

Outcomes of the 38th Meeting of the Standing Committee on Finance

11 September 2025



Agenda Item 3a: 2025 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance

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 The SCF agreed to prepare the summary report of the Forum intersessionally, under the guidance of the co-facilitators, for consideration and adoption by the SCF and inclusion as part of its annual report to the COP 30 and CMA 7.





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2026 SCF Forum

Members discussed possible scope for the 2026 SCF Forum on "Financing Climate Action in Water Systems and Ocean" to be included in the SCF38 meeting report.

SCF agreed

On the intersessional activities, including:

- (1) a call for inputs on information and case studies relating to the topic and possible sub-themes of the 2026 SCF Forum by 31 January 2026;
- (2) outreach to relevant institutions by the co-facilitators; and
- (3) engagement of SCF members in fundraising activities.



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2027 SCF Forum

 SCF members discussed possible themes for the 2027 Forum to be included in the SCF38 meeting report.

SCF agreed:

- To continue its consideration of the theme for the 2027 SCF Forum at SCF 39 on the basis of the discussions at the 38th meeting and further intersessional work by co-facilitators.
- Request the co-facilitators to continue to work intersessionally to narrow-down the options for the 2027 Forum theme for consideration at SCF 39.





Agenda Item 4: Draft guidance to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism

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SCF agreed to:

Include the draft guidance to the operating entities and the explanatory note into the annual report of the SCF for Parties' consideration at COP 30 / CMA 7.





Agenda Item 8: Dates and venues of future meetings of the Standing Committee on Finance

The SCF agreed to the following meeting dates in 2026:

SCF 39: 10–12 February 2026 in Bonn, Germany

SCF 40: 19–20 June 2026 in Bonn, Germany

SCF Forum and SCF41 to be held in conjunction (Venue tbc, default option Bonn)

SCF Forum: 21–22 September 2026;

■ SCF 41: 23–25 September 2026 in the same place as the Forum

