee on Finance,⁴ including the summary and recommendations thereof;⁵
5. *Notes* the Standing Committee on Finance's update to its operational definition of climate finance in the context of preparing the sixth Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows;
6. *Also notes* that global climate finance flows were 63 per cent higher in 2021–2022 than in 2019–2020, reaching an annual average of USD 1.3 trillion, *acknowledges* that more than three quarters of those flows were in Eastern Asia, Northern and Western Europe and Northern America and *recognizes* the need to scale up climate finance flows in other regions;
7. *Notes with appreciation* the second report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement,⁶ including the executive summary and recommendations thereof;⁷
8. *Notes* the key finding from the report referred to in paragraph 7 above that nationally determined contributions from 142 Parties contain a total of 5,760 needs, of which 48 per cent are costed needs reported by 98 Parties, amounting to a cumulative USD 5.012–6.852

¹ Draft decision entitled "Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance" proposed under agenda item 11(b) of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session.

² FCCC/CP/2024/6–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8.

³ FCCC/CP/2024/6–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8, annex II.

⁴ Standing Committee on Finance. 2024. *Sixth Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/resources/biennial-assessment-and-overview-of-climate-finance-flows>.

⁵ FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.1–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.1.

⁶ Standing Committee on Finance. 2024. *Second report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at <https://unfccc.int/topics/climate-finance/workstreams/needs-report>.

⁷ FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.2–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.2.

trillion out to 2030, or USD 455–584 billion annually across different time frames ending by 2030;⁸

9. *Highlights* that information based on national reporting does not reflect the entirety of needs across developing country Parties and regions and is limited by significant data challenges and gaps, including differences and gaps in information on the processes and approaches used in determining needs; data being expressed for varying time frames, with the majority in a 2020–2030 time frame, and differences in methodologies and underlying assumptions used for identifying and costing needs, and *also highlights* that the number of needs and costed needs compiled from national reports should not be used to draw comparisons of actual needs across regions;

10. *Invites* relevant stakeholders to make use of the information contained in the second report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement when supporting developing country Parties in identifying and costing needs, prioritizing the developing country Parties and regions that have not been able to identify and cost needs and that are significantly and proportionally underrepresented in the report;

11. *Notes with appreciation* the report on the common practices regarding climate finance definitions, reporting and accounting methods,⁹ including the executive summary thereof;¹⁰

12. *Recognizes* the complexities associated with the diversity of definitions of climate finance in use by Parties and non-Party stakeholders in relation to ensuring clear, aggregated accounting and reporting of climate finance;

13. *Reaffirms* that the Standing Committee on Finance will continue its ongoing technical work on operational definitions of climate finance in its future biennial assessments and overviews of climate finance flows;¹¹

14. *Welcomes* the 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance on accelerating climate action and resilience through gender-responsive finance and *notes with appreciation* the summary report thereon;¹²

15. *Expresses sincere gratitude* to the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania for its generous hospitality in hosting the 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance;

16. *Expresses gratitude* to the Governments of Australia, Austria and Canada for their financial support for the 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance;

17. *Notes* the continued importance of promoting gender-responsive climate action, including in the context of climate finance, and *highlights* the relevance of improving data and information on the gender-responsiveness of climate finance;

18. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts of the Standing Committee on Finance to strengthen its engagement with stakeholders in the context of its workplan, including UNFCCC constituted bodies and private sector and other entities outside the UNFCCC process, and *encourages* the Committee to continue such efforts in 2025, including, as appropriate, with people and communities on the front line of climate change, including Indigenous Peoples and local communities;

19. *Also encourages* the Standing Committee on Finance to continue enhancing its efforts to ensure gender-responsiveness in implementing its workplan and *requests* Parties to consider gender balance and geographical representation when nominating members to the Committee;

⁸ As identified in the first needs determination report, the starting points for costed needs out to 2030 in nationally determined contributions vary significantly, with some indicating a 2015–2030 time frame and others 2020–2030.

⁹ Standing Committee on Finance. 2024. *Report on common practices regarding climate finance definitions, reporting and accounting methods*. Bonn: UNFCCC. Available at https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Common_Practices_Technical_Report.pdf.

¹⁰ FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.4–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.4.

¹¹ In accordance with decision 3/CP.19, para. 11.

¹² FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.5–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.5.

20. *Recalls* concerns about the working modalities of the Standing Committee on Finance for preparing the draft guidance for the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism in accordance with its mandate, and the request to Parties and other constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement to provide elements for the draft guidance well in advance of future sessions of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to enable the Committee to fulfil its mandate in this regard;¹³

21. *Expresses appreciation* to the Governments of Australia, Austria, Canada and Japan for their financial contributions for the work of the Standing Committee on Finance in 2024;

22. *Requests* the Standing Committee on Finance to report to the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025) on its progress in implementing its workplan for 2025;

23. *Also requests* the Standing Committee on Finance to consider the guidance provided to it in other relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties.

¹³ See decisions 14/CP.27, para. 13, and 5/CP.28, para. 13.

Decision -/CP.29

Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 3/CP.17, annex,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session,¹ including the information on action taken by the Board of the Green Climate Fund in response to guidance received from the Conference of the Parties, while noting that there is room for improvement;
2. *Also welcomes* the pledges and contributions to the second replenishment of the Green Climate Fund since the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties, *acknowledges* the efforts of those that have substantially increased their commitments and *acknowledges with appreciation* the role of the Government of the United Arab Emirates and the Presidency of the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties in achieving the highest pledges in the Fund's history, surpassing previous replenishments;
3. *Welcomes*:
 - (a) The increase in the number of funding proposals approved, which brings the total amount approved by the Board to USD 15.9 billion to support the implementation of 286 adaptation and mitigation projects and programmes in 133 developing countries;
 - (b) The increase in the number of entities accredited by the Board, which brings the total number of accredited entities to 139, of which 89 are direct access entities;
 - (c) The increase in the approval of grants for readiness support for national adaptation plans and other adaptation planning processes, bringing the total number of grants approved for readiness support for national adaptation plans and other adaptation planning processes to 115;
 - (d) The adoption by the Board of a policy for results-based payments for activities referred to in paragraph 70 of decision 1/CP.16;²
 - (e) The continued collaboration of the Board with the Climate Technology Centre and Network and the Technology Executive Committee;
 - (f) The USD 2.1 billion increase in commitments and addition of 34 new projects to the Green Climate Fund portfolio in 2023, of which USD 917.4 million was committed to 10 new private sector projects (representing 44 per cent of the 2023 programming volume), bringing the total commitments to the private sector portfolio to over USD 5 billion, which had been disbursed to 60 private sector projects and was expected to mobilize an additional USD 17.5 billion, of which USD 1.6 billion in private equity, thus increasing mobilizing five and a half times the Fund's capital at the fund level and at least an equal amount at the downstream portfolio investment level, with each Green Climate Fund dollar to the private sector in some mitigation sectors expected to mobilize six times the committed capital at the fund level;
 - (g) The Board's ongoing implementation of the Strategic Plan for the Green Climate Fund 2024–2027,³ which includes making efforts to enhance access to climate finance for developing countries and accelerating the provision of support to developing countries with a view to maximizing the impact;

¹ FCCC/CP/2024/3 and Add.1.

² Green Climate Fund Board document GCF/B.40/11.

³ Contained in annex III to Green Climate Fund document GCF/B.36/21.

(h) The ongoing efforts of the Green Climate Fund, in collaboration with the Global Environment Facility, the Adaptation Fund and the Climate Investment Funds, to enhance access to climate finance in line with paragraph 5 below with a view to scaling up successful projects, maximizing their impact and strengthening coherence;

(i) The Board's focus on the accreditation of direct access entities, particularly national and regional entities in underserved countries and regions, in line with the Strategic Plan for the Green Climate Fund 2024–2027;

(j) The enhanced efficiency measures of the Green Climate Fund for the approval of readiness grants, including its support for the formulation of national adaptation plans and other adaptation planning processes;

(k) The work of the Indigenous Peoples Advisory Group in enhancing support and inclusivity within Green Climate Fund operations, including through improved channels of engagement;

(l) The progress of the Green Climate Fund in attracting and mobilizing private sector investment as a means of leveraging and enhancing the impact and reach of climate finance in developing countries;

(m) The ongoing efforts of the Green Climate Fund to enhance its regional engagement, including by exploring regional presence in all developing country regions;

4. *Notes* the vision announced by the Executive Director of the Green Climate Fund for the Fund to be able to efficiently manage USD 50 billion in capital by 2030;

5. *Invites* the Board to ensure that efforts to enhance coherence and complementarity do not restrict the access of developing countries to resources or reduce the finance available to them;

6. *Requests* the Board to continue to streamline and simplify access to funding by reducing median times taken during the second replenishment of the Green Climate Fund to process accreditation, readiness, and standard proposal approval process and simplified approval process proposals from review to first disbursement, relative to the first replenishment, with an emphasis on reducing processing time for funding proposals in line with the Strategic Plan for the Green Climate Fund 2024–2027;

7. *Also requests* the Board to continue considering ways to better serve different regions in a geographically balanced manner, including by exploring regional presence in all developing country regions in line with the Governing Instrument for the Green Climate Fund;⁴

8. *Further requests* the Board to consider taking measures to ensure that the monitoring and accountability requirements for procedures after accreditation are fit for purpose and take into account the capacity constraints of direct access entities;

9. *Invites* the Board to consider how to strengthen direct access, including through tailored approaches that address needs and priorities and are consistent with national institutional arrangements and address capacity gaps in consultation with nationally designated authorities;

10. *Encourages* the Board to continue supporting adaptation action, including the implementation of national adaptation plans and the projects, policies and programmes identified therein, in line with the Strategic Plan for the Green Climate Fund 2024–2027;

11. *Urges* the Board to continue strengthening efforts to maintain a balance between funding for mitigation and adaptation in the overall portfolio, as per its Governing Instrument;

12. *Encourages* the Green Climate Fund to continue collaborating with the Climate Technology Centre and Network to enhance access to technology for developing countries, maximize impact and strengthen coherence;

⁴ Decision 3/CP.17, annex.

