



Conference of the Parties

Twenty-third session

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II. Proposed organization of the session: overview

- (a) Scenario for the launch and completion of work in all bodies
 1. The President of the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-second session will open COP 23 and propose the election of the President of COP 23, who will also serve as the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP) at its thirteenth session and the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) at the second part of its first session. The COP will then take up some of the organizational and procedural items on its provisional agenda, including the adoption of the agenda and the organization of work. The COP will refer items on its agenda to the subsidiary bodies, as appropriate. The opening plenary meeting of the COP will then be adjourned. CMP 13 will then open and take up some of the organizational and procedural items on its provisional agenda. The opening plenary of the CMP will then be adjourned. CMA 1 will resume for the second part of its first session and take up some of the organizational and procedural items on its agenda. The resumed plenary of the CMA will then be adjourned.
 2. After launching their work, the COP, the CMP and the CMA will convene a joint plenary meeting to hear statements made on behalf of groups of Parties. On the basis of the guidance from the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) urging Parties and presiding officers to conclude the conference in a timely manner,¹ it is envisaged that statements made on behalf of groups of Parties will be concise.
 3. The following sessions of the subsidiary bodies have been scheduled in conjunction with COP 23, CMP 13 and CMA 1.2:
 - (a) Forty-seventh session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA);
 - (b) Forty-seventh session of the SBI;
 - (c) Fourth part of the first session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement (APA).
 4. The COP, the CMP and the CMA will convene plenary meetings during the first week of the conference to take up the items on their agendas that have not been referred to the SBSTA, the SBI or the APA.
 5. During the conference, the COP and the CMA will convene a joint meeting to review progress in the implementation of the work programme under the Paris Agreement.²
 6. During the conference, meetings will be organized in line with the conclusions of the SBI³ so as to ensure the observance of clear and effective working practices agreed to by all Parties.
 7. In order to ensure that draft texts can be processed and made available in all United Nations official languages before the COP, the CMP and the CMA consider them for

¹ FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraph 218.

² Decision 1/CP.22, paragraph 11, and decision 1/CMA.1, paragraph 10.

³ FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraphs 218–221.

adoption, and to enable timely closure of the conference, all negotiations under the COP, the CMP and the CMA must conclude by Wednesday, 15 November.

8. In keeping with the conclusions adopted at SBI 40,⁴ all meetings are scheduled to end by 6 p.m. each day in order to give Parties and regional groups sufficient time to prepare for daily meetings, but may, in exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis, continue for two to three hours.

9. The SBI also recommended⁵ that the secretariat, when organizing sessional periods, follow the practice of holding no more than two meetings of plenary and/or contact groups concurrently, with the total number of meetings held concurrently, including informal meetings, not exceeding six, to the extent possible. It further recommended that the secretariat continue to take into consideration, when scheduling meetings, the constraints faced by delegations and avoid clashes on similar issues, to the extent possible.

10. The principles of openness, transparency and inclusiveness will guide the organization of work leading up to and during the conference. To this end, efforts will continue, as at recent conferences, to demonstrate these principles through the use of informal plenary meetings, the enhanced availability of electronic documentation, timely meeting announcements and the broadcasting of meeting information on closed-circuit television, the UNFCCC website and Twitter.

(b) High-level segment

11. The inauguration of the high-level segment will take place in the afternoon of Wednesday, 15 November (see paras. 121–127 below).

(c) Mandated and other events

12. The high-level event on climate action⁶ will open on Monday, 13 November, in the Bonn Zone and close on Wednesday, 15 November, in the Bula Zone in conjunction with the high-level segment.⁷ During that period, the high-level climate champions, Mr. Inia Seruiratu and Ms. Hakima El Haite, will convene a series of events and round tables with high-level decision makers on key issues. The climate champions will also convene a series of events on specific thematic areas aimed at demonstrating progress, showcase success stories and highlight opportunities to further scale up action. The climate champions will report on the outcomes of these activities and their engagement throughout 2017 at the closing of the high-level event on Wednesday, 15 November.

13. The conference will be organized in two interlinked zones with all events taking place in the Bonn Zone. Further information on these events will be provided as it becomes available on the Information Hub on the UNFCCC website⁸.

III. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session

14. COP 23 will be opened by the President of COP 22, Mr. Salaheddine Mezouar (Morocco).

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraph 219.

