

Gender at COP24

A quick overview on the integration of language related to gender equality at COP24.

Paris Implementation Guidelines

Preparations for the implementation of the Paris Agreement and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement | FCCC/CP/2018/L.15

Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)

Further guidance in relation to the mitigation section of decision 1/CP.21

Information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of nationally determined contributions, referred to in decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 28

- 1. Planning processes:
- (a) Information on the planning processes that the Party undertook to prepare its nationally determined contribution and, if available, on the Party's implementation plans, including, as appropriate:
- (i) Domestic institutional arrangements, public participation and engagement with
 - 1. local communities and indigenous peoples, in a **gender-responsive manner**;

Adaptation Communication

Further guidance in relation to the adaptation communication, including, inter alia, as a component of nationally determined contributions, referred to in Article 7, paragraphs 10 and 11, of the Paris Agreement

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Elements of an adaptation communication

(h) Information on **gender-responsive** adaptation action and information on traditional knowledge, knowledge of indigenous peoples and local knowledge systems related to adaptation, where appropriate;

Finance

Types of information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

Developed country Parties shall biennially communicate indicative quantitative and qualitative information related to Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 3, of the Paris Agreement, as applicable, including, as available, projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country Parties. Other Parties providing resources are encouraged to communicate biennially such information on a voluntary basis. This should include:

(c) Information on policies and priorities, including regions and geography, recipient countries, beneficiaries, targeted groups, sectors and **gender responsiveness**;

<u>Technology Framework</u>

Technology framework under Article 10, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement

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II. Principles

- 3. The principles of the technology framework, which are coherence, inclusiveness, results-oriented approach, transformational approach and transparency, should guide the Technology Mechanism in implementing the Paris Agreement, as follows:
- (b) Be designed and implemented in a manner that facilitates the active participation of all relevant stakeholders and takes into account sustainable development, **gender**, the special circumstances of the least developed countries and small island developing States, and the enhancement of indigenous capacities and endogenous technologies;

III. Key themes

A. Innovation

2. Actions and activities under this key theme should therefore accelerate and scale up innovation at different stages of the technology cycle, addressing both adaptation and mitigation in a balanced manner to help countries to build resilience and reduce their emissions, and be undertaken in a manner that enhances the effective participation of developing country Parties, fosters sustainable development and ensures **gender responsiveness**.

C. Enabling environment and capacity-building

(c) Facilitating countries in enhancing an enabling environment to promote endogenous and **gender-responsive** technologies for mitigation and adaptation actions;

D. Collaboration and stakeholder engagement

18. Therefore, the Technology Mechanism shall work in an open and inclusive, including **gender-responsive**, manner whereby stakeholders are invited to participate and actively engage. Collaboration with and engagement of stakeholders should take place at different stages of the technology cycle.

E. Support

22. The understanding of support under this key theme is broader than just financial support, as it may include all aspects of support for the implementation of Article 10 of the Paris Agreement. The support should be provided for all key themes of the technology framework, taking into account the **gender perspective** and endogenous and indigenous aspects.

<u>Transparency Framework</u>

Modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement

IV. Information related to climate change impacts and adaptation under Article 7 of the Paris Agreement

D. Adaptation strategies, policies, plans, goals and actions to integrate adaptation into national policies and strategies

- 109. Each Party should provide the following information, as appropriate: (a) Implementation of adaptation actions in accordance with the global goal for adaptation, as set out in Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement;
- (c) How best available science, **gender perspectives** and indigenous, traditional and local knowledge are integrated into adaptation;

I. Technical expert review team and institutional arrangements

2. Composition

178. The secretariat shall select the members of the technical expert review team with a view to achieving a balance between experts from developed and developing country Parties. The secretariat shall ensure geographical and **gender balance** among the technical review experts, to the extent possible. When selecting members of the technical expert review team for centralized group reviews of biennial transparency reports from the LDCs and SIDS, the secretariat shall strive to include technical experts from the LDCs and SIDS.

<u>Compliance</u>

Modalities and procedures for the effective operation of the committee to facilitate implementation and promote compliance referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement

3. The Committee shall consist of 12 members with recognized competence in relevant scientific, technical, socioeconomic or legal fields to be elected by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) on the basis of equitable geographical representation, with 2 members each from the five regional groups of the United Nations and 1 member each from the small island developing States and the least developed countries, taking into account the goal of gender balance.