13. *Invites* the Board to consider areas for improvement in the context of the gender-responsiveness of the work of the Green Climate Fund, taking into account relevant insights, including from the report of the 2024 Standing Committee on Finance Forum on accelerating climate action and resilience through gender-responsive climate finance;⁵
14. *Urges* the Board to adopt an updated gender action plan for the second replenishment of the Green Climate Fund, noting the previous plan for 2020–2023,⁶ and to actively contribute to the implementation of activities under the UNFCCC gender action plan once the gender action plan has been adopted;
15. *Also urges* the Board to continue incorporating into its decision-making consideration of people and communities on the front line of climate change, including Indigenous Peoples and local communities, in line with the policies of the Green Climate Fund;
16. *Encourages* the Board to support the increased use of alternative financial instruments and structures with a view to increasing public and private finance, in line with the Board’s risk appetite statement, for mitigation and adaptation projects in developing countries in line with the Board’s policy;
17. *Reiterates* its request⁷ to the Board to strengthen monitoring and reporting of disbursements for, and impacts arising from, inter alia, multi-country activities on a per-country basis in a manner consistent with the integrated results management framework;⁸
18. *Decides* to modify the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties and the Green Climate Fund,⁹ as outlined in the annex, for consideration and approval by the Board before the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2025), thereby making the revised arrangements effective upon the Board’s approval, and ensuring that the subsequent guidance from the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement is provided to the Green Climate Fund annually until their thirty-first (November 2026) and eighth (November 2026) sessions respectively, and biennially thereafter, and also at sessions held in the year immediately preceding the initiation of discussions on new replenishments;
19. *Confirms* that guidance may be provided outside the biennial cycle referred to in the modified arrangements outlined in the annex, upon request by a Party, consistent with rules 9–13 of the draft rules of procedure¹⁰ being applied, as well as at each session preceding the final year of each replenishment of the Green Climate Fund;
20. *Invites* Parties to submit views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Green Climate Fund via the submission portal¹¹ no later than 16 weeks prior to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties;
21. *Requests* the Standing Committee on Finance to take into consideration the submissions referred to in paragraph 20 above in preparing its draft guidance for the Green Climate Fund for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session (November 2025);
22. *Also requests* the Board of the Fund to include in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties information on the steps it has taken to implement the guidance provided in this decision;

⁵ FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.5–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.5.

⁶ See Green Climate Fund Board decision B.24/12.

⁷ Decision 6/CP.28, para. 13.

⁸ See Green Climate Fund Board decision B.29/01.

⁹ Contained in decision 5/CP.19, annex.

¹⁰ FCCC/CP/1996/2.

¹¹ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

23. *Takes note* of decision -/CMA.6¹² and *decides* to transmit to the Green Climate Fund the guidance from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement contained in paragraphs 2–8 of that decision.¹³

¹² Draft decision entitled “Guidance to the Green Climate Fund” proposed under agenda sub-item 11(c) of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session.

¹³ In accordance with decision 1/CP.21, para. 61.

Annex

Modifications to the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties and the Green Climate Fund¹

Paragraph 3

For the existing paragraph 3 *substitute*

3. The COP will communicate guidance to the GCF:
 - (a) Annually after each of its sessions, until the end of 2026, and biennially thereafter, after every other session;
 - (b) After each of its sessions immediately preceding the final year of each replenishment of the Green Climate Fund;
 - (c) Where applicable, after any of its sessions not referred to in paragraph 3(a–b) above, should the COP decide to do so.

Paragraph 16

For the existing paragraph 16 *substitute*

16. The COP may request additional information from the Green Climate Fund via its guidance.

¹ Contained in decision 5/CP.19, annex.

Decision -/CP.29

Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Notes* the report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session,¹ including the responses of the Global Environment Facility to previous guidance received from the Conference of the Parties, and *welcomes* the approval by the Council of the Global Environment Facility of several work programmes;
2. *Invites* the Global Environment Facility, in the context of programming for the climate change focal area under its ninth replenishment, to consider, inter alia:
 - (a) Working with developing countries on ways of incorporating just transition elements into national climate plans and programmes;
 - (b) Working with developing countries on establishing nationally determined mechanisms to facilitate coordination of support received;
 - (c) Ways of increasing the contribution of the Global Environment Facility project portfolio to adaptation, as appropriate, in line with its mandate;
 - (d) Supporting the development of pipelines of projects in line with national plans and strategies;
 - (e) Ways of supporting developing countries in their efforts to strengthen institutional capacity and/or arrangements, as appropriate, for climate action, in line with needs and priorities of developing country Parties;
 - (f) Consulting with the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network on technology-related elements of the programming;
 - (g) Continuing to provide technical support for developing country Parties for their preparation of national communications, recognizing that such support is based on technical considerations and should enhance the technical capacity of countries;
3. *Welcomes* the ongoing efforts undertaken by the Global Environment Facility, in collaboration with the Green Climate Fund, the Adaptation Fund and the Climate Investment Funds, with a view to enhancing developing countries' access to climate finance, scaling up successful projects, maximizing the impact of climate finance and strengthening coherence and *invites* the Global Environment Facility to ensure that efforts to enhance coherence and complementarity among climate funds do not restrict the access of developing countries to resources or reduce the finance available to them;
4. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, in administering the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, to contribute to improving the coherence of and coordination across the funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage in line with decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5;
5. *Also requests* the Global Environment Facility to continue ensuring that its efforts to enhance coherence and complementarity with other climate funds do not result in restricted access to resources by developing countries or reduced availability of finance for them;
6. *Urges* the Global Environment Facility to ensure that a broad range of implementing agencies are engaged in its programming in order to reduce concentration of projects among

¹ FCCC/CP/2024/8 and Add.1.

few implementing agencies and *also urges* the Global Environment Facility, in the context of its review of the Global Environment Facility partnership, to consider national and regional entities in developing countries in all regions, with a focus on underserved regions, when expanding the number of implementing agencies;

7. *Further urges* the Global Environment Facility to consider ways of strengthening local capacities and country ownership in its provision of support;

8. *Notes with concern* the absence of a pledging session for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund at this session of the Conference of the Parties owing to the small number of pledges, highlighting the importance of increased support for both Funds, and recalling paragraph 8 of decision 17/CP.27, while acknowledging approval of the largest ever Least Developed Countries Fund and Special Climate Change Fund work programme in fiscal year 2024, with USD 382.32 million allocated to 31 projects and programmes under the Least Developed Countries Fund and USD 24.87 million to five projects under the Special Climate Change Fund, totalling USD 407.19 million across 36 projects and programmes;

9. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility to further streamline the processes of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund to simplify access for eligible countries, as appropriate;

10. *Welcomes* the ongoing collaboration of the Global Environment Facility with the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network and *encourages* the Global Environment Facility to consider opportunities for scaling up programmes focused on technology and innovation;

11. *Invites* the Global Environment Facility to consider areas for improvement in the context of the gender-responsiveness of its work, taking into account relevant insights, including the summary report of the 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance on accelerating climate action and resilience through gender-responsive finance;²

12. *Encourages* the Global Environment Facility to work to ensure that all its implementing agencies fully comply with its policy on gender equality³ in implementing climate projects funded by the Global Environment Facility in order to help ensure equal opportunities for women and men in terms of participating in, contributing to and benefiting from activities financed by the Global Environment Facility;

13. *Also encourages* the Global Environment Facility to clearly outline in its work programmes how Indigenous Peoples as well as local communities can meaningfully engage in the development of Global Environment Facility programmes and projects and benefit therefrom;

14. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility, in administering the Least Developed Countries Fund, to continue facilitating the smooth transition of developing countries graduating from least developed country status by continuing to provide approved funding through the Fund until the completion of projects approved by the Least Developed Countries Fund Council prior to those countries' graduation from least developed country status and *also requests* the Global Environment Facility to consider developing further measures to help ensure this smooth transition for recently graduated least developed countries;

15. *Further requests* the Global Environment Facility to continue to support the strengthening of institutional arrangements and the building of capacity in developing countries with a view to facilitating improved access to and use of Global Environment Facility resources, facilitating knowledge-sharing and South–South learning on Global Environment Facility projects and exploring areas for further collaboration;

16. *Decides* to modify the memorandum of understanding between the Conference of the Parties and the Global Environment Facility,⁴ as outlined in the annex, for consideration and approval by the Council of the Global Environment Facility before the thirtieth session of the

² FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.5–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.5.