⁵ FCCC/SBI/2010/10, paragraph 164.

⁶ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 120.

⁷ See <http://newsroom.unfccc.int/cop23bonninformationhub/cop23-information-hub-overview/> for information on the two zones.

⁸ See <http://newsroom.unfccc.int/cop23bonninformationhub/>.

2. Organizational matters

(a) Election of the President of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-third session

15. *Background:* The President of COP 22 will call for the election of Mr. Josaia Frank Voreqe Bainimarama, Prime Minister of Fiji, as President of COP 23. Mr. Bainimarama was nominated by the Asia-Pacific States in accordance with the principle of rotation of the Presidency among the regional groups. He will also serve as President of CMP 13 and CMA 1.2.

(b) Adoption of the rules of procedure

16. *Background:* At COP 22, Parties decided to continue to apply the draft rules of procedure contained in document FCCC/CP/1996/2, with the exception of rule 42, and agreed that the President would continue consultations during the intersessional period and report back to COP 23 in the event of any new developments.

17. *Action:* The COP may wish to decide to continue applying the draft rules of procedure and to invite the President of COP 23 to undertake consultations to try to achieve adoption of the rules.

FCCC/CP/1996/2	<i>Organizational matters: adoption of the rules of procedure. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(c) Adoption of the agenda

18. *Background:* The secretariat, in agreement with the President of COP 22, has drafted the provisional agenda for COP 23, after consultations with the Bureau and Parties.

19. *Action:* The COP will be invited to adopt its agenda.

FCCC/CP/2017/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
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(d) Election of officers other than the President

20. *Background:* At the request of the President of COP 22, consultations on nominations to the Bureau of COP 23, CMP 13 and CMA 1.2 were initiated during the sessions of the subsidiary bodies held in Bonn in May 2017 with the chairs and coordinators of regional groups and constituencies. Chairs and coordinators were informed that the deadline for submission of nominations is 10 November 2017. Parties are invited to recall decisions 36/CP.7 and 23/CP.18 and give active consideration to the nomination of women for elective posts in bodies established under the Convention.

21. *Action:* The COP will be invited to elect the members of the Bureau of COP 23, CMP 13 and CMA 1.2 at the earliest opportunity following completion of consultations.

<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/6558.php
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(e) Admission of organizations as observers

22. *Background:* The COP will have before it document FCCC/CP/2017/2, containing the list of organizations seeking admission as observers, following review and consideration by the Bureau of COP 23, CMP 13 and CMA 1.2.⁹

23. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the list and admit the organizations as observers.

⁹ In accordance with decisions 36/CMP.1 and 2/CMA.1, a single process will be used for the admission of observer organizations to sessions of the COP, the CMP and the CMA, with decisions on the admission of observer organizations being taken by the COP.

FCCC/CP/2017/2	<i>Admission of observers: organizations applying for admission as observers. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(f) Organization of work, including for the sessions of the subsidiary bodies

24. *Action:* The COP will be invited to agree upon the organization of the work of the session, including the proposed schedule of meetings (see paras. 1–13 above) and the referral of items to the SBSTA and the SBI as indicated under the relevant agenda items.

25. The COP 22 President will report on the outcomes of the consultations on the special needs and special circumstances of Africa,¹⁰ and on the request by Turkey to seek access to support from the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) under the Paris Agreement by Parties whose special circumstances are recognized by the COP.¹¹

26. In response to the recommendation of APA 1.3,¹² the COP may wish to address the need for procedural clarity with regard to the draft decision for consideration and adoption at CMA 1 on the matter referred to in paragraph 28(c)(ii) of the report on APA 1.3.¹³

27. CMP 12 invited¹⁴ the COP to bring to the attention of the APA the information provided by the Adaptation Fund Board on the added value of the Adaptation Fund for the operationalization of the Paris Agreement.¹⁵

28. The COP will be invited to organize the work in a manner that is flexible enough to respond to changing circumstances and new developments, that is guided by the principles of openness, transparency and inclusiveness and that can ensure that mandates for COP 23 are addressed.

FCCC/CP/2017/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/KP/CMP/2017/1	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/PA/CMA/2017/1	<i>Agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/SBSTA/2017/5	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/SBI/2017/8	<i>Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>
FCCC/APA/2017/3	<i>Agenda and annotations. Note by the Executive Secretary</i>

(g) Dates and venues of future sessions

29. *Background:* COP 22 decided¹⁶ to adjust the dates of the second sessional period in 2018 to Monday, 3 December, to Friday, 14 December, and to accept¹⁷ the offer of the Government of Poland to host COP 24.