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COP 24 agenda item 10(b): Matters relating to finance: Report of the Standing Committee on Finance

Annex. Summary and recommendations by the Standing Committee on Finance on the 2018 Biennial Assessment and Overview of Climate Finance Flows

Chapter III (assessment)

(m) Encourage climate finance providers to improve tracking and reporting on **gender-related aspects** of climate finance, impact measuring and mainstreaming;

COP 24 agenda item 10(d): Matters relating to finance: Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility

16. Encourages a balanced composition of the private sector advisory group in terms of **gender** and geographical coverage;

Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI)

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Report of the Adaptation Committee

7. *Urges* Parties and non-Party stakeholders to mainstream **gender considerations** in all stages of their adaptation planning processes, including national adaptation plans and the implementation of adaptation action, taking into account available guidance;⁵

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Gender and climate change

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

- 1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the report on the in-session workshop on the differentiated impacts of climate change; gender-responsive climate policy and action; and policies, plans and progress in enhancing gender balance in national delegations, held in Bonn on 2 and 9 May 2018.¹
- 2. The SBI took note of the informal report on the dialogue with the Chairs of the constituted bodies that was held on 5 May 2018.² Representatives of constituted bodies used the dialogue to consider the technical paper on entry points for integrating gender considerations into UNFCCC workstreams³ and

¹ FCCC/SBI/2018/INF.15.

² Available at https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/sb48 gender dialogue.pdf

³ FCCC/TP/2018/1.

identified concrete actions that each body could take, including greater cooperation and collaboration among constituted bodies on the integration of gender considerations.

- 3. The SBI welcomed the information provided by Parties and the secretariat during the consideration by the SBI of the activities undertaken by Parties, constituted bodies, observer organizations and the secretariat in 2018 in support of the Lima work programme on gender⁴ and its gender action plan⁵ and encouraged the continuation and enhancement of such activities in 2019.
- 4. The SBI reminded Parties of the invitation by the Conference of the Parties (COP) to appoint, and provide support for, a national gender focal point for climate negotiations, implementation and monitoring⁶ and noted that, to date, only 42 Parties had appointed a focal point.
- 5. The SBI welcomed the capacity-building on gender provided by the secretariat, in collaboration with United Nations entities, other stakeholders and relevant organizations, to the Paris Committee on Capacity-building and the Adaptation Committee in October 2018. It encouraged the constituted bodies to participate in the further capacity-building activities that are planned for relevant constituted bodies in 2019 under activity C.2 of the gender action plan.
- 6. The SBI encouraged Parties and observers to submit information by 31 August 2019⁷ on the implementation of the gender action plan, identifying areas of progress, areas for improvement and further work to be undertaken in subsequent action plans so as to inform the synthesis report on this topic to be prepared by the secretariat⁸ for consideration at SBI 51 (November 2019).
- 7. The SBI encouraged the secretariat to collect further information from Parties and observers as needed on the topic referred to in paragraph 6 above in order to make the synthesis report more comprehensive.
- 8. As requested at COP 24, the SBI considered the annual gender composition report prepared by the secretariat⁹ and recommended draft conclusions thereon as well as on the review of the Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan for consideration and adoption at COP 24 (for the text of the draft conclusions, see document FCCC/SBI/2018.L.22/Add.1).

Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

The Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its forty-ninth session, recommended the following draft conclusions for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fourth session:

⁴ Decision 21/CP.22.

⁵ Decision 3/CP.23.

⁶ Decision 21/CP.22, paragraph 22.

⁷ Parties and observers should submit their views via the submissions portal at https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx

⁸ Decision 3/CP.23, paragraph 5.

⁹ FCCC/CP/2018/3.

Review of the Lima work programme on gender and its gender action plan

- 4. The Conference of the Parties (COP) noted with appreciation the progress made in enhancing the representation of women in constituted bodies and urged Parties to expedite the additional efforts needed to improve the participation of women in their delegations, including in senior positions, and in all the bodies established under the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol, in accordance with decision 18/CP.20.
- 5. The COP requested the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) at its fiftieth session (June 2019) to initiate the review of the areas of progress, areas for improvement and further work to be undertaken under the Lima work programme on gender¹⁰ and its gender action plan¹¹ on the basis of all submissions received and reports produced under the Lima work programme and its gender action plan, with a view to the SBI forwarding recommendations on the outcome of the review for consideration and adoption at COP 25 (November 2019).
- 6. The COP invited Parties, constituted bodies and observers to consult during 2019, including through meetings, with the support of the secretariat as appropriate, in order to advance the gender action plan. Parties and observers can draw from outputs of these consultations when submitting information that will be synthesized in the report referred to in document FCCC/SBI/2018/L.22, paragraph 6, in the context of considerations on the way forward on the Lima work programme on gender.¹²

Subsidiary Body on Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA)

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Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

- 9. *Further decides* that the election and rotation of the co-chairs and vice co-chairs will take into account regional geographic balance, and strive for **gender balance**;
- 14. *Stresses* the importance of striving for **gender balance** in the appointment processes of representatives in accordance with decisions 36/CP.7, 23/CP.18 and 3/CP.23;

¹⁰ Decision 21/CP.22, paragraph 6.

¹¹ Decision 3/CP.23, paragraph 7.

¹² Decision 3/CP.23, paragraph 5.