³ Global Environment Facility document SD/PL/02.

⁴ Contained in decision 12/CP.2, annex.

Conference of the Parties (November 2025), thereby making the revised memorandum of understanding effective upon the Council's approval, and ensuring that the subsequent guidance from the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement is provided to the Global Environment Facility annually until their thirty-first (November 2026) and eighth (November 2026) sessions respectively, and biennially thereafter, and also at sessions held in the year immediately preceding the initiation of discussions on new replenishments;

17. *Confirms* that guidance may be provided outside the biennial cycle referred to in the modification to the memorandum of understanding as outlined in the annex upon request by a Party consistent with rules 9–13 of the draft rules of procedure⁵ being applied, as well as at each session preceding the final year of each replenishment of the Global Environment Facility;

18. *Invites* Parties to submit views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Global Environment Facility via the submission portal⁶ no later than 16 weeks prior to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties;

19. *Requests* the Standing Committee on Finance to take into consideration the submissions referred to in paragraph 18 above in preparing its draft guidance for the Global Environment Facility for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its seventh session (November 2025);

20. *Also requests* the Global Environment Facility to include in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties information on the steps it has taken to implement the guidance provided in this decision;

21. *Takes note* of decision -/CMA.6⁷ and *decides* to transmit to the Global Environment Facility the guidance from the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement contained in paragraphs 2–6 of that decision.⁸

⁵ FCCC/CP/1996/2.

⁶ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

⁷ Draft decision entitled “Guidance to the Global Environment Facility” proposed under agenda sub-item 11(d) of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session.

⁸ In accordance with decision 1/CP.21, para. 61.

Annex

Modification to the memorandum of understanding between the Conference of the Parties and the Council of the Global Environment Facility

Paragraph 3

For the existing paragraph 3 *substitute*

3. The Conference of the Parties will communicate to the Council of the Global Environment Facility any policy guidance approved by the Conference of the Parties concerning the Financial Mechanism:

(a) Annually after each of its sessions, until the end of 2026, and biennially thereafter, after every other session;

(b) After each of its sessions immediately preceding the final year of each replenishment of the Global Environment Facility;

(c) Where applicable, after any session not referred to in paragraph 3(a–b) above, should the Conference of the Parties decide to do so.

Decision -/CP.29

Report of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage and guidance to the Fund

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4; and 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage for 2024¹ and the information therein;
2. *Notes* the following information and actions of the Board presented in the report:
 - (a) The selection by the Board of the Philippines as the host country of the Board through an open, transparent and competitive process, and the conclusion of the host country agreement between the Philippines and the Board;
 - (b) The approval by the Board of the draft of the arrangements, as developed by the Standing Committee on Finance, to be concluded between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board consistently with the Governing Instrument of the Fund;²
 - (c) The prompt selection of the Executive Director of the Fund by the Board through a merit-based, open and transparent process;
 - (d) The confirmation by the Board that the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 can be met during an interim period of four years;
 - (e) The decision of the Board to launch an independent assessment of the performance of the World Bank as host of the Fund's secretariat³ no later than at the first meeting of the Board in 2027 and to report on the outcomes thereof to the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement no later than at their thirty-third (2028) and tenth sessions (2028) respectively;
3. *Welcomes* the rapid progress of the Board in operationalizing the Fund;
4. *Notes with appreciation* the confirmation by the World Bank of its ability and willingness to operationalize the Fund as a World Bank hosted financial intermediary fund for the interim period referred to in paragraph 2(d) above, as well as that the World Bank took the steps necessary to promptly operationalize the Fund as a financial intermediary fund; submitted to the Board of the Fund within eight months after the conclusion of the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties the relevant financial intermediary fund documentation, approved by the World Bank Board of Directors, including a hosting agreement between the Board of the Fund and the World Bank, based on consultations with and guidance from the Board of the Fund; and established a new, dedicated and independent secretariat hosted by the World Bank to service the Fund;
5. *Welcomes* the confirmation by the Board of the Fund that the conditions set out in paragraph 20 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 can be met by the World Bank during the interim period referred to in paragraph 2(d) above, and the signing of the agreements between the Board of the Fund and the World Bank to operationalize the Fund as a World Bank hosted financial intermediary fund;
6. *Welcomes with appreciation* that the Government of the Philippines promptly conferred the Board of the Fund with the legal personality and the legal capacity as necessary

¹ FCCC/CP/2024/9–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/13 and Add.1.

² Annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

³ Pursuant to paras. 23–24 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5.

for discharging its roles and functions, in particular the legal capacity to negotiate, conclude and enter into a hosting arrangement with the World Bank as interim trustee and host of the Fund's secretariat;

7. *Expresses appreciation* to the Governments of Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, the Bahamas, Barbados, Eswatini, Kenya and Togo for offering to host the Board of the Fund and to confer it with the necessary legal personality and legal capacity;

8. *Also expresses appreciation* to the secretariats of the UNFCCC and the Green Climate Fund and the United Nations Development Programme for jointly forming the interim secretariat for the Fund and providing support, including administrative support, to the Board of the Fund during the transitional period until the establishment of the independent secretariat and *looks forward* to a smooth and cost-effective transition of the interim secretariat's functions under the new, dedicated and independent secretariat;

9. *Welcomes* the financial pledges made to the Fund by the Governments of Australia, Austria, Estonia, Luxembourg, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand and Sweden and the government of the Walloon Region of Belgium, which, together with the other pledges mentioned in table 2 of the annex to document FCCC/CP/2024/9–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/13, amount to the equivalent of USD [x] million;

10. *Notes* the importance of converting pledges to contributions in a timely manner, *urges* the conversion of pledges as soon as possible, and *requests* the Board to engage with the relevant Parties for the timely conversion of pledges to fully executed contribution agreements or arrangements to increase the predictability of resources for the Fund;

11. *Expresses gratitude* to the Government of Japan for disbursing USD 10 million towards the operationalization of the Fund;

12. *Expresses appreciation* to the Governments of the United Arab Emirates, the Republic of Korea and Azerbaijan for hosting the 1st, 2nd and 3rd meetings respectively of the Board of the Fund;

13. *Welcomes* the prompt selection and appointment of Ibrahima Cheikh Diong as the Executive Director of the Fund through a merit-based, open and transparent process;

14. *Also welcomes* the launch of the annual high-level dialogue on coordination and complementarity at a high-level event, organized by the Presidency of the twenty-ninth session of the Conference of the Parties and the Board of the Fund, held on the margins of the World Leaders Climate Action Summit in conjunction with the twenty-ninth session of the Conference of the Parties and the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement;

15. *Further welcomes* the adoption by the Board of the Fund of its workplan for 2024–2025,⁴ which is aimed at implementing the provisions of the Governing Instrument of the Fund with a view to approving funding decisions as soon as possible, developing operational procedures and policies for delivering on the mandate of the Fund, and ensuring appropriate safeguards, and *looks forward* to the timely implementation of the workplan;

16. *Notes with appreciation* the Board's timeline in its workplan for preparing a long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy and plan for the Fund by the end of 2025, guided by paragraph 12 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 and paragraphs 54–56 of the Governing Instrument of the Fund;

17. *Affirms* the need to promote efforts that enhance coherence and complementarity of the Fund with new and existing arrangements for responding to loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change and *welcomes* the inclusion of a target in the workplan of the Board to develop a complementarity and coherence framework in 2025;

18. *Invites* Parties to submit views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage via the submission portal⁵ no later than 10 weeks prior to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2025);

⁴ Board decision B.2/D.10; the workplan is contained in annex VII to Board document FLD/B.2/17.

⁵ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

19. *Requests* the Standing Committee on Finance to take into consideration the submissions referred to in paragraph 18 above when preparing its draft guidance for the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session;

20. *Also requests* the Board of the Fund to include in its annual report to the Conference of the Parties information on the steps it has taken to implement the guidance provided in this decision.

Decision -/CP.29

Arrangements between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Article 11 of the Convention and Article 9, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement,

Also recalling paragraphs 2–3 of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4; and decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, as well as annex I to those decisions, which sets out the Governing Instrument of the Fund referred to in paragraph 3 of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4,

Further recalling decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, which, inter alia, designated the Fund as an operating entity of the Financial Mechanism of the Convention, also serving the Paris Agreement, and requested the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to conclude arrangements with the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage to ensure that it is accountable to and functions under the guidance of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,

Recognizing that, pursuant to paragraph 6 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board are to be consistent with decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, and the Governing Instrument of the Fund contained in annex I to those decisions,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, which requested the Standing Committee on Finance to develop the arrangements to be concluded between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board, consistently with the Governing Instrument of the Fund, for consideration and approval by the Board and subsequent consideration and approval by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session,

Also recalling paragraph 13 of the Governing Instrument of the Fund,

1. *Welcomes with appreciation* the draft arrangements between the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage as contained in the report of the Standing Committee on Finance¹ and approved by the Board;
2. *Confirms* that the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board shall be consistent with the Governing Instrument of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage, contained in annex I to decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5;
3. *Notes* that the Board has approved the arrangements, as transmitted by the Standing Committee on Finance, contained in annex IV to the report of the Board;²
4. *Approves* the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board

¹ FCCC/CP/2024/6/Add.8–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/8/Add.8.

