

## Decision 6/CP.17

### Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* decisions 1/CP.10 and 2/CP.11,

1. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to reconsider, at its thirty-eighth session, the work areas of the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change with a view to making recommendations to the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth session on how to best support the objectives of the Nairobi work programme; this process would further inform the organization of potential future areas of work that could also support the scientific and technical work under the Cancun Adaptation Framework, as appropriate;
2. *Invites* Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 17 September 2012, their views on potential future areas of work of the Nairobi work programme;
3. *Requests* the secretariat to compile those submissions into a miscellaneous document for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice at its thirty-eighth session in order to inform the process mentioned in paragraph 1 above;
4. *Also requests* the secretariat to organize, in collaboration with Nairobi work programme partner organizations and other relevant organizations, the following workshops, informed by the information contained in annex I to the report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on its thirty-fourth session<sup>1</sup> and subsequent views of Parties, and to include indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices for adaptation and gender-sensitive tools and approaches as cross-cutting issues:
  - (a) A technical workshop, before the thirty-seventh session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, on water and climate change impacts and adaptation strategies;
  - (b) A technical workshop on ecosystem-based approaches for adaptation to climate change, before the thirty-eighth session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, taking into account the role of ecosystems, including forests, in adaptation; vulnerability and impacts in ecosystems; the implementation and benefits of ecosystem-based approaches for adaptation; and lessons learned, including through the three Rio Conventions;
5. *Further requests* the secretariat to prepare reports on the workshops referred to in paragraph 4(a) and (b) above, to be made available by the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, respectively;
6. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice to consider, at its thirty-ninth session, relevant information and advice on the scientific, technical and socio-economic aspects of impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change arising from the implementation of the Nairobi work programme for consideration by other relevant bodies under the Convention;

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/SBSTA/2011/2.

7. *Also requests* the secretariat to prepare a compilation of case studies on national adaptation planning processes, including tools and approaches used for the prioritization and implementation of actions, building also on previous adaptation planning activities undertaken under the Nairobi work programme to date, by the thirty-seventh session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice;
8. *Further requests* the secretariat, in order to enable Parties to make better use of knowledge products and information generated under the Nairobi work programme:
  - (a) To continue the development of user-friendly knowledge products and outputs, including those contributed by partner organizations;
  - (b) To enhance the dissemination of information and knowledge products developed under the Nairobi work programme;
9. *Invites* Parties, in order to enable them to make better use of knowledge products and information generated under the Nairobi work programme, to disseminate the outcomes of the Nairobi work programme that are deemed useful for the assessment and implementation of adaptation actions, and to support their translation into other United Nations languages;
10. *Requests* the secretariat to continue its efforts to further engage stakeholders in the Nairobi work programme;
11. *Encourages* Nairobi work programme partner organizations and other stakeholders to further enhance their efforts through the better alignment of pledged actions with the needs of Parties and to provide, through the secretariat, periodic updates to Parties on the implementation of their pledged actions;<sup>2</sup>
12. *Notes* the value of the Focal Point Forum in facilitating information exchange and collaboration between partner organizations;
13. *Invites* Parties and relevant organizations to continue to facilitate such exchanges, with a view to enhancing the implementation of the Nairobi work programme;
14. *Urges* Parties included in Annex II to the Convention, and other Parties in a position to do so, to provide financial support for the implementation of the Nairobi work programme;
15. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of implementing this decision, as provided by the secretariat;
16. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

*10<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting  
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<sup>2</sup> Details on action pledges and their updates are available at <<http://unfccc.int/5005>>.