30. Regarding other future sessions, in keeping with the principle of rotation among the regional groups, the President of COP 25 will come from the Latin American and Caribbean States and the President of COP 26 from the Western European and other States.

¹⁰ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraph 155.

¹¹ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraphs 162 and 163.

¹² FCCC/APA/2017/2, paragraph 30.

¹³ FCCC/APA/2017/2.

¹⁴ Decision 2/CMP.12, paragraph 14.

¹⁵ FCCC/KP/CMP/2016/2, addendum to annex I.

¹⁶ Decision 24/CP.22, paragraph 7.

¹⁷ Decision 24/CP.22, paragraph 9.

31. SBI 46 recommended the dates for the sessional periods in 2022 and that the dates for the first sessional periods in 2018 and 2019 be amended to Monday, 30 April, to Friday, 11 May 2018, and Monday, 17 June, to Friday, 28 June 2019, respectively.¹⁸

32. *Action:* The COP must decide on the dates for the sessional periods in 2022. It may wish to invite interested Parties to present offers to host COP 25 and COP 26 and to take any further action it deems appropriate.

(h) Adoption of the report on credentials

33. *Background:* According to rule 19 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, the credentials of representatives of Parties, as well as the names of alternate representatives and advisers, shall be submitted to the secretariat not later than 24 hours after the opening of the session. Any later change in the composition of the delegations shall also be submitted to the secretariat. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs or, in the case of a regional economic integration organization, by the competent authority of that organization. The Bureau will examine the credentials and submit its report on credentials for adoption by the COP (see rule 20 of the draft rules of procedure). Representatives shall be entitled to participate provisionally in the session, pending a decision by the COP to accept their credentials (see rule 21 of the draft rules of procedure). Only Parties with valid credentials would be able to participate in the adoption of amendments to the Convention, a protocol or another legal instrument. The COP will have before it for adoption the report on credentials, to be submitted by the Bureau.

34. *Action:* The COP will be invited to adopt the report on credentials of the representatives of Parties attending COP 23. Representatives may participate provisionally, pending this action.

3. Reports of the subsidiary bodies

(a) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

35. *Background:* The Chair of the SBSTA will report, inter alia, on any recommendations of draft decisions or conclusions for consideration and adoption at COP 23 arising from the work conducted at SBSTA 46 and 47 and on any other issues that have been mandated for consideration by the SBSTA.

36. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take note of the progress made in the work of the SBSTA in 2017 and to consider the recommended draft decisions or conclusions for adoption.

<i>FCCC/SBSTA/2017/4 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on its forty-sixth session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>
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(b) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation

37. *Background:* The Chair of the SBI will report, inter alia, on any recommendations of draft decisions or conclusions for consideration and adoption at COP 23 arising from the work conducted at SBI 46 and 47 and on any other issues that have been mandated for consideration by the SBI.

38. *Action:* The COP will be invited to take note of the progress made in the work of the SBI in 2017 and to consider the recommended draft decisions or conclusions for adoption.

<i>FCCC/SBI/2017/7 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on its forty-sixth session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>
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¹⁸ FCCC/SBI/2017/7, paragraphs 112 and 115.

(c) Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement

39. *Background:* COP 21 established the APA to prepare for the entry into force of the Paris Agreement and for the convening of CMA 1. The Co-Chairs of the APA will report on the progress of its work in preparing for the convening of CMA 1.

40. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the report of the APA on the progress of its work in 2017 and to take any action it deems appropriate.

FCCC/APA/2017/2	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the third part of its first session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>
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4. Preparations for the implementation of the Paris Agreement and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

41. *Background:* COP 21 decided to oversee the implementation of the work programme resulting from the relevant requests contained in decision 1/CP.21.¹⁹ Further, at the invitation of the CMA, COP 22 decided to continue to oversee the implementation of the work programme under the Paris Agreement, to conclude the work programme as soon as possible and to forward the outcomes to CMA 1.3, at the latest, for its consideration and adoption.²⁰

42. The COP also decided to convene a joint meeting with CMA 1.2 in order to review progress in the implementation of the work programme under the Paris Agreement.²¹

43. The Presidents of COP 22 and 23 will report on the preparations for the 2018 facilitative dialogue, informed by their consultations with Parties.²²

44. *Action:* The COP will be invited to review, jointly with the CMA, progress in the implementation of the work programme under the Paris Agreement and to take any action it deems appropriate. The COP may also wish to take any action it deems appropriate regarding the 2018 facilitative dialogue.