² FCCC/CP/2024/9–FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/13.

contained in the annex, thereby bringing the arrangements into force subject to the approval of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement;

5. *Requests* the Board to report on the implementation of the arrangements referred to in paragraph 4 above in its annual reports to the Conference of the Parties, starting at its thirtieth session (November 2025), and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, starting at its seventh session (November 2025).

Annex

Arrangements between the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage

Preamble

Recalling Article 11 of the Convention and Article 9, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement,

Also recalling paragraphs 2–3 of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4; and decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, as well as annex I to those decisions, which sets out the Governing Instrument of the Fund referred to in paragraph 3 of decisions 2/CP.27 and 2/CMA.4 (hereinafter referred to as the Fund),

Recognizing that the Fund is designated as an entity entrusted with the operation of the Financial Mechanism of the Convention, also serving the Paris Agreement, which will be accountable to and function under the guidance of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, as per paragraph 5 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5,

Also recognizing that, pursuant to paragraph 6 of decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5, the arrangements between the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement and the Board of the Fund are to be consistent with decisions 1/CP.28 and 5/CMA.5 and the Governing Instrument of the Fund,

The Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (COP), the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) and the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage (hereinafter referred to as the “Board” and the “Fund” respectively) hereby agree to the following arrangements:

I. Purpose of these arrangements

1. The purpose of these arrangements is to set out the working relationship between the COP, the CMA and the Board to ensure that the Fund is accountable to and functions under the guidance of the COP and the CMA, consistently with the Governing Instrument of the Fund,¹ and receives guidance from the COP and the CMA on its policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria.

II. Determination and communication of guidance from the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

2. The Board will receive guidance from the COP and the CMA on its policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria.²

3. The Board will submit annual reports to the COP and the CMA for their consideration.³

¹ Decision 1/CP.28, annex I.

² Pursuant to para. 13(a) of the Governing Instrument.

³ Pursuant to para. 13(c) of the Governing Instrument.

4. The COP and the CMA will adopt decisions providing guidance to the Board at each of their sessions, unless otherwise decided by the COP and the CMA.
5. The COP and the CMA will provide such guidance on the basis of, inter alia, a thorough consideration of the information in the annual reports of the Board.
6. The Board may review the periodicity of the guidance from the COP and the CMA and make a recommendation thereon for consideration by the COP and the CMA.⁴

III. Conformity with guidance of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

7. The Board will take appropriate action in response to the guidance received from the COP and the CMA and will report on such action in its annual reports.

IV. Reconsideration of funding decisions

8. These arrangements reaffirm that the Board has responsibility for setting the strategic direction of the Fund and for the Fund's governance and operational modalities, policies, frameworks and work programme, including relevant funding decisions.⁵
9. The COP and the CMA may provide additional guidance to the Board to clarify policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria as they impact funding decisions.
10. Further modalities by which a particular funding decision may be reconsidered, as per Article 11, paragraph 3(b), of the Convention, will be developed by the Board, as appropriate.

V. Financial instruments

11. In its provision of finance, the Fund will take into account guidance from the COP and the CMA, pursuant to paragraphs 57–59 of the Governing Instrument.

VI. Annual reports of the Board to the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

12. The Board will include in its annual reports to the COP and the CMA:
 - (a) Information on implementation of policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria, including information on action taken by the Board in response to guidance provided by the COP and the CMA;
 - (b) A synthesis of the different activities under implementation and a list of the activities approved, as well as a financial report;
 - (c) Information on all activities financed by the Fund;
 - (d) Action taken to develop, operate and review the resource allocation system referred to in paragraphs 60–61 of the Governing Instrument;
 - (e) Any reports of the independent evaluations of the performance of the Fund referred to in paragraphs 64–65 of the Governing Instrument;
 - (f) Information on how it has drawn on expert and technical advice, including from the relevant constituted bodies established under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as appropriate;

⁴ Pursuant to para. 14 of the Governing Instrument.

⁵ Pursuant to para. 15 of the Governing Instrument.

(g) Information on the high-level dialogue referred to in paragraph 11 of annex II to decisions 1/CP.28 and 1/CMA.5, as described in paragraph 12 of annex II to those decisions;

(h) Information on action taken to enhance coordination and complementarity pursuant to paragraphs 51–53 of the Governing Instrument, as well as recommendations to the COP and the CMA pursuant to paragraph 22(s) of the Governing Instrument.

13. The Board is encouraged to include information in its annual reports on how it has established consultative forums to engage and communicate with stakeholders, pursuant to paragraph 28 of the Governing Instrument, and how it has developed and managed mechanisms to promote the input and participation of stakeholders, pursuant to paragraph 29 of the Governing Instrument.

14. The COP and the CMA may request the Board to provide additional information in its annual reports.

VII. Determination of funding necessary and available

15. The Board will include information in its annual reports to the COP and the CMA on its long-term fundraising and resource mobilization strategy, as appropriate.⁶

VIII. Periodic review of the Fund

16. Pursuant to paragraph 66 of the Governing Instrument, the Fund will be subject to periodic reviews conducted by the COP and the CMA, which will be informed by, inter alia, the results of the independent evaluation of the performance of the Fund referred to in paragraph 64 of the Governing Instrument and the annual reports of the Board to the COP and the CMA.

IX. Amendments to the Governing Instrument

17. The Board may recommend amendments to the Governing Instrument for consideration by the COP and the CMA.⁷

X. Termination of the Fund

18. The Board may recommend the termination of the Fund for consideration by the COP and the CMA.⁸

XI. Cooperation between the secretariat of the Fund and the UNFCCC secretariat, and representation of the Board in sessions of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

19. The secretariat of the Fund may, as necessary and subject to the direction of the Board of the Fund, cooperate and exchange views with the UNFCCC secretariat on matters relevant to the operation of the Financial Mechanism of the Convention and the Paris Agreement, including implementation of these arrangements between the COP, the CMA and the Board, coordination with other international financing channels and funding arrangements, as appropriate, and participation of representatives in sessions of the COP and the CMA.

⁶ Pursuant to para. 56 of the Governing Instrument.

⁷ Pursuant to para. 72 of the Governing Instrument.

⁸ Pursuant to para. 73 of the Governing Instrument.

20. The participation of representatives of the UNFCCC secretariat in meetings of the Board, and of the secretariat of the Fund in sessions of the COP and the CMA, is to be governed by the rules of procedure of the Board and the draft rules of procedure of the COP respectively.

XII. Final clauses

21. These arrangements can only be modified by mutual written consent of the COP, the CMA and the Board.

22. These arrangements are effective upon approval by the Board and subsequent approval by the COP and the CMA.

23. These arrangements may only be terminated by mutual written consent of the COP, the CMA and the Board.

Decision -/CP.29

Enhancing climate technology development and transfer through the Technology Mechanism

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.17, 1/CP.21, 15/CP.22, 21/CP.22, 15/CP.23, 12/CP.24, 13/CP.24, 14/CP.25, 9/CP.26, 18/CP.27 and 9/CP.28,

1. *Welcomes with appreciation* the efforts of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network in implementing the joint work programme of the Technology Mechanism for 2023–2027¹ and *acknowledges* the progress made in executing their respective programmes and plans;
2. *Welcomes with appreciation* the enhanced collaboration and coordination between the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network, including their organization of joint events and systematic exchange of feedback on one another's work in undertaking activities² under their joint work programme for 2023–2027, and *encourages* them to continue collaboration to maximize the impacts of their work;
3. *Decides* to conduct a review of the functions³ and decide whether to extend the term⁴ of the Climate Technology Centre at its thirtieth session (November 2025), taking into account the findings of the first and second independent reviews of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network⁵ and the findings of the first periodic assessment of the effectiveness and adequacy of the support provided to the bodies of the Technology Mechanism in supporting implementation of the Paris Agreement on matters relating to technology development and transfer;⁶
4. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to initiate, at its sixty-second session (June 2025), the review referred to in paragraph 3 above with a view to recommending a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session;
5. *Invites* the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to participate in the review referred to in paragraph 4 above and to affirm this decision in this regard.

¹ Available at <https://unfccc.int/ttelear/tec/workplan>.

² In the areas of national systems of innovation, water–energy–food systems, energy systems, buildings and resilient infrastructure, business and industry, and technology needs assessments.

³ See decision 1/CP.16, para. 123.

⁴ As per decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, para. 23.

⁵ Contained in documents FCCC/CP/2017/3 and FCCC/CP/2021/3 respectively.

⁶ Contained in document FCCC/SBI/2022/13.

