

Informal Consultation on APA Agenda Item 5 on modalities, procedures and guidelines for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Art. 13 of the Paris Agreement

Tuesday, 4 December 2018, 10-11am, Meeting Room 20

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The meeting began at 10.08am.

Additional tool available on the UNFCCC Website:

- For APA agenda item 5 informal document, Revised final iteration 09/09/2018 @ 12:30 hrs [here](#)

Co-facilitators noted the [Joint Reflections Note](#) and [Add.6](#) (Document no: APA-SBSTA-SBI.2018.Informal.2.Add.6) and urged Parties to focus on the key issues remaining.

- Informal discussions yesterday were focused and helpful.
- Positive momentum for this week.
- Willingness of Parties to work hard.
- Majority of time in informal-informal setting
- Ask that Parties work closely with Co-Facilitators to understand core priorities from Parties
- Need to carefully manage interlinkages, constantly in touch with other Co-Facilitators
- Tomorrow – APA Co-Chairs will discuss this issue of linkages
- Huge goal this week to deliver a near-clean text by end of this week
- Use multiple iterations of the document to advance discussions
- Intention to issue first iteration no later than tomorrow (Wednesday night) and second iteration by Thursday night.
- Approach by incremental manner – use first iteration of technical details of MPG and second to get form and flexibility right
- Informal-informal from 11-1pm at Room 15, 1-3pm at Room 3, 4-5pm in Room 22 and 5pm-onwards in Room 15 – intention is to conduct discussions in a structured manner
 - Section A
 - Section G key issues
 - Section H
 - Section E
 - Section F
 - Section C
 - COP Decision
 - CMA Decision
 - Not to limit the discussion and Parties can raise other issues for discussion
- SBSTA item informal consultations this afternoon – will work to avoid clashes to ensure relevant experts are in the room.

- Originally proposed to allow Parties to take up key issues – informally circulated key issues yesterday
- Co-Chair asked if there were any questions:

Brazil

- Q: Flexibility in interactions of document during the week – asked for more clarity
- Q: (To Secretariat) Meeting room allocations – avoid so many changes in the room and urge to arrange in the same room or those close together

Co-Chair noted that intention would be to use first iteration to get technical details of MPGs as far along as possible and then second iteration to see the forming of flexibility.

Brazil said they were flexible on how the iteration documents are being used but see that there may be a chance to talk about flexibility in the first iteration. If Brazil brings it up, would like to see it as options.

Co-Chair agreed, that flexibility is the crux and at the core of solving the MPGs. Core priority as well.

Saudi Arabia

- Q: Time and room 1-3pm – Status? Due to many coordination meetings at that time.

Co-Facilitator said it is an informal-informal.

Brazil

- Cannot set informal-informal at that time (1-3pm) due to coordination
- Prefer to suggest bilaterals in that available room, rather than informal-informals

Co-Facilitator noted that they respect the right and intention of Parties to coordinate. Move to substantive issues once we move into informal-informal setting.

The informal consultation ended at 10.25am and Parties moved into informal-informals.