FCCC/SBSTA/2017/4	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice on its forty-sixth session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>
FCCC/SBI/2017/7	<i>Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation on its forty-sixth session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>
FCCC/APA/2017/2	<i>Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Paris Agreement on the third part of its first session, held in Bonn from 8 to 18 May 2017</i>

5. Consideration of proposals by Parties for amendments to the Convention under Article 15

45. *Background:* Article 15 of the Convention contains procedures for amending the Convention. In accordance with Article 15, Parties submitted two proposals for consideration at COP 17.

(a) Proposal from the Russian Federation to amend Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention

46. *Background:* By a letter dated 24 May 2011, the Russian Federation transmitted to the secretariat the text of a proposal for an amendment to Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention. The secretariat communicated the proposal to Parties and signatories to the

¹⁹ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 9.

²⁰ Decision 1/CP.22, paragraphs 7 and 12.

²¹ Decision 1/CP.22, paragraph 11.

²² Decision 1/CP.22, paragraph 16.

Convention six months before COP 17 and sent it, for information, to the Depositary on 22 June 2011.

47. COP 22 agreed that this matter would be included on the provisional agenda for COP 23, noting the understanding that it would be held in abeyance for the session.²³

48. *Action:* The COP will be invited to hold this sub-item in abeyance at the adoption of the agenda.

<i>FCCC/CP/2011/5</i>	<i>Proposal from the Russian Federation to amend Article 4, paragraph 2(f), of the Convention. Note by the secretariat</i>
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(b) Proposal from Papua New Guinea and Mexico to amend Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention

49. By a letter dated 26 May 2011, Papua New Guinea and Mexico transmitted to the secretariat the text of a proposal for amendments to Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention. The secretariat communicated the proposal to Parties and signatories to the Convention six months before COP 17 and sent it, for information, to the Depositary on 22 June 2011.

50. At COP 17, the President noted that a revised proposal had been received.²⁴ COP 22 decided to include the matter on the provisional agenda for COP 23.²⁵

51. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the proposal and to take any action it deems appropriate.

<i>FCCC/CP/2011/4/Rev.1</i>	<i>Revised proposal from Papua New Guinea and Mexico to amend Articles 7 and 18 of the Convention. Note by the secretariat</i>
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6. Report of the Adaptation Committee

52. *Background:* COP 17 requested the Adaptation Committee to report annually to the COP through the subsidiary bodies.²⁶

53. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBSTA and the SBI for their consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the Adaptation Committee.

<i>FCCC/SB/2017/2</i>	<i>Report of the Adaptation Committee</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/6053 and www.unfccc.int/6558.php

7. Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts

54. *Background:* COP 19 established the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts, including extreme events and slow onset events, in developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change.²⁷

55. COP 19 also established an Executive Committee that shall function under the guidance of, and be accountable to, the COP to guide the implementation of the functions of the Warsaw International Mechanism, and requested the Executive Committee to report annually to the COP through the SBSTA and the SBI and to make recommendations, as appropriate.²⁸ COP 21 adopted the Paris Agreement, which states in its Article 8, paragraph

²³ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraph 72.

²⁴ FCCC/CP/2011/4/Rev.1.

²⁵ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraph 75.

²⁶ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 96.

²⁷ Decision 2/CP.19, paragraph 1.

²⁸ Decision 2/CP.19, paragraphs 2 and 3.

2, that the Warsaw International Mechanism shall be subject to the authority and guidance of the CMA.²⁹

56. COP 21 requested the Executive Committee to establish a clearing house for risk transfer that serves as a repository for information on insurance and risk transfer, and a task force to develop recommendations for integrated approaches to avert, minimize and address displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change. It also requested the Executive Committee to report on progress thereon in its annual report.³⁰

57. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBSTA and the SBI for their consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the Executive Committee.

