

Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security -Informal Consultation - SBI 11/SBSTA 10.

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- Discussions reached a stalemate. The Secretary withdrew after an hour to leave delegates to discuss (as observers, we had to leave at this point)
- Parties such as the EU, Mexico, Australia, Argentina and others expressed concern that one year had already gone away, without much progress on a roadmap for the plan
- The fault line was between countries wishing for a roadmap to be set before workshops were decided for the Bonn Conference, and those wishing those workshops to be set first (in the hope that something comes out of the Dubai sessions). Multiple suggestions by the EU, Australia and the Indigenous group observer group were pushed forward. These workshop themes included: risk management/early warning, a definition of sustainable food systems, biosecurity, a holistic approach to agricultural systems (indigenous knowledge, gender dimension etc)
- Kenya, South Sudan and other parties wanted to discuss paragraphs 14, 15 and 16.
- Observers (YOUNGO, Indigenous Peoples, Women and Gender) were invited to share their views at the end. They all agreed that something had to come out of these discussions in Dubai and that it was not acceptable that this stalemate continues.