

22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Adaptation Committee

# Agenda item 7b



**United Nations**  
Climate Change  
Adaptation Committee

## Adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support

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Progress made by the joint working group

6-9 September 2022

# I. Introduction and background

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- CMA 1 considered initial recommendations provided by the AC and the LEG on the methodologies for reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support referred to in Article 7, para. 14 (c), of the Paris Agreement, and invited further technical work and submissions
- AC and LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, were invited to continue compiling existing methodologies
- AC and LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, have compiled existing methodologies into a background paper and established a joint working group to consider the way forward on this mandate
- The joint working group has convened two meetings since AC 21

## II. Overview

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- Progress made by the joint working group includes
  - Further considering the framing, overall context and potential sources of information for the review (close to finalization with some potential changes pending on the diagrams as contained in annex I and II of document AC-LEG/INFO/5 and a consideration of the placing of the review within the context of the GST)
  - Considering an initial set of potential review criteria and related indicators (initial discussion, to be continued)
  - Considering experience made by the SCF on reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation support
  - Taking stock of the work accomplished to date by the AC, LEG and SCF and considering how it could best be channelled into the GST process and how it could be taken forward

## II. Overview (cont.)

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- Proposed way forward:
  - Finalize the revision of the background paper, which would include the following:
    - Incorporating the framing of adaptation under the Convention and the Paris Agreement as well as the context and possible sources of information
    - Updating the section on definitions (e.g. with information from IPCC AR6 report)
    - Updating the compilation of methodologies and structuring them according to the different levels at which these are (mainly) applied (national, fund-level, regional, Convention-level)
    - Including a section on observations and a possible approach for undertaking the review under the first GST
  - Use revised structure to present the compilation of existing and potential future methodologies on the Adaptation Knowledge Portal

## II. Overview (cont.)

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- Proposed way forward:
  - Organize a webinar to present the work of the three bodies and receive feedback and inputs on the way forward from Parties and non-Party stakeholders (see draft concept in annex IV of document AC-LEG/INFO/5) prior to the second part of the first technical dialogue in November 2022
  - Summarize observations from the work to date and develop a possible approach to the global review which the AC, the LEG and the SCF could provide as an input to the GST (e.g. in the form of presentations or other types of specific inputs into the next round of the technical dialogue)

## II. Overview (cont.)

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- Possible observations based on the work to date and a possible approach to the global review
  - The global review of the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support will need to be informed by a triangulation of assessments across various scales and contexts
  - A possible approach to the review under GST 1 could include the following steps:
    - Collect empirical evidence from across the existing assessments of the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support as described in the reference paper
    - Based on the empirical evidence, start a collection of attributes of adaptation and/or support which commonly contribute to adequate and effective adaptation, and which could inform further action and reviews
    - Outline challenges and limitations of the existing methodologies applied for the assessments and recommend ways to overcome them to improve the information basis for future reviews

# III. Next steps

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- The AC may wish to
  - Take note of the progress made by the joint working group and provide guidance on the proposed way forward
  - Consider the proposed approach to the review and forms in which the AC and the LEG, in collaboration with the SCF, could provide this as an input to the next meeting of the GST technical dialogue