<i>FCCC/SB/2017/1 and Add. 1</i>	<i>Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism on Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/7545 and www.unfccc.int/6558.php

8. Development and transfer of technologies and implementation of the Technology Mechanism

(a) Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network

58. *Background:* COP 16 decided that the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and the CTCN shall report to the COP, through the subsidiary bodies, on their respective activities and the performance of their respective functions.³¹

59. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBSTA and the SBI for their consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI. The COP will also be invited to elect members of the Advisory Board of the CTCN and the TEC.

<i>FCCC/SB/2017/3</i>	<i>Joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network for 2017</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/ttclear/ and www.unfccc.int/6558.php

(b) Review of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network

60. *Background:* COP 17 agreed on the arrangements to make the Technology Mechanism fully operational in 2012 and adopted the terms of reference for the CTCN and the selection process for the host of the Climate Technology Centre (CTC).³² It requested the secretariat, subject to the availability of resources, to commission an independent review of the effective implementation of the CTCN four years after its inception.³³ The findings of the review, including any recommendations regarding enhancing the performance of the CTCN, will be considered by the COP. Subsequently, periodic independent reviews of the effectiveness of the CTCN will be conducted every four years.

61. COP 17 decided that the initial term of the agreement to host the CTC will be for five years, with two four-year renewal periods, if so decided by the COP.³⁴ The renewal of the

²⁹ See also decisions 1/CP.22, paragraph 7, and 1/CMA.1, paragraph 5.

³⁰ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraphs 48–50.

³¹ Decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 126.

³² Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 133.

³³ Decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 20.

³⁴ Decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 21.

agreement is subject to the host organization fulfilling its functions laid out in decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 2, and its responsiveness to the direction given to it in decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraphs 4–6, as identified in the findings of the independent review, referred to in paragraph 60 above.

62. COP 18 decided that the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), as the leader of the consortium of partner institutions, would be selected as the host of the CTC for an initial term of five years, with possible renewal if so decided by COP 23.³⁵ COP 18 adopted a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the COP and UNEP regarding the hosting of the CTC.³⁶

63. At the request of the COP referred to in paragraph 60 above, the secretariat has commissioned an independent review. The report containing the findings of and recommendations arising from the review will be made available for consideration at COP 23.

64. *Action:* The COP will be invited:

(a) To consider the findings of, and recommendations arising from, the independent review referred to in paragraph 60 above and to determine any further follow-up actions for enhancing the performance of the CTCN;

(b) To consider matters relating to the renewal of the MOU between the COP and UNEP regarding the hosting of the CTC and to determine any follow-up action, as appropriate.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/3</i>	<i>Report on the independent review of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/ttclear/

9. Second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention

65. *Background:* Article 4, paragraph 2(d), of the Convention provides that a second review of the adequacy of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), shall take place not later than 31 December 1998. At COP 4, the COP President informed Parties that it had proved impossible to reach any agreed conclusions or decisions on the matter. During the consideration of the provisional agenda for COP 5, the Group of 77 and China proposed amending the item to read “Review of the adequacy of implementation of Article 4, paragraph 2(a) and (b), of the Convention”. There was no agreement on this and the COP adopted the agenda for that session with the item held in abeyance. This item was included on the provisional agendas for COP 6 up to and including COP 12, with a footnote reflecting the amendment proposed by the Group of 77 and China. COP 13, acting on a proposal by the President, decided to invite the Executive Secretary to reflect on the situation in the light of developments at that session and come forward with proposals to be considered at SBI 28. On a proposal by the President, and on the basis of the recommendation made by the SBI, it was decided at COP 14 to defer consideration of this item to COP 16.³⁷ COP 16, acting on a proposal by the President, deferred its consideration of the item, pursuant to rule 13 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, to COP 17. At COP 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, the agenda was adopted with the item held in abeyance and the President undertook consultations on the matter and reported back to Parties on the outcome of the consultations. COP 22 agreed that, in accordance with rule 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, this item will be considered at COP 23.

66. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider this item and to take any action it deems appropriate.

³⁵ Decision 14/CP.18, paragraph 2.

³⁶ Decision 14/CP.18, annex I.

³⁷ FCCC/CP/2008/7, paragraph 10.