Decision -/CP.29

Terms of reference for the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.7 and 1/CP.21,

1. *Reaffirms* its decision to conduct the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries established under decision 2/CP.7 under the Convention;¹
2. *Adopts* the terms of reference for the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention,² as contained in the annex;
3. *Invites* Parties, constituted bodies under the Convention, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, representatives of relevant processes under the Convention and other non-Party stakeholders to submit via the submission portal³ by 28 February 2025 views on the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries based on the terms of reference contained in the annex;
4. *Requests* the secretariat to prepare a technical report, based on the submissions referred to in paragraph 3 above and the information sources referred to in paragraph 5 of the annex, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixty-second session (June 2025);
5. *Also requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its sixty-second session, to initiate the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries, in accordance with the terms of reference contained in the annex, taking into account the submissions referred to in paragraph 3 above and the technical report referred to in paragraph 4 above;
6. *Further requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to complete its work on the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention at its sixty-third session (November 2025) with a view to recommending a draft decision on the matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025).

¹ See decision 10/CP.25, para. 15.

² Developed as per decision 10/CP.25, para. 14.

³ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

Annex

Terms of reference for the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention

I. Mandate

1. At its twenty-fifth session, the Conference of the Parties requested the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), at its sixtieth session, to initiate the development of the terms of reference for the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries established under decision 2/CP.7 under the Convention for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session (November 2024).¹

II. Objective

2. The objective of the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention is to take stock of the progress in and assess the effectiveness and efficiency of the implementation of the framework in developing countries under the Convention taking into account recent developments under the Convention.

III. Review elements

3. The review elements are as follows:

(a) To take stock of progress in and assess the effectiveness of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention;

(b) To examine possible capacity gaps and challenges in addressing the implementation of priority areas² as contained in the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention, taking into account emerging needs and priorities for capacity-building;

(c) To identify lessons learned and best practices in the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention and explore ways to further enhance the implementation of capacity-building activities;

(d) To recommend ways and means to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention, taking into account recent developments in capacity-building under the Convention and the need for coherence and avoiding duplication in institutional arrangements related to capacity-building.

IV. Modalities of work

4. The fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention should draw upon the relevant reports prepared by the secretariat for consideration at SBI 62 and any additional relevant information contained in the information sources listed in chapter V below, and take into account the objective and review elements in chapters II and III above respectively.

¹ Decision 10/CP.25, para. 14.

² Decision 2/CP.7, annex, para. 17.

V. Information sources

5. Information sources that could be drawn on in the fifth comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention are, inter alia:

- (a) Submissions from Parties and observers;
 - (b) Findings from the previous comprehensive reviews of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries;
 - (c) Annual synthesis reports on the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries prepared by the secretariat;
 - (d) National reports submitted by Parties under the Convention, as applicable;
 - (e) Annual reports of the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;
 - (f) Summary reports on the meetings of the Durban Forum;
 - (g) Annual technical progress reports of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building;
 - (h) Reports of relevant bodies serving the Convention;
 - (i) Views expressed by Parties during SBI 62 and 63 (November 2025);
 - (j) Other relevant documents prepared by the secretariat.
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Decision -/CP.29

Second review of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.21, 9/CP.25, 3/CMA.2, 18/CMA.3 and 21/CMA.4,

1. *Recalls* that the Paris Committee on Capacity-building was established in decision 1/CP.21 with the aim of addressing gaps and needs, both current and emerging, in implementing capacity-building in developing country Parties and further enhancing capacity-building efforts, including with regard to coherence and coordination of capacity-building activities under the Convention;
2. *Welcomes* the annual technical progress reports of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023¹ and *takes note* of the recommendations contained therein;
3. *Reaffirms* the need to further promote efficiencies and avoid duplication of efforts in the implementation of capacity-building activities under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement;
4. *Welcomes* the synthesis report on the second review of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building;²
5. *Recognizes* that the following priority areas determined in the first review of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building³ have helped to focus and guide the work of the Committee, thereby avoiding duplication of efforts in the implementation of capacity-building activities and providing guidance on its operations, planning and implementation of work, and reporting:
 - (a) Enhancing coherence and coordination of capacity-building under the Convention with a focus on avoiding duplication of efforts, including through collaboration with bodies under and outside the Convention that engage in activities related to capacity-building, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates;
 - (b) Identifying capacity gaps and needs, both current and emerging, and recommending ways to address them;
 - (c) Promoting awareness-raising, knowledge- and information-sharing and stakeholder engagement with bodies and relevant actors under and outside the Convention, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates;
6. *Welcomes* the progress of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building in implementing its workplan for 2021–2024 in accordance with its priority areas;
7. *Also welcomes* the activities undertaken under the priority areas referred to in paragraph 5 above, including the work under the informal coordination group for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, such as the publication of its six e-booklets; the PCCB Network; and the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Capacity-building Hubs; and the work relating to the PCCB toolkit for assessing capacity gaps and needs in implementing the Paris Agreement;
8. *Decides* that the work of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building shall be guided by the priority areas set out in the annex;

¹ FCCC/SBI/2020/13, FCCC/SBI/2021/10, FCCC/SBI/2022/14 and FCCC/SBI/2023/14 respectively.

² FCCC/SBI/2024/6.

³ Decision 9/CP.25, para. 9.

9. *Also decides* that, going forward and subject to the availability of resources, the Paris Committee on Capacity-building shall conduct the activities set out in the annex in accordance with the priority areas referred to therein;
10. *Further decides* that the Paris Committee on Capacity-building shall work on any additional activities that may be assigned to it by the Conference of the Parties within its mandate, subject to the availability of resources;
11. *Decides* to extend the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for five years and to review its progress and need for extension at the thirty-fourth session of the Conference of the Parties (2029);
12. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to initiate at its sixty-eighth session (2028) the preparation of the terms of reference for the third review of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building with a view to recommending a decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-third session (2028);
13. *Also requests* the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, at its 9th meeting, to develop a workplan for the period of its extension on the basis of the priority areas and activities set out in the annex for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025);
14. *Further requests* that the workplan referred to in paragraph 13 above include core elements such as priority areas, activities, deliverables, timelines and expected results in relation to the priority areas referred to in the annex;
15. *Requests* the Paris Committee on Capacity-building to report on the expected work under its workplan and on the progress, outcomes, impacts and effectiveness of the activities in its workplan in its annual technical progress report;
16. *Also requests* the Paris Committee on Capacity-building to extend its current workplan until a new workplan is agreed;
17. *Invites* Parties and relevant institutions, as appropriate, to provide support and resources to the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for implementing its workplan in the light of the aim⁴ of the Committee.

⁴ Decision 1/CP.21, para. 71.

Annex

Priority areas and activities of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building

1. Priority area (a): enhancing coherence and coordination of capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement with a focus on avoiding duplication of efforts, including through collaboration with bodies under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement that engage in activities related to capacity-building, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates:

(a) Collating and reviewing current and planned capacity-building work of constituted bodies established under the Convention and the Paris Agreement that implement capacity-building activities in order to provide an overview of capacity-building activities, particularly by regularly convening meetings of the informal coordination group for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, and regularly sharing this information with the constituted bodies;

(b) Providing recommendations to Parties on how to improve coherence and coordination of capacity-building and avoid duplication of efforts;

(c) Liaising and engaging with bodies under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement that are engaged in implementing capacity-building activities, particularly by coordinating the PCCB Network of interested stakeholders engaged in climate-related capacity-building, with a view to sharing information on good practices, connecting experts and peers across sectors and regions, and contributing to the work of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building in fulfilling its mandate.

2. Priority area (b): identifying capacity gaps and needs, both current and emerging, and recommending ways to address them:

(a) Interacting with other constituted bodies, particularly through the informal coordination group for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, to allow the Paris Committee on Capacity-building to gather information on what they are doing to address capacity gaps and needs in areas relevant to their mandates to provide input to their work, as appropriate;

(b) Continuing efforts to gather and promote the development and dissemination of tools and methodologies for implementing capacity-building activities, in particular through the capacity-building portal;¹

(c) Collating, reviewing and sharing information on experience, good practices and lessons learned related to enhancing the ownership of developing countries of building and maintaining capacity, and providing recommendations in this regard.

3. Priority area (c): promoting awareness-raising, knowledge- and information-sharing and stakeholder engagement with bodies and relevant actors under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates:

(a) Collecting information from relevant sources, including the Durban Forum and the informal coordination group for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, on good practices, experience and lessons learned related to capacity-building, and disseminating this information, including via the capacity-building portal, with the aim of addressing gaps and needs related to implementing capacity-building;

(b) Providing recommendations to Parties on:

(i) Enhancing the sharing of good practices, experience and lessons learned related to capacity-building among relevant bodies under and outside the Convention

¹ See <https://unfccc.int/cbportal>.

and the Paris Agreement, as appropriate and in accordance with their respective mandates;

(ii) Potential areas of collaborative work with those bodies whose work is relevant to the Paris Committee on Capacity-building and its workplan, as appropriate and in accordance within their respective mandates;

(iii) How information from the Durban Forum can be utilized by bodies under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement;

(c) Organizing the annual Capacity-building Hub at the sessions of the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement;

(d) Promoting strategic stakeholder engagement through, inter alia, targeted outreach activities as set out in the workplan to foster exchange on capacity-building at the national and regional level, including through regional climate weeks, as appropriate, and subject to the availability of resources.

