

SBSTA57 agenda item 13 (c)

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Informal consultation – Revision of the UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

Agenda Item	SBSTA 13 (c): Revision of the UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention
Date	08.11.2022
Time	15:00-16:00 EET
Chair(s)	
Dynamic	
Key outcomes of session/Progress achieved during session	• Not too constructive. No narrowing down of options in the informal text prepared after discussions at SB56 • Next session: Wednesday, 9.11.2022, 11:00-12:00 EET, Room 17

Introduction

Cofacilitators

- Reporting on wetlands
- if Production approach not used → provide supplementary information
- Parties shall use MPGs in place of convention
- At SBSTA56:
 - harvested wood products
 - [missed] Parties proposed adding a function in CRF tables to allow GWP from AR5
 - Changing the submission date (inventory submissions earlier by April 15 every year – new proposed submission by 30 September 2024 → reporting only once in 2024)
- Informal note captures what co-facilitators heard from Parties during the last session.
- 2 other meetings scheduled this week
- Proposed approach: share views on the informal note, produce revised version of the note before next session, continue working on the text, at the third and final meeting → agree on a draft COP decision if the decision is to be agreed at COP27

Commented [AS1]: Unsure of this. Could not follow the introduction well

Interventions

GROUP/COUNTRY	NAME (IF POSSIBLE)	INTERVENTION
Canada		• Happy to participate • See the informal note from SBSTA 56 as a good starting point. Captures some of the overall perspectives

		• Para 1 → prefers option B (no further revision to reporting on harvesting wood products). Canada has expressed this for several years • Para 2 → prefers option 2, option A • Para 3 → want to hear other party views ◦ functionality of system is critical for parties to be able to make their session ◦ option 3 is complementary to option 1 or option 2
China obo G77		• Have not coordinated on the options as a group. Will come back later as a Party
EU		• Happy with the proposed mode of work. Informal note is a good starting point for discussion • EU would like to see alignment of reporting under convention with PA • Para 1 → option B • Para 2 → additional CRF reporter → additional CRF tables using AR5 but not replacing the possibility of using AR4 • Para 3 → Either option 1 and hybrid of option 2 and 3. Main goal is to not make dual reporting in one year
UK		• Agree with EU • Enhanced streamlined transparency and reporting • Avoid duplicating reporting in 2024 • Agree with the discussions by Parties at SBSTA 56 → after 15 April but no longer than the corresponding delay in the availability of the tool.
Saudi Arabia		• Reaffirm the two separate environments → CRF and new tool under PA
Switzerland obo EIG		• Informal note is a good basis for discussion • Decision should allow for use of AR5 GWPs • CRF reporter should be updated with the new GWPs to allow for reporting with • Para 1 → option B • Para 2 → Option 2 sub-Option a • Para 3 → [missed]
Malawi obo LDCs		• Willing to discuss options to facilitate reporting • Decision should allow for convention reporting aligned with PA reporting but considering national circumstances • Need to consider time and resources required by developing countries
US		• ensure non-submission of 2 reports in 2024
Followed by line-by-line discussion of the inform		

Para 1:

Canada: Option B [...] of any further revision to reporting on harvesting wood products

China: Option A

Saudi Arabia: Option A

Para 2:

EU: Option 2 sub-option A

G77 obo China: Need more time to review options. Do not delete anything. Will get back to the session once they have better understanding

Saudi Arabia: Not in favour of deleting anything right now. Did not have time to study the document

Brazil obo ABU: Need more time to review options. Would like to see some language on the possibility of using other metrics as well.

Kenya: Important to understand → para 2 is something the Secretariat would do. Is 1 Jan 2023 still the timeline that the Secretariat can meet? Would appreciate this information in the next session

Co-facilitator: 1 Jan 2023 is not doable but end of Jan 2023 is doable without any additional costs

Para 3:

Norway: prefers option 2 and/or option 3. Option 1 is too complicated and is not necessary to have all that text and dates

Canada: Add in option 2: '[...]is available and functional for use'

Saudi Arabia obo Arab Group: Not in favour of deleting anything right now. Need to coordinate with the Arab Group

New Zealand: Option 3 is not option. Renumber the last para and remove the language indicating that this is option. Transform option 3 into a separate stand-alone paragraph

China (national capacity): Share NZ views. It should be a standalone paragraph but the paragraph should be bracketed as the language is not agreed to.

Co-facilitator:

- End of discussion for today
- Will be discussed further in the next session

China:

- When is the next session? Need to coordinate with G77. Can G77 submit written input?

Co-facilitator:

- Next session: Wednesday, 9.11.2022, 11:00-12:00 EET, Room 17
- Can submit written input → submission period will be closed by 21:00 on 8.11.2022