10. Matters relating to finance

(a) Long-term climate finance

67. *Background:* COP 20 requested the secretariat to organize annual in-session workshops through to 2020 and to prepare a summary report on the workshops for annual consideration by the COP and the biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance.³⁸ COP 22 decided that in 2017 the in-session workshops would, with a view to scaling up climate finance for mitigation and adaptation, focus on experience and lessons learned in relation to:

- (a) Articulating and translating needs identified in country-driven processes into projects and programmes;
- (b) Roles and policies and enabling environments for mitigation and adaptation finance;
- (c) Facilitating enhanced access.³⁹

68. COP 22 requested the secretariat to prepare a compilation and synthesis of the biennial submissions on the strategies and approaches for scaling up climate finance from 2014 to 2020, in order to inform the in-session workshops.⁴⁰

69. An in-session workshop on long-term climate finance was organized in conjunction with the forty-sixth sessions of the subsidiary bodies and APA 1.3 in May 2017. The secretariat prepared a summary report on the workshop for consideration by the COP.

70. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the summary report on the workshop and to take any necessary action as deemed appropriate. The COP will also be invited to provide guidance on the organization of future workshops on long-term climate finance.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/4</i>	<i>In-session workshop on long-term climate finance in 2017. Summary report by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/8</i>	<i>Second biennial high-level ministerial dialogue on climate finance: a multi-stakeholder approach to the mobilization and delivery of adaptation finance. Note by the President</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/6814.php

(b) Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance

71. *Background:* COP 17 decided that the Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) shall, at each ordinary session of the COP, report and make recommendations to the COP, for its consideration, on all aspects of its work.⁴¹

72. COP 22 requested the SCF to report to COP 23 on the progress made in the implementation of its workplan.⁴²

73. COP 22 adopted the terms of reference for the review of the functions of the SCF. Furthermore, SBI 46 was requested to initiate work on the review of the functions of the SCF in accordance with the terms of reference contained in the annex to decision 9/CP.22, taking into account the submissions referred to in paragraph 3 of decision 9/CP.22. Additionally, SBI 47 was requested to complete the work on the review of the SCF with a view to recommending a draft decision on the matter for consideration and adoption at COP 23.⁴³

³⁸ Decision 5/CP.20, paragraph 12.

³⁹ Decision 7/CP.22, paragraph 12.

⁴⁰ Decision 7/CP.22, paragraph 10.

⁴¹ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 120.

⁴² Decision 8/CP.22, paragraph 11.

⁴³ Decision 9/CP.22, paragraphs 1, 4 and 6.

74. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the report of the SCF and to take any action it deems appropriate. The COP will also be invited to consider and adopt the draft decision prepared by the SBI on the review of the functions of the SCF.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/9</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>FCCC/TP/2017/4</i>	<i>Review of the functions of the Standing Committee on Finance. Technical paper by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/6877

(c) Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Green Climate Fund

75. *Background:* The Board of the GCF submits an annual report to the COP, as provided for in its governing instrument, containing information such as on the implementation of the guidance provided at COP 22⁴⁴ and in any other relevant decisions of the COP.

76. The SCF will provide draft guidance to the GCF for consideration by the COP based on the annual report of the GCF to the COP, inputs from the thematic bodies under the Convention and views submitted by Parties.⁴⁵

77. *Action:* The COP will be invited to provide guidance to the GCF on policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria, taking into consideration the reports of the GCF and the SCF as well as the annual report to the COP on the operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/5 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Green Climate Fund to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/9</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/INF.3</i>	<i>Operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/5869

(d) Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility

78. *Background:* The MOU between the COP and the Council of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) provides that the GEF will report annually to the COP on the implementation of the guidance received. The GEF is expected to report on actions taken to implement the guidance provided at COP 22⁴⁶ and in any other relevant decisions of the COP.

79. The SCF will provide draft guidance to the GEF for consideration by the COP based on the annual report of the GEF to the COP, inputs from the thematic bodies under the Convention and views submitted by Parties.⁴⁷

80. *Action:* The COP will be invited to provide guidance to the GEF on policies, programme priorities and eligibility criteria, taking into consideration the reports of the GEF and the SCF as well as the annual report to the COP on the operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/7 and Add.1</i>	<i>Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties. Note by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/CP/2017/9</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>

⁴⁴ Decision 10/CP.22, paragraph 16.

⁴⁵ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 121(c).

⁴⁶ Decision 11/CP.22, paragraph 22.

⁴⁷ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 121(c).

