

Twelfth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, 12–16 October 2020

Co-chairs' notes on Item 5: The role and contribution of the Excom in the global stocktake as contained in decision 19/CMA.1

1. Relevant paragraphs from decision 19/CMA.1

Para 1	<i>Recalls</i> , as provided in Article 14, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement, that the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement shall periodically take stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and its long-term goals, and that it shall do so in a comprehensive and facilitative manner, considering mitigation, adaptation and the means of implementation and support, and in the light of equity and the best available science;
Para 3	<i>Also decides</i> that the global stocktake will consist of the following components: (a) Information collection and preparation, focusing on gathering, compiling and synthesizing information and preparing for conducting the technical assessment referred to in paragraph 3(b) below; (b) Technical assessment, focusing on taking stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose and long-term goals of the Paris Agreement, as well as opportunities for enhanced action and support to achieve its purpose and goals; (c) Consideration of outputs, focusing on discussing the implications of the findings of the technical assessment with a view to achieving the outcome of the global stocktake of informing Parties in updating and enhancing, in a nationally determined manner, their actions and support, in accordance with relevant provisions of the Paris Agreement, as well as in enhancing international cooperation for climate action;
Para 4	<i>Further decides</i> that the global stocktake will be conducted with the assistance of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, which will establish a joint contact group on the matter;
Para 5	<i>Resolves</i> to engage in a technical dialogue that aims to support the work of the joint contact group referred to in paragraph 4 above through expert consideration of inputs, as identified in the sources of input referred to in paragraphs 36 and 37 below for the global stocktake;
Para 6(b)(ii)	<i>Decides</i> to establish the technical dialogue referred to in paragraph 5 above, which will: (b) Organize its work in line with taking stock of the implementation of the Paris Agreement to assess the collective progress towards achieving its purpose and long-term goals, including under Article 2, paragraph 1(a–c), in the thematic areas of mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation and support, noting, in this context, that the global stocktake may take into account, as appropriate, efforts related to its work that: (ii) Avert, minimize and address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change;

Para 24	<i>Invites</i> the relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention ¹ to prepare for the technical assessment, with the assistance of the secretariat, synthesis reports on the information identified in paragraph 36 below in their areas of expertise;
Para 35	<i>Decides</i> that the sources of input for the global stocktake should inform the thematic areas referred to in paragraph 6(b) above;
Para 36(e)	<i>Also decides</i> that the sources of input for the global stocktake will consider information at a collective level on: (e) Efforts to enhance understanding, action and support, on a cooperative and facilitative basis, related to averting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change;
Para 37(d)	<i>Decides</i> that the sources of input for the global stocktake include: (d) Reports from relevant constituted bodies and forums and other institutional arrangements under or serving the Paris Agreement and/or the Convention;

2. Role of the Excom

The Excom may wish to consider the applicable paragraphs of decision 19/CMA.1 as presented in section I above in deciding what information it would prepare as input to the global stocktake, in particular:

(i) The possible scope of information in response to paragraph 36(e), how such information would be communicated, indicative timeframe and milestones;

(ii) How to liaise with other constituted bodies, if deemed necessary, on what reports the other bodies are planning to produce in response to the mandate, to promote collaboration and synergy.

¹ Currently, the constituted bodies and forums are the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Country Expert Group, the Technology Executive Committee, the Standing Committee on Finance, the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, the Consultative Group of Experts, the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures, and the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Facilitative Working Group.