Decision -/CP.29

Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2024

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.17, 1/CP.21, 2/CP.22, 16/CP.22, 16/CP.23, 15/CP.24, 8/CP.25, 12/CP.26, 19/CP.27 and 11/CP.28,

1. *Takes note* of decision -/CP.29;¹
2. *Welcomes* the annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2024² and *takes note* of the recommendations therein;
3. *Invites* Parties, as appropriate, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, the constituted bodies under the Convention, United Nations organizations, observers and other stakeholders to consider the recommendations referred to in paragraph 1 above and to take any necessary action, as appropriate and in accordance with their mandates;
4. *Acknowledges* the progress of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building in delivering on its mandate to address gaps and needs, both current and emerging, in implementing capacity-building in developing country Parties and further enhancing capacity-building efforts;
5. *Also acknowledges* the work of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building in relation to enhancing coherence and coordination of capacity-building activities under the Convention, including its collaboration with other constituted bodies and stakeholders in this regard;³
6. *Welcomes* the completion of the activities under the workplan of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for 2021–2024,⁴ which is based on the priority areas and activities set out in the annex to decision 9/CP.25;
7. *Also welcomes* the continued collaboration of the Paris Committee on Capacity building with Parties and non-Party stakeholders on capacity-building for climate action, as well as on addressing cross-cutting matters, including those related to human rights, gender-responsiveness, youth, Action for Climate Empowerment, Indigenous Peoples' knowledge and local communities, such as through the PCCB Network, the informal coordination group for capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, the Durban Forum on capacity-building, the Capacity-building Hub and social media outreach;
8. *Acknowledges* the contribution of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building to the organization of the 6th Capacity-building Hub, which took place in conjunction with this session as a crucial platform for enabling effective climate action, bringing together stakeholders and facilitating collaboration, knowledge exchange and peer-to-peer learning with a view to addressing developing country capacity gaps and needs, and *requests* the secretariat, under the guidance of the Committee, to organize the 7th Capacity-building Hub, to be held at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in November 2025;
9. *Takes note* of the 2025 focus area of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, namely capacity-building for designing holistic investment strategies, bankable projects and stakeholder engagement aimed at strengthening the implementation of nationally determined

¹ Draft decision entitled “Second review of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building” proposed under agenda item 10 of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session.

² FCCC/SBI/2024/19.

³ See document FCCC/SBI/2024/19, chap. II.B.3.

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2020/13, annex I.

contributions and national adaptation plans in developing countries, as agreed on by the Committee intersessionally, based on inputs received at its 8th meeting;⁵

10. *Notes* that capacity gaps and needs pertaining to implementing the Convention still exist in developing countries;

11. *Invites* Parties and relevant institutions, as appropriate, to provide support and resources to the Paris Committee on Capacity-building for implementing its activities;

12. *Requests* that the action of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

⁵ See document FCCC/SBI/2024/19, para. 17.

Draft decision -/CP.29

Matters relating to the least developed countries

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 5/CP.7, 29/CP.7, 7/CP.9, 4/CP.10, 4/CP.11, 8/CP.13, 6/CP.16, 5/CP.17, 12/CP.18, 3/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 19/CP.21, 16/CP.24, 7/CP.25, 15/CP.26, 10/CP.27, 11/CMA.1, 19/CMA.1 and 1/CMA.5,

Recognizing the specific needs and special situations of the least developed countries under Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Convention,

Welcoming the active role played by Indigenous Peoples and local communities and diverse stakeholders, including women and youth, in national adaptation plan related efforts,

Noting the challenges faced by the least developed countries in preparing and submitting national adaptation plans, and the complexities and delays encountered by them, and the challenges they face in developing proposals and accessing financial support for implementing national adaptation plans,

Recognizing the need for new, enhanced efforts to ensure that the least developed countries have in place national adaptation plans by 2025 and have progressed in implementing them by 2030,¹

Noting that key challenges faced by the least developed countries in the process of accrediting direct access entities include limited institutional, financial and technical capacity for initiating that process and for developing project proposals for accessing funding from the Green Climate Fund,

1. *Welcomes* the efforts of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group in supporting the least developed countries in formulating national adaptation plans and its progress in updating the technical guidelines for the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans;
2. *Underscores* the importance of prompt approval and disbursement of funding for readiness projects by the Green Climate Fund for the formulation of national adaptation plans;
3. *Welcomes* the new strategy and modalities of the revised Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme of the Green Climate Fund;²
4. *Requests* the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, in collaboration with the Green Climate Fund secretariat, to continue to raise awareness among the least developed countries of the accreditation process for direct access entities and to support the least developed countries in developing a workplan for completing this process;
5. *Also requests* the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to hold its national adaptation plan writing workshops that are planned for 2025 for supporting the least developed countries in completing national adaptation plans for submission and pursuing implementation of the policies, projects and programmes identified therein as early as possible in that year, subject to the availability of resources;
6. *Encourages* the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to regularly invite the Green Climate Fund direct access entities of the least developed countries to participate in the national adaptation plan writing workshops referred to in paragraph 5 above with a view to enhancing their understanding of and building their capacity to complete the accreditation process;

¹ As per decision 1/CMA.5, para. 59.

² See <https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/readiness-strategy-2024-2027>.

7. *Welcomes* Parties' submission of national adaptation plans³ and *invites* Parties that have not done so to submit national adaptation plans and relevant strategies, including to facilitate sharing of experience, tools and approaches in relation to formulating and implementing national adaptation plans;

8. *Invites* United Nations organizations, specialized agencies and other relevant organizations, as well as bilateral and multilateral agencies, to support the implementation of national adaptation plans in the least developed countries, drawing on the work of, and where appropriate in consultation with, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, and, where possible, to consider establishing programmes for supporting the implementation of national adaptation plans, within their mandates, as appropriate, which could facilitate the provision of relevant financial and technical support to the least developed countries and the achievement of the goals referred to in paragraph 59 of decision 1/CMA.5;

9. *Decides* to conduct, in parallel with the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, the stocktake of the work of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group aimed at reviewing, at the midway point before the next review of the mandate of the Group, its progress and terms of reference;⁴

10. *Invites* Parties and relevant organizations to continue providing resources for supporting implementation of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group work programme;

11. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 5 above;

12. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

³ Available at <https://napcentral.org/submitted-NAPs> and <https://www.napcentral.org/developedcountriesnaps>.

⁴ See decision 15/CP.26, paras. 3–4.

Decision -/CP.29 -/CMP.19 -/CMA.6

Matters related to the impacts of the implementation of response measures

The Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,

Recalling Article 4 of the Convention,

Also recalling Article 2 and Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol,

Reaffirming Article 4, paragraph 15, of the Paris Agreement,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.21, 7/CP.24, 4/CP.25, 19/CP.26, 20/CP.27, 13/CP.28, 3/CMP.14, 4/CMP.15, 7/CMP.16, 7/CMP.17, 4/CMP.18, 7/CMA.1, 4/CMA.2, 23/CMA.3, 23/CMA.4 and 19/CMA.5,

Also recalling decision 1/CMA.5, paragraph 136, and decision 19/CMA.5, annex I, paragraph 1(f), which highlight the importance of promoting action to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures,

1. *Express appreciation* to the Government of Ghana for hosting the first global dialogue on the impacts of the implementation of response measures, held from 9 to 10 September 2024 in Accra;
2. *Also express appreciation* to the United Nations Development Programme for supporting the organization of the global dialogue; the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies and the secretariat for organizing the dialogue; the experts and facilitators who contributed to the event; and the Parties and observers that participated;
3. *Acknowledge* the report on the global dialogue¹ prepared by the secretariat, recognizing that it is not an exhaustive account thereof;
4. *Welcome* the annual report of the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures for 2024,² *adopt* the updated rules of procedure contained therein and *also adopt* the recommendations forwarded by the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures contained in sections I–II below, which pertain to activities 6³ and 10⁴ of the workplan of the forum and its Katowice Committee on Impacts;⁵
5. *Further adopt* the workplan of the forum and its Katowice Committee on Impacts for 2026–2030, as contained in the annex;
6. *Request* the Katowice Committee on Impacts to prepare and include in its annual report for 2025 a timeline and modalities for its implementation of each activity in the workplan referred to in paragraph 5 above;
7. *Also request* the forum to incorporate into its annual workplan the consideration of matters of process and substantive matters related to the work of the Katowice Committee on

¹ FCCC/SB/2024/10.

² FCCC/SB/2024/8.

³ Activity 6 is promoting the availability and use of guidelines and policy frameworks to assist Parties in promoting just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs within and across sectors, including training, retooling, retraining and reskilling systems and stakeholder engagement strategies.

⁴ Activity 10 is sharing experience and best practices in reporting and informing on efforts to assess and analyse the impacts of the implementation of response measures.

⁵ Contained in annex II to decisions 4/CP.25, 4/CMP.15 and 4/CMA.2.