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/INF.3</i>	<i>Operation of the registry of nationally appropriate mitigation actions. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/3655

(e) Sixth review of the Financial Mechanism

81. *Background:* COP 4 decided to review the Financial Mechanism every four years in accordance with Article 11, paragraph 4, of the Convention.⁴⁸ COP 17 decided that the SCF shall assist the COP in exercising its functions with respect to the Financial Mechanism by, inter alia, providing expert input, including through independent reviews and assessments, to the preparation and conduct of the periodic reviews of the Financial Mechanism by the COP.⁴⁹

82. COP 20 decided to initiate the sixth review of the Financial Mechanism at COP 22, in accordance with the criteria contained in the guidelines annexed to decision 8/CP.19, or as the guidelines may be subsequently amended.⁵⁰ COP 22 adopted the updated guidelines for the sixth review and requested the SCF to provide expert input to the review, with a view to the review being finalized at COP 23.⁵¹

83. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider the expert input provided by the SCF and to adopt a decision concluding the sixth review of the Financial Mechanism.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/9</i>	<i>Report of the Standing Committee on Finance</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/3658

(f) Process to identify the information to be provided by Parties in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement

84. *Background:* The COP decided to initiate, at COP 22, a process to identify the information to be provided by Parties, in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement, with a view to providing a recommendation for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.⁵² COP 22 requested the secretariat to organize a round-table discussion among Parties during the forty-sixth sessions of the subsidiary bodies and to prepare a summary report thereon for consideration at COP 23.⁵³

85. *Action:* The COP will be invited to advance work on this matter with a view to providing a recommendation for consideration and adoption at CMA 1.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/INF.2</i>	<i>Round-table discussion on the process to identify information to be provided under Article 9, paragraph 5, of the Paris Agreement. Summary report by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/10157

11. Reporting from and review of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention

86. *Background:* SBSTA 46 recommended a draft decision on the training programme for review experts for the technical review of biennial reports and national communications of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention for consideration and adoption at COP 23.⁵⁴

⁴⁸ Decision 3/CP.4, paragraph 2.

⁴⁹ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 121(e).

⁵⁰ Decision 9/CP.20, paragraph 8.

⁵¹ Decision 12/CP.22, paragraphs 1 and 2.

⁵² Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 55.

⁵³ Decision 13/CP.22, paragraphs 2 and 3.

⁵⁴ Contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2017/4/Add.1.

87. See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations⁵⁵ for further details.

88. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI. The COP will also be invited to consider and adopt the draft decision referred to in paragraph 86 above.

12. Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

89. *Background:* See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

90. COP 17 decided to revise the modalities and guidelines for international consultation and analysis on the basis of experience gained in the first round, by no later than 2017.⁵⁶

91. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

13. Capacity-building under the Convention

92. *Background:* The Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) is mandated to prepare annual technical progress reports on its work for submission to the COP through the SBI and will make these reports available at the sessions of the SBI coinciding with the session of the COP.⁵⁷

93. COP 22 requested the SBI to organize the first meeting of the PCCB in conjunction with the forty-sixth sessions of the subsidiary bodies.⁵⁸ Further, the PCCB was requested to develop and adopt its working modalities and procedures at its first meeting.⁵⁹

94. See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

95. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

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Annual technical progress report of the Paris Committee on Capacity-building

Further information

www.unfccc.int/10251

14. Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention

(a) Implementation of the Buenos Aires programme of work on adaptation and response measures (decision 1/CP.10)

96. *Background:* See the SBSTA 47 provisional agenda and annotations⁶⁰ and the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

97. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBSTA and the SBI for their consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBSTA and the SBI.

(b) Matters relating to the least developed countries

98. *Background:* See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

99. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

⁵⁵ FCCC/SBI/2017/8.

⁵⁶ Decision 2/CP.17, paragraph 58(c).

⁵⁷ Decision 2/CP.22, annex, paragraph 17.

⁵⁸ Decision 2/CP.22, paragraph 6.

⁵⁹ Decision 2/CP.22, paragraph 5.

⁶⁰ FCCC/SBSTA/2017/5.

15. Assessment of the technical examination processes on mitigation and adaptation

100. *Background:* COP 19 decided to intensify, from 2014, the technical examination of opportunities for actions with high mitigation potential, including those with adaptation and sustainable development co-benefits, with a focus on the implementation of policies, practices and technologies that are substantial, scalable and replicable, with a view to promoting voluntary cooperation on concrete actions in relation to identified mitigation opportunities in accordance with nationally defined development priorities.⁶¹ COP 20 decided to continue the technical examination of opportunities with high mitigation potential, including those with adaptation, health and sustainable development co-benefits, in the period 2015–2020.⁶² In addition, COP 21 decided to launch, in the period 2016–2020, a technical examination process on adaptation.⁶³

101. COP 21 also decided to conduct an assessment of the technical examination processes on mitigation⁶⁴ and adaptation⁶⁵ in 2017.

