

Guidance on Adaptation Communication, Article 7 and 10.

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Take home elements:

- G77+China begins meeting by forwarding a proposal of headings and subheadings for the NAP
- Several other countries, including Canada, US, New Zealand and Australia, suggest that there may be deeper disagreements on the headings and subheadings
- Facilitators will produce a consolidated list from discussion today, roundtable and previous country submissions for discussion at next informal.

Informal Note and intersessional work

From the co-chairs

- Began with the state of the work on Agenda Item 4
- Roundtable on Saturday and small groups on skeleton proposals

Continue and complete the transition with narratives and bullet points

For negotiation document for next year

1. Reflect on the Saturday roundtable
2. How to approach the work here:
 - a. Skeleton outline for all parties for next set of informals

Table is on the item 4 webpage

Linkages and vehicles -> e.g. Agenda 5

And guidance for all vehicles compared to vehicle specific guidance

What should be included?

Opens the floor

Argentina (G77+ China):

- Brings up heading and subheadings for the NAPs.
- They are ready to be very clear on the headings -> and asks if this is the time to list the headings.
- They have done more work since the roundtables ("homework").

Ecuador (LMDC):

- Align Argentina

Saudi Arabia:

- Aligns with G77 China and LMDC
- Agree with reflections
- Stress two points:
 - Not all the groups were able to participate in all parts of the discussions
 - Email and electronic communications were accepted into the table: but, is the table closed or can countries still provide more info from the roundtable. More bulletpoints to where some things should appear on the table.

- Chair response: The breakout groups gave indications of main outcomes of the workshop, so parties can continue to share, but hesitant about building out the table since it would make one deeper rather than move to consensus.

- EU:
 - Preamble, purpose and elements seem like standards headings
 - Elements and themes such as elements, vehicles, support, flexibility also need to be captured.
 - Try to go deeper and consolidate – and even preliminary textual ideas
 - Would like hear about G77 “homework” since roundtable.
- Uruguay (Argentina, Paraguay and ...)
 - Substantive progress has been made
 - Headings and subheadings
 - And content of these headings/subheadings
- Botswana (African group):
 - Align with G77 + China
- Malawi (LDCs):
 - Also with Argentina
 - Thinks there is convergence and just needs language – sees progress
 - Transparency on adaptation: linkages are not very clear
 - And issues on Timing

Chair moves to Argentina to hear the views on headings and subheadings

- Consolidation
- Headings:
 - Preamble/Introduction

- Guiding principles: how to prepare and implement needs, plans and priorities
- Purpose
- Elements: both a common set and then opt in and opt out set of elements.
 - Maybe specific guidance for LDCs for different interests
- Vehicles:
 - maybe for timing and frequency or maybe somewhere else -> or under other matters
- Linkages
- Support: Three possible fields:
 - support that is needed for the NAPs (prep and submission)
 - implementation for needs, plans and strategies in the NAP and Article 7.3
 - support provided by developed countries to developing countries in relation to different modalities under the workplan
- Other matters: not entirely attached to the name, but other things come up.

Chair – 8 headings and then asks the floor for reflections

Saudi Arabia: agrees, but raises an issue that has been raised several times and APA contact group and roundtable

- Mutually inclusive design of the paper to different viewpoints (not mutually exclusive)
- And seeks guidance from the Chair on how this is being captured.

Co-facilitator likes the term “mutually inclusive”.

Ecuador (LDC):

- Likes the headings
- Guiding principles should highlight UNFCCC e.g. common but differentiated
- Support is important: finance, technology and capacity building
- Looking for coherence across all APA work

Kuwait (Arab states):

- Supports Argentina and Ecuador
- Guiding principles: CBDR

Columbia:

- Aligns with Argentina and support approach
- Wants to be more specific about the elements
- Also timing and frequencies since each vehicle has its own periodicity
- Issues of support and how will be addressed

Canada:

- It is something for all and the importance for developing countries

- The guidance -> chose of vehicle and communication for all parties.
- Balance of how to build in principles of Paris Agreement can be done in different ways
 - Is it helpful to see other guidance documents? Principles to guide the “guidance”
- How can the skeletons be brought to together -> under what principles.

Saudi Arabia:

- Thinks that the different mode of work should be started now
- Highlights what the co-chairs have asked for options, convergence and divergence, step by step approach by the parties
- A step by step approach

Facilitators asks if this proposal is okayed by the Parties: can we work from the headings from G77-China. Now start to populate these headings.

Australia:

- Thinks that information from the synthesis report suggests that there si more divergence
- And guiding principles may lead to disagreements
- Wants co-facilitators to work from the all the skeleton outlines

Facilitators: will help in any way possible; but clarifies that the headings are still up for debate. Facilitators also willing to take on roll of a formal text.

USA:

- Likes some elements
- But agrees with Australia
- Guiding principles is a difficult also common/opt-in elements

New Zealand:

- Like Australia and the USA
- A Step by step approach is correct with areas of convergence; but the Argentina proposal has too much divergence, so not a good start.

EU:

- Agrees with the other developed countries
- But not all headings make sense
- Proposal for a way forward: start with areas of fuller convergence and then others later.

Argentina:

- Raises the importance of the headings for guiding principles and says now is the time to talk about
- And wants to talk now about the headings
- And cannot accept to continue only with convergences

- Wants to start with their list.

Saudi Arabia:

- Constructive way is to negotiate rather than send it to the co-facilitators
- G77+China has a precise proposal and the co-facilitators capture discussion.

Facilitators says that is the goal of the common text. Does not need to consolidate all items; but, rather is looking for a good text for negotiation for next COP.

Ecuador:

- Country driven process through the 1.5 year
- Wants to start with G77 proposal and engage for there
- Does not want to go back to the co-facilitators: wants it to be country-driven process

Japan:

- Clarify the approach – perhaps it has changed? Convergence and divergence rather than just common views?

Facilitators: No proposal right now. Would like to try again soon.

Jamaica (Islands and SDS):

- Focus on areas of divergence rather than convergence
- More substantial issues are there – so maybe the G77 proposal is a good start?

Facilitators:

- Start from common list of elements that can be provided like the G77
- Which can then be populated
- Proposals for all parties are being solicited of headings/sub-headings to be populated
- In the absence, they will assume that the roundtable results still stand.
- But that progress will not be made without power is given to the facilitators to have one list of headings
- G77 and more lists that will then be combined with no repetitions.

New Zealand:

- Clarify the proposal -> does she need to resubmit or does the previous proposal stand?

Facilitator:

- Says that yes, especially in the absence of new submissions

Argentina:

- All ideas can be in the text
- Also important to see the text ahead of time for coordination
- Be sure that the list only includes headings and subheadings
- Populated list will be done together.

Facilitator:

- Says yes and that parties will populate list together
- And that more headings and subheadings can still be added.

Saudi Arabia:

- Agrees with Argentina
- But that the list should not look like the last session
- A white paper with no status before the next session

Kuwait:

- Clarification: how can we look at the proposals? On the screen?

Facilitators:

- Thinks all countries have well known views, so this should be a “single basket”
- Does not need to be complete consensus, but not a collated table.

Saudi Arabia:

- Timeline?

Facilitators:

- A list by tonight for a list for tomorrow
- Or for the 3rd session and discuss interlinkages tomorrow

Saudi Arabia:

- Wants the first option -> tomorrow; how the facilitators have consolidated the list.

Facilitators:

- OK – inputs from parties; they will also look at previous and proposals from today.
- Tonight, they will bring it together.