Impacts at the sessions of the governing bodies on the basis of the annual report of the Katowice Committee on Impacts;

8. *Further request* the secretariat to support the implementation of the workplan referred to in paragraph 5 above;

9. *Take note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs 5–8 above;

10. *Request* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources;

I. Activity 6⁶ of the workplan

11. *Recognize* the variety of existing just transition frameworks, guidelines and tools;

12. *Also recognize* the importance of data availability, institutional and human capacity, and legal and regulatory frameworks, particularly for developing countries;

13. *Encourage* Parties to integrate just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs into the development and implementation of their nationally determined contributions;

II. Activity 10⁷ of the workplan

14. *Encourage* Parties to report on the social and economic consequences of response measures, in line with paragraph 90 of decision 18/CMA.1, in both a qualitative and a quantitative manner;

15. *Also encourage* Parties that have already reported on the social and economic consequences of response measures to continue and enhance such reporting in both a qualitative and a quantitative manner;

16. *Request* the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on the information on response measures reported by Parties in the biennial transparency reports and present it to the Katowice Committee on Impacts at its 13th meeting.

⁶ As footnote 3 above.

⁷ As footnote 4 above.

Annex

Workplan of the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures and its Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures for 2026–2030

<i>Activity number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Responsible actor</i>	<i>Timeline and modalities for implementation^a</i>	<i>Outputs</i>
1	Consideration of the KCI annual report by the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures (para. 5(j) of annex I to decisions 13/CP.28, 4/CMP.18 and 19/CMA.5)	Forum KCI	–	–
2	Prepare information for the technical assessment component of the global stocktake related to the impacts of the implementation of response measures with the processed outline in decision 23/CMA.3, paras. 11–12 (decision 19/CMA.1, paras. 8 and 24)	Forum KCI	–	–
3	Review of the functions, work programme and modalities of the forum and its KCI every five years, starting at SB 69 (November 2028) (para. 6 of decisions 13/CP.28, 4/CMP.18 and 19/CMA.5)	Forum KCI	–	–
4	Midterm review of this workplan, starting at SB 68 (June 2028) and to be concluded no later than SB 69	Forum KCI	–	–
5	Assess and analyse the impacts, including socioeconomic impacts, of response measures to be implemented in order to achieve all outcomes of the global stocktake and different net zero scenarios and pathways	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report Regional workshops Recommendations to the governing bodies
6	Analyse, assess and report on the impacts of measures taken to combat climate change, including cross-border impacts, recalling Article 3, paragraph 5, of the Convention	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices	Two reports Recommendations to the governing bodies

<i>Activity number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Responsible actor</i>	<i>Timeline and modalities for implementation^a</i>	<i>Outputs</i>
7	Identify and exchange experience on ways to enhance international cooperation to increase the capacity of the workforce and promote the development of emerging low- and zero-emission industries, including through the Technology Mechanism, and through education, retooling the workforce, training and retraining, and skilling and reskilling, with regard to low- and zero-emission development, and financial instruments that enable, mobilize and catalyse support	Forum KCI	(b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report Recommendations to the governing bodies
8	Facilitate the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices among Parties, the secretariat and other international organizations on conducting impact assessments	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	Summary reports In-session workshops Recommendations to the governing bodies
9	Identify ways and means of enhancing public-private partnerships to address the impacts of the implementation of response measures	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines	In-session workshop Recommendations to the governing bodies

<i>Activity number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Responsible actor</i>	<i>Timeline and modalities for implementation^a</i>	<i>Outputs</i>
10	Develop a KCI toolbox that can be customized to local circumstances, including methodologies, for Parties to use in identifying, assessing and addressing the impacts of response measures, and build capacity and share experience in relation to using the toolbox	Forum KCI	(c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops (a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	Two reports Recommendations to the governing bodies
11	Develop a case study in each of the five United Nations regions on just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs and on economic diversification and transformation in order to understand the opportunities and challenges faced in planning and implementation, and share the findings among Parties and experts	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report per region Recommendations to the governing bodies
12	Develop case studies to identify and analyse the social and economic impacts of economy-wide nationally determined contributions, covering all greenhouse gases, sectors and categories	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations	One report Recommendations to the governing bodies

<i>Activity number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Responsible actor</i>	<i>Timeline and modalities for implementation^a</i>	<i>Outputs</i>
13	Assess and compile guidelines for reporting, in the context of the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement for assessing and analysing the impact of the implementation of response measures, on Parties with economies affected by the impacts of response measures, in line with Article 4, paragraph 15, of the Paris Agreement	Forum KCI	(d) Organizing workshops (a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report One regional workshop Recommendations to the governing bodies
14	Organize an annual ministerial high-level round table on the impacts of the implementation of response measures, to be held in conjunction with sessions of the governing bodies	–	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	Summary report
15	Enhance the capacity of Parties to carry out their own assessment and analysis of and produce reports on the impacts of the implementation of response measures through training and capacity-building efforts, including existing initiatives	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report Regional workshops Recommendations to the governing bodies

<i>Activity number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Responsible actor</i>	<i>Timeline and modalities for implementation^a</i>	<i>Outputs</i>
16	Identify and exchange experience on technological solutions aimed at reducing climate change impacts and creating decent work	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	Two reports Recommendations to the governing bodies
17	Promote the availability and use of guidelines and policy frameworks to assist Parties in promoting economic diversification and just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs within and across sectors, including through training, retooling, retraining and reskilling systems and stakeholder engagement strategies	Forum KCI	(a) Building awareness and enhancing information-sharing through the exchange and sharing of experience and best practices (b) Preparing technical papers; national, regional and sector-specific case studies; concrete examples; and guidelines (c) Receiving input from and facilitating collaboration with experts, practitioners and relevant organizations (d) Organizing workshops	One report Recommendations to the governing bodies

Abbreviations: KCI = Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures, SB = sessions of the subsidiary bodies.

^a Timeline and modalities for implementation is as per paras. 6–7 of this decision. These are the modalities that may be used by the forum and its KCI to carry out the workplan.

Decision -/CP.29

Periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 2/CP.17, paragraph 167, 5/CP.25, paragraph 8, and 21/CP.27, paragraph 22,

1. *Notes* that the consideration of the continuation of periodic reviews of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it commenced at this session;
 2. *Decides* to continue consideration of this matter at its thirtieth session (November 2025).
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Decision -/CP.29

Gender and climate change

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 36/CP.7, 1/CP.16, 23/CP.18, 18/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 21/CP.22, 3/CP.23, 3/CP.25, 20/CP.26, 24/CP.27 and 15/CP.28,

Acknowledging the continuing need for gender mainstreaming through all relevant targets and goals in activities under the Convention as an important contribution to increasing their effectiveness, fairness and sustainability,

Also acknowledging the important role of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan in advancing gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls in the UNFCCC process, demonstrated by their review by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation,

Recognizing with concern that climate change impacts on women and men can often differ owing to historical and current gender inequalities and multidimensional factors and can be more pronounced in developing countries and for local communities and Indigenous Peoples,

Acknowledging that climate change is a common concern of humankind, Parties should, when taking action to address climate change, respect, promote and consider their respective obligations on human rights, the right to health, the rights of Indigenous Peoples, local communities, migrants, children, persons with disabilities and people in vulnerable situations and the right to development, as well as gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity,

Taking into account the imperatives of a just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs in accordance with nationally defined development priorities,

1. *Takes note* of the synthesis report on progress, challenges, gaps and priorities in implementing the gender action plan, and future work to be undertaken on gender and climate change¹ and the summary report on the in-session workshop, held at the sixtieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, to discuss the synthesis report² and *recognizes* the action taken by Parties, UNFCCC constituted bodies, the secretariat and observers to implement the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan;
2. *Takes note* of the reports on gender composition,³ according to which gender balance in Party delegations was achieved at the fifty-eighth and sixtieth sessions of the subsidiary bodies, women's representation in Party delegations to sessions of the governing bodies has remained the same or declined year-on-year since the twenty-fifth sessions, and progress in achieving the goal of gender balance in constituted bodies remains inconsistent;
3. *Notes* the synthesis report by the secretariat on implementation of gender-responsive climate policies, plans, strategies and action, as reported by Parties in reports and communications under the UNFCCC,⁴ and the progress reflected therein;

¹ FCCC/SBI/2024/11.

² FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.6.

³ FCCC/CP/2013/4, FCCC/CP/2014/7, FCCC/CP/2015/6, FCCC/CP/2016/4, FCCC/CP/2017/6, FCCC/CP/2018/3, FCCC/CP/2019/9, FCCC/CP/2020/3, FCCC/CP/2021/4, FCCC/CP/2022/3, FCCC/CP/2023/4 and FCCC/CP/2024/4. See <https://unfccc.int/topics/gender/workstreams/gender-action-plan/gender-balance>.

⁴ FCCC/CP/2024/5.

