

## Decision 16/CP.17

### Research dialogue on developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the Convention

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* Article 2, Article 4, paragraph 1(g) and (h), and Article 5 of the Convention,

*Also recalling* decisions 9/CP.11 and 14/CP.4,

*Having considered* the conclusions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on the research dialogue at its thirty-fourth<sup>1</sup> and thirty-fifth<sup>2</sup> sessions,

*Recognizing* the progress made in the implementation of decision 9/CP.11,

*Also recognizing* the success of the activities undertaken under the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice research dialogue on developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the Convention,

*Further recognizing* the continuing importance of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in conducting regular assessments of published scientific information on climate change, and in communicating these assessments to the Convention,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the regional and international research programmes and organizations active in climate change research, as well as to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, for their participation in the research dialogue and for their continued provision of information on developments in research activities relevant to the needs of the Convention;
2. *Decides* that the research dialogue should continue;
3. *Urges* Parties, in particular developing country Parties, and invites regional and international research programmes and organizations active in climate change research to utilize the research dialogue as a forum for:
  - (a) Discussing needs for climate change research and research-related capacity-building, particularly those of developing countries, to support the work of the Convention;
  - (b) Conveying research findings and lessons learned from activities undertaken by regional and international research programmes and organizations of relevance to the Convention.

*10<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting  
9 December 2011*

<sup>1</sup> SBSTA/2011/2, paragraphs 42–56.

<sup>2</sup> SBSTA/2011/5, paragraphs 34–49.