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## Subsidiary Body for Implementation

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Agenda item 9

**Matters relating to the least developed countries**

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#### **Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair**

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) took note of the oral report by the Vice-Chair of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG) on the implementation of the LEG work programme for 2012–2013.<sup>1</sup>

2. The SBI welcomed the report on the 23rd meeting of the LEG, held in Lomé, Togo, from 13 to 16 March 2013,<sup>2</sup> the report on the 24th meeting of the LEG, held in Siem Reap, Cambodia, from 26 to 29 August 2013,<sup>3</sup> and the synthesis report on the regional training workshops on adaptation for the least developed countries (LDCs) for 2012–2013.<sup>4</sup>

3. The SBI acknowledged the progress made by the LEG under its work programme for 2012–2013,<sup>5</sup> and welcomed the completion of the regional training workshops for 2012–2013. It also welcomed the technical guidelines for the national adaptation plan (NAP) process, the work on gender and other considerations regarding vulnerable communities within the LDCs, the work on promoting regional synergy and synergy among multilateral environmental agreements in addressing adaptation in the LDCs, and the mobilization of organizations, regional centres and networks, and experts.

4. The SBI expressed its gratitude to the following:

(a) The Government of Togo, for hosting the 23rd meeting of the LEG, and the second regional training workshop on adaptation, for the francophone LDCs, from 18 to 22 March 2013;

(b) The Government of Rwanda, for hosting the third regional training workshop on adaptation, for African anglophone LDCs, from 29 July to 2 August 2013;

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBI/2012/7, annex I.

<sup>2</sup> FCCC/SBI/2013/8.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/SBI/2013/15.

<sup>4</sup> FCCC/SBI/2013/16.

<sup>5</sup> FCCC/SBI/2012/7, annex I.

(c) The Government of Cambodia, for hosting the 24th meeting of the LEG, and the fourth regional training workshop on adaptation, for the Asian LDCs, from 20 to 24 August 2013;

(d) The organizations, agencies and regional centres<sup>6</sup> that took part in the regional training workshops.

5. The SBI expressed its appreciation to the European Commission and to the Governments of Australia, Belgium, Norway and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for providing financial resources in support of the work of the LEG.

6. The SBI noted with satisfaction the submission of national adaptation programmes of action (NAPAs) by all 50 LDC Parties that embarked on NAPA preparation,<sup>7</sup> and all support provided to the LDCs in preparing their NAPAs.

7. The SBI noted with appreciation the contributions made by some Parties to the Least Developed Countries Fund and encouraged other Parties to do the same.

8. The SBI welcomed the LEG work programme for 2013–2014,<sup>8</sup> including outreach activities and the regional training workshops on NAPs. The SBI encouraged the LEG to maintain flexibility in the implementation of its work programme, taking into account the availability of resources.

9. The SBI welcomed the LEG's engagement with the Adaptation Committee and other relevant bodies under the Convention in support of its work on the NAP process, in particular it encouraged the LEG to further enhance its collaboration with the Technology Executive Committee on the topic of adaptation technology.

10. The SBI took note of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat as referred to in paragraph 8 above.

11. The SBI requested that the actions of the secretariat called for in these conclusions be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

12. The SBI invited Parties in a position to do so to continue to provide resources in support of the implementation of the LEG work programme.

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<sup>6</sup> FCCC/SBI/2013/16, paragraphs 12, 15, 18 and 21.

<sup>7</sup> <unfccc.int/4585>.

<sup>8</sup> FCCC/SBI/2013/8, annex II.