

16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Technology Executive Committee

Agenda item 5. Implementation of the remaining activities in the current rolling workplan for 2016-2018  
(d) Technologies for adaptation

**ii. Technical expert meeting on adaptation**

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# I: Introduction and background

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## ❖ Outcomes of COP 23 assessment of the TEPs

- The COP stressed the urgency of improving the TEPs, including to better integrate them with the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action
- Requested the AC to:
  - ✓ Consider the needs of Parties expressed in their NDCs, NAPs and NCs
  - ✓ Address all 4 functions of the TEP-A
  - ✓ Include in its annual report to the COP recommendations on ways forward and necessary actions to be taken, based on the outcomes of the TEMs
- Invited expert organizations, constituted bodies under the Convention and non-Party stakeholders to enhance their engagement in the TEPs, including the TEMs
- Invited Parties and non-Party stakeholders to organize regional TEMs, building on existing regional climate action events, and to provide their reports thereon to the secretariat as input to the TEPs
- Strongly urged the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies, the high-level champions, the AC, the TEC and the CTCN to ensure the necessary continuity of and follow-up on the identified policy options and opportunities, including by informing the SPMs, the high-level events and the 2018 Talanoa dialogue



## II: 2018 TEP-A

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- ❖ **Topic:** “Adaptation planning for vulnerable groups, communities and ecosystems”
- ❖ Relevant work has been undertaken by the UNFCCC Nairobi work programme
- ❖ **Three categories of needs** expressed by Parties in their NDCs, NAPs and NCs: adaptation needs, implementation needs and support needs
- ❖ **Technical 2018 examination meetings** anticipated for 8 and 9 May (during SB 48)
- ❖ Expert organizations who volunteered to lead a session during 2018 TEM-A:
  - Vulnerable communities: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
  - Vulnerable groups: BSR/We mean business
  - Vulnerable ecosystems: UN Environment
  - Enabling adaptation planning: technology: CTCN
  - Enabling adaptation planning: finance: GCF



## II: Topic for 2020

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AC initiated discussion on topics for 2020, based on initial list of topics evaluated by the TEP-A working group and taking into account the 2016 and 2017 TEPs:

- The 2°C and 1.5 C° temperature limit and at multiple levels (i.e., local, national and regional)
- Addressing issues relating to transboundary adaptation
- Partnerships for adaptation
- Building resilience, reducing risk and avoiding mal-adaptation: examining specific policy options and opportunities offered through systematically building upon SDG interactions and leverage points for adaptation
- Gender and adaptation
- Promoting endogenous technologies and harnessing technology innovations for adaptation
- Education and training, public participation and youth to enhance adaptation action

AC 13 also considered new topics that are emerging as new priorities.



### III: Discussion at AC 13

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The Adaptation Committee :

- Appreciated the work of the TEP-A working group;
- Agreed on the approach to the 2018 TEMs and request the lead organizations and the secretariat to start organizing the 2018 TEMs. The lead organizations agreed to produce a joint concept note for discussion with the TEP-A working group by 23 March (3 weeks after AC 13);
- Initiated considerations on how sessions would arrive at the identification of specific policy options that are actionable in the short term and ways to upscale and enhance the impact of the TEP;
- Welcomed the offer by UNEP-GAN to organize a regional TEM-A and agreed to continue exploring options for regional TEM-As by the CTCN and others;
- Considered a range of possible topics for the TEP-A in 2020 and requested its TEP-A working group to continue the discussion and to report back to AC 14 on progress made.