4. *Encourages* Parties to enhance their efforts to advance the implementation of the decisions referred to in the preamble;
5. *Acknowledges* that capacity-building, knowledge management and the sharing of experience are essential to supporting relevant actors in designing and implementing gender-responsive climate action and for increasing the effectiveness and scaling up of these measures;
6. *Recognizes* that the full, meaningful and equal participation and leadership of women in all aspects of the UNFCCC process and in national- and local-level climate policymaking and action is vital for achieving long-term climate goals⁵ and *notes* the importance of taking further steps in this regard;
7. *Acknowledges* that coherence with relevant United Nations processes, in particular the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as applicable, and within national implementation will contribute to improving the efficiency and effectiveness of efforts to integrate gender considerations into climate action;
8. *Encourages* United Nations entities to cooperate with Parties on mainstreaming gender- and age-disaggregated data in their existing policies, enabling mechanisms and programmes, across all levels of governance, and to support Parties in directly applying the best available science in the collection and analysis of data sets, including on the impacts of extreme weather and slow onset events;
9. *Invites* Parties to include information on efforts and steps taken to implement the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan in their national reporting under the UNFCCC process, as applicable;
10. *Notes* that gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation of climate policy and action can enable Parties to raise ambition, as well as enhance gender equality, and just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs in accordance with nationally defined development priorities;
11. *Decides* to extend the enhanced Lima work programme on gender for a period of 10 years;
12. *Also decides* that a review of the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender to identify progress, challenges and further work to be undertaken shall be initiated at the seventieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2029) with a view to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation concluding the review at its seventy-first session (November 2029) and recommending a draft decision thereon for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-fourth session (November 2029);
13. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to initiate the development of a new gender action plan at its sixty-second session (June 2025) taking into account the inputs to and outcome of the review of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan in 2024 and the workshops referred to in paragraphs 14 and 16 below with a view to recommending a draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirtieth session (November 2025);
14. *Also requests* the Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to organize, with the support of the secretariat, a technical workshop, to be held at the sixty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, to facilitate the design of gender action plan activities, taking into account, inter alia, the progress, challenges, gaps and priorities identified by Parties and observers during the review referred to in paragraph 13 above and the information presented in the synthesis report referred to in paragraph 1 above, with a view to informing the development of the new gender action plan referred to in paragraph 13 above;

⁵ Decision 3/CP.25.

15. *Invites* Parties and observers to submit via the submission portal⁶ by 31 March 2025 views on the format and scope of the in-session technical workshop referred to in paragraph 14 above;
16. *Decides* that other in-person or hybrid technical workshops on the topic referred to in paragraph 14 above may be held during 2025 in conjunction with existing events, such as the regional climate weeks, at the discretion of the Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation upon receiving an expression of interest from a Party to host such a workshop, while aiming to ensure inclusive and balanced geographical representation at the workshops;
17. *Encourages* Parties to appoint and provide support for a national gender and climate change focal point for climate negotiations, implementation and monitoring;
18. *Requests* all constituted bodies to continue to include in their regular reports information on progress towards integrating a gender perspective into their processes;
19. *Invites* relevant public and private entities to increase the gender-responsiveness of climate finance with a view to strengthening the capacity of women;
20. *Encourages* Parties and relevant public and private entities to strengthen the gender-responsiveness of climate finance with a view to further building the capacity of women and for implementation work under the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan, and in order to facilitate simplified access to climate finance for grass-roots women's organizations as well as for Indigenous Peoples, especially women, and local communities;
21. *Emphasizes* the urgency of scaled-up support for developing country Parties to implement the Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan, consistent with relevant provisions of the Convention;
22. *Requests* the secretariat to continue to:
 - (a) Maintain the position of senior gender focal point to retain relevant expertise and support and monitor the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan;
 - (b) Prepare an annual gender composition report and a biennial synthesis report on progress in integrating a gender perspective into constituted body processes;
 - (c) Provide capacity-building support to constituted bodies and secretariat staff in integrating a gender perspective into their respective areas of work in collaboration with relevant organizations, as appropriate;
 - (d) Facilitate coordination with other United Nations entities, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations when supporting the implementation of the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan;
 - (e) Facilitate support for building and strengthening the skills and capacities of national gender and climate change focal points;
 - (f) Support the attendance of national gender and climate change focal points at relevant mandated UNFCCC meetings, upon request and subject to available resources;
 - (g) Enhance communication and information-sharing through existing UNFCCC web-based resources and communication activities;
 - (h) Participate in the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women to strengthen the integration of gender considerations within the organization and work of the secretariat;
23. *Encourages* the secretariat to consider making sure all budget proposals have considered effects on gender equality in its own organizational structure, and to appoint gender focal points in relevant departments, provided this does not add to the overall cost but increases efficiency;

⁶ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

24. *Invites* Parties to provide support to developing country Parties for addressing gender-related action under the Convention, including in relation to the enhanced Lima work programme on gender and any subsequent gender action plan;
 25. *Encourages* Parties, the secretariat and relevant organizations, in implementing the enhanced Lima work programme on gender, to fully engage men and boys as agents and beneficiaries of change and as strategic partners and allies in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change;
 26. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraphs 14, 15, 16, 22 and 23 above;
 27. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.
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Decision -/CP.29

Administrative, financial and institutional matters

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling the UNFCCC financial procedures,¹

Also recalling decision 19/CP.28,

Having considered the information in the documents prepared by the secretariat on administrative, financial and institutional matters,²

1. *Encourages* the secretariat to refer to activities as mandated in the respective decisions within the relevant documents on administrative, financial and institutional matters, as appropriate;
2. *Expresses appreciation* to Parties that made contributions to the core budget in a timely manner;
3. *Strongly urges* Parties that have not made contributions in full to the core budget for the current and/or previous bienniums to do so without further delay and *expresses concern* regarding the high level of outstanding contributions to the core budget for the current and previous bienniums, which has resulted in difficulties with both cash flow and the effective implementation of activities;
4. *Expresses concern* about activities and events, such as the regional climate weeks, and implementation of tools, such as the virtual conference platform, that facilitate inclusive participation being cancelled due to the unpredictability in contributions to the trust fund for supplementary activities, while some elements of the secretariat work programme were substantially increased;
5. *Reiterates* that Parties will seek to approve future core budgets that include all category 1 (essential) and 2 (long-term, recurring) activities that have been mandated by the Conference of the Parties and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement;³
6. *Reiterates* that reducing earmarking and establishing longer and more flexible utilization periods would increase flexibility in using contributions to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities, which would enable the secretariat to allocate funding to the activities most in need of resources and invites those making contributions to the Trust Fund for Supplementary Activities to take this into account;⁴
7. *Expresses appreciation* for the contributions to the trust fund for participation in the UNFCCC process and the trust fund for supplementary activities received from Parties, including the contributions that allow for greater flexibility in allocation;
8. *Urges* Parties to further contribute to the trust fund for participation in the UNFCCC process in order to ensure the widest possible participation in the process in 2024–2025, and to the trust fund for supplementary activities to ensure a high level of implementation of the secretariat work programme;
9. *Reiterates appreciation* to the Government of Germany for its annual voluntary contribution to the core budget of EUR 766,938 and its special contribution of EUR 1,789,522 as Host Government of the secretariat;

¹ Decision 15/CP.1, annex I.

² FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.1, FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.2 and FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.5.

³ Decision 19/CP.28, para. 27.

⁴ Decision 23/CP.26, para. 24.

10. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue taking measures to recover Parties' outstanding contributions to the core budget;
11. *Also requests* the secretariat to increase transparency regarding the reappropriation of portions of the core budget and of funding in the trust fund for supplementary activities;
12. *Further requests* the secretariat to significantly improve the transparency of its budget management process, including by preparing quarterly reports on the extent to which the core and supplementary budgets are funded, starting in the first quarter of 2025 at the latest, and updating documents FCCC/SBI/2020/INF.3, FCCC/SBI/2019/INF.4 and FCCC/SBI/2019/INF.12 for consideration at the sixty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2025);⁵
13. *Requests* the secretariat to prepare an information document after each session of the Conference of the Parties that presents additional activities mandated at that session and their respective cost implications for the information of Parties;
14. *Notes with concern* that the documents on administrative, financial and institutional matters prepared for the sixtieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation were not made available before the start of the session and *requests* the secretariat to issue documents in a timely manner, at least four weeks before the opening of each session;
15. *Expresses concern* regarding the high number of recommendations made by the United Nations Board of Auditors that remain unimplemented and *urges* the Executive Secretary to implement the standing recommendations of the auditors as soon as possible, with at least 50 per cent implemented before the opening of the sixty-first session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (November 2024), and to continue providing information to Parties on the status of implementation of all recommendations;
16. *Encourages* the secretariat to enhance clarity on the nature of activities, whether mandated or not, in documents on the programme budget for the biennium 2026–2027 and *requests* the secretariat to consider the challenges it faces in implementing mandated activities in the programme budget for 2024–2025 when preparing the programme budget for 2026–2027;
17. *Urges* the secretariat to prioritize the delivery of mandated activities and outputs and to ensure the inclusive participation of delegates from developing country Parties in sessions of the governing and subsidiary bodies as well as in mandated events and meetings of constituted bodies, and to provide information to Parties on its efforts to do so.

⁵ Pursuant to para. 15 of decision 18/CP.24 and para. 17 of decision 23/CP.26.

Decision -/CP.29

Administrative, financial and institutional matters

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Takes note* of the information in the documents prepared by the secretariat on administrative, financial and institutional matters;¹
 2. *Expresses appreciation* to the United Nations for arranging the audit of the accounts of the Convention;
 3. *Also expresses appreciation* to the auditors for their valuable observations and recommendations.
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¹ FCCC/CP/2024/INF.1, FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.7 and Add.1, FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.9 and FCCC/SBI/2024/INF.11.