

Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) acknowledged the fruitful exchange that took place during the in-session multi-stakeholder workshop on implementing the functions of the local communities and indigenous peoples platform.¹
2. The SBSTA noted with appreciation the support provided by the Nordic Council of Ministers for work under the platform and the support provided by Canada for the workshop referred to in paragraph 1 above.

Addendum

Recommendation of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice, at its forty-eighth session, recommended the following draft decision for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fourth session:

Draft decision -/CP.24

Local communities and indigenous peoples platform

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 135 and decision 2/CP.23,

1. *Decides* to establish the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform Facilitative Working Group (Facilitative Working Group);
2. *Affirms* that the Facilitative Working Group was established with the objective of [placeholder];

Composition and election of representatives

3. *Decides* that the Facilitative Working Group shall comprise 14 representatives, as follows:
 - (a) One government representative from each of the five United Nations regional groups;
 - (b) One government representative from a small island developing State;
 - (c) One government representative from a least developed country Party;
 - (d) Seven representatives from indigenous peoples organizations;
4. *Also decides* that government representatives shall be nominated by Parties through their respective regional groups and constituencies, and elected by the Conference of the Parties (COP); and *encourages* Parties, when nominating their representatives, to consider nominating representatives from local communities.

¹ See <https://unfccc.int/topics/local-communities-and-indigenous-peoples-platform/events-and-meetings/workshops-meetings/multi-stakeholder-workshop-on-the-local-communities-and-indigenous-peoples-platform>.

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5. *Further decides* that indigenous peoples representatives shall be nominated by the indigenous peoples organizations constituency, through their focal points, and elected to the Facilitative Working Group by the Conference of the Parties;
6. Encourages regional groups and constituencies, and the indigenous peoples organizations constituency, to nominate their representatives to the Facilitative Working Group taking into account the need to achieve gender balance in accordance with decisions 36/CP.7, 23/CP.18 and 3/CP.23.
7. *Decides* that representatives shall serve for a term of x years and shall be eligible to serve a maximum of x consecutive terms of office, and that the representatives shall remain in office until their successors have been elected;
8. *Also decides* that if a representative of the Facilitative Working Group resigns or is otherwise unable to complete the assigned term of office or to perform the functions of that office, the Facilitative Working Group may decide, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the Conference of the Parties, to appoint another representative from the same group or constituency to replace said representative for the remainder of that representative's term, in which case the appointment shall count as one term;
9. *Further decides*, in the context of the principle of "equal status of indigenous peoples and Parties, including in leadership roles" that was acknowledged by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-third session,² that the Facilitative Working Group shall elect [placeholder for frequency] [placeholder for leadership e.g. two co-chairs, chair and vice-chair etc.] from among its representatives to serve for a term of x year[s] each, with one being a representative from a Party and the other being a representative from an indigenous peoples organization;
10. *Decides* that if the [placeholder for leadership/chairs] is temporarily unable to fulfil the obligations of the office, [x] shall serve as the chair. In the absence of the [placeholder for leadership] at a particular meeting, any other representative designated by the Facilitative Working Group shall temporarily serve as the chair of that meeting;
11. *Also decides* that if the [placeholder for leadership/chairs] is unable to complete the term of office, the Facilitative Working Group shall elect a replacement to complete that term of office;

Meetings

12. *Further decides* that the Facilitative Working Group shall meet twice per year [placeholder for specifics e.g. in conjunction, back-to-back etc.] with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies and the sessions of the Conference of the Parties;
13. *Decides* that decisions of the Facilitative Working Group shall be taken by [placeholder e.g. consensus];

Lifespan and review

14. *Also decides* to review the [placeholder for what will be reviewed e.g. progress and performance] of the Facilitative Working Group at its [placeholder for COP session e.g. twenty-seventh session], with a view to adopting an appropriate decision on the outcome of this review;
15. *Further decides* that the initial mandate will span three years with the possibility of extending as necessary based on the review mentioned in paragraph 14 above, which will be undertaken during its third year;

Mandate

16. *Decides* that the Facilitative Working Group will determine the modalities for the development of its workplan, as a phase of the operationalization process of the local

² Decision 2/CP.23, paragraph 8.

communities and indigenous peoples platform [placeholder for other input from G77 and China as stated in first informal meeting];

17. [Placeholder for para on reporting arrangements];

18. *Requests* the Facilitative Working Group to make its workplan available in its report to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fifth session, for approval by the Conference of the Parties;

Other

19. *Decides* that the meetings of the Facilitative Working Group shall be [placeholder on openness of meetings e.g. open to observers etc];

20. [Placeholder for secretariat support];

21. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources;

22. *Requests* Parties in a position to do so to provide financial and technical support, as appropriate, for the further operationalization of the platform;

23. *Invites* interested organizations in a position to do so to provide support, as appropriate, for the further operationalization of the platform;

24. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 20 above.
