

## Decision 16/CP.22

### **Third 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, 1/CP.21, and 14/CP.21,

*Reaffirming* that capacity-building should be a participatory, country-driven and continuous process consistent with national priorities and circumstances,

*Also reaffirming* that capacity-building is an integral component of the means of implementation to enable developing country Parties to implement the Convention and the Paris Agreement,

*Noting with appreciation* the technical paper prepared by the secretariat on the third comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries,<sup>1</sup>

*Recognizing* the active engagement of a wide spectrum of stakeholders, including State and non-State actors, in planning, implementing and monitoring activities with capacity-building components,

*Also recognizing* the significant increase of information on capacity-building activities made available by Parties, international organizations, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, United Nations specialized agencies and other institutions,

*Noting with appreciation* the success of the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Durban Forum for in-depth discussion on capacity-building, held during the forty-fourth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation,

*Noting* the significant participation of non-State actors in the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Durban Forum and their useful contributions to the discussions,

*Also noting* good practices in capacity-building that foster country-driven processes, country ownership, South–South cooperation, participatory as well as iterative approaches to capacity-building,

1. *Recognizes* that, while the objective and scope of capacity-building in developing countries as contained in decision 2/CP.7 are still relevant, current and emerging areas in the context of the Convention and the Paris Agreement should also be taken into account in the further implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries;
2. *Recalls* that the Paris Committee on Capacity-building aims to address both current and emerging gaps and needs in implementing capacity-building in developing country Parties and to further enhance capacity-building efforts, including with regard to coherence and coordination in capacity-building activities under the Convention;
3. *Invites* Parties to consider how to enhance existing reporting on the impacts of capacity-building activities, good practices and lessons learned and on how these are fed back into relevant processes to enhance the implementation of capacity-building activities;

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/TP/2016/1.

4. *Also invites* the Paris Committee on Capacity-building, in managing the 2016–2020 workplan:
- (a) To take into consideration cross-cutting issues such as gender responsiveness, human rights and indigenous peoples' knowledge;
  - (b) To take into consideration the outcomes of the third comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries;
  - (c) To take into consideration previous work undertaken on indicators for capacity-building;
  - (d) To promote and explore linkages with other constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as appropriate, that include capacity-building in their scopes;
  - (e) To promote and explore synergies for enhanced collaboration with institutions outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement engaged in implementing capacity-building activities;
  - (f) To take into consideration ways of enhancing reporting on capacity-building activities, taking into account all initiatives, actions and measures on capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement as well as existing reporting mandates, in order to achieve coherence and coordination;
5. *Further invites* Parties to foster networking and enhance their collaboration with academia and research centres, with a view to promoting individual, institutional and systemic capacity-building through education, training and public awareness;
6. *Invites* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to facilitate complementarity between the Durban Forum and the Paris Committee on Capacity-building;
7. *Also invites* Parties to cooperate in order to enhance the capacity of developing country Parties to implement the Convention and the Paris Agreement, and *further invites* developed country Parties to enhance support for capacity-building actions in developing country Parties;
8. *Further invites* relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as the private sector, academia and other stakeholders, to continue incorporating into their work programmes the scope of needs referred to in paragraph 1 above as contained in decision 2/CP.7;
9. *Invites* United Nations agencies, multilateral organizations and relevant admitted observer organizations engaged in providing capacity-building support to developing countries to provide information to the secretariat to be uploaded on the capacity-building portal;<sup>2</sup>
10. *Also invites* Parties to submit, by 9 March 2017, their views on potential topics for the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Durban Forum;<sup>3</sup>
11. *Further invites* Parties to submit, by 9 March 2017, their views on the fourth review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in countries with economies in transition, to be conducted at the forty-sixth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (May 2017) and concluded at the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2017);<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Available at <<http://unfccc.int/capacitybuilding/core/activities.html>>.

<sup>3</sup> Parties should submit their views via the submissions portal at <<http://www.unfccc.int/5900>>.

<sup>4</sup> As footnote 3 above.

12. *Decides* to conclude the third comprehensive review of the implementation of the framework for capacity-building in developing countries under the Convention and to initiate the fourth comprehensive review thereof at the fiftieth session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (June 2019), with a view to completing that review at the twenty-fifth session of the Conference of the Parties (November 2019);

13. *Takes note* of the budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat pursuant to the provisions contained in paragraph 4 above;

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

*9<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting  
17 November 2016*