102. *Action:* The COP will be invited to assess the technical examination processes and to take any action it deems necessary.

<i>Further information</i>	<p><i>For adaptation:</i> http://tep-a.org</p> <p><i>For mitigation:</i> http://unfccc.int/resource/climateaction2020/http://unfccc.int/files/paris_agreement/application/pdf/gca_approach.pdf</p>
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16. Gender and climate change

103. *Background:* COP 22 requested the secretariat to continue to prepare the annual report on gender composition in accordance with decisions 23/CP.18 and 18/CP.20.⁶⁶

104. In addition, COP 22 decided to convene annual in-session workshops to be held in conjunction with the sessions of the subsidiary bodies in the first sessional periods of 2018 and 2019. It requested the SBI to elaborate the topics for the workshops during 2017 and to report on the topics that it recommends for the workshops to COP 23.⁶⁷

105. Further, COP 22 requested the secretariat to prepare a technical paper on achieving the goal of gender balance as mandated by decisions 36/CP.7 and 23/CP.18, for consideration at COP 23.⁶⁸

106. See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

107. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

<i>FCCC/CP/2017/6</i>	<i>Gender composition. Report by the secretariat</i>
<i>FCCC/TP/2017/8</i>	<i>Achieving the goal of gender balance. Technical paper by the secretariat</i>
<i>Further information</i>	www.unfccc.int/7516.php

⁶¹ Decision 1/CP.19, paragraph 5(a).

⁶² Decision 1/CP.20, paragraph 19.

⁶³ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 124.

⁶⁴ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 113.

⁶⁵ Decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 131.

⁶⁶ Decision 21/CP.22, paragraph 19.

⁶⁷ Decision 21/CP.22, paragraphs 11 and 12.

⁶⁸ Decision 21/CP.22, paragraph 20.

17. Other matters referred to the Conference of the Parties by the subsidiary bodies

108. *Background:* Any other matters concerning the Convention referred to the COP by the subsidiary bodies will be taken up under this agenda item.

109. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider for adoption any other draft decisions or conclusions recommended by the subsidiary bodies under this agenda item.

18. Administrative, financial and institutional matters**(a) Audit report and financial statements for 2016**

110. *Background:* See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

111. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

(b) Budget performance for the biennium 2016–2017

112. *Background:* See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

113. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

(c) Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019

114. *Background:* SBI 46 recommended a draft decision on the programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019 for consideration and adoption at COP 23.⁶⁹

115. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider and adopt the draft decision referred to in paragraph 114 above.

(d) Decision-making in the UNFCCC process

116. *Background:* COP 22 received a report from the President of COP 21 on the forward-looking, open-ended informal consultations on decision-making in the UNFCCC process that were convened in conjunction with SBSTA 44.⁷⁰ COP 22 continued consideration of this matter; however, Parties were unable to conclude their consideration. In accordance with rules 10(c) and 16 of the draft rules of procedure being applied, this matter has been included on the provisional agenda for COP 23.

117. *Action:* The COP will be invited to consider this matter and to take any action it deems appropriate.

(e) Review of the process established by decision 14/CP.1 relating to the selection and nomination of the Executive Secretary (at the level of Under-Secretary-General) and the Deputy Executive Secretary (at the level of Assistant Secretary-General)

118. *Background:* COP 22 requested SBI 46 to consider this matter with a view to forwarding a recommendation to COP 23.⁷¹

119. See the SBI 47 provisional agenda and annotations for further details.

120. *Action:* The COP will be invited to refer this sub-item to the SBI for its consideration and to take any action it deems appropriate on the basis of the recommendations of the SBI.

FCCC/CP/2016/INF.2 Background information on decision 14/CP.1 and the process to appoint the Executive Secretary. Note by the secretariat

⁶⁹ Contained in document FCCC/SBI/2017/7/Add.1.

⁷⁰ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraphs 139 and 140.

⁷¹ FCCC/CP/2016/10, paragraph 148.

19. High-level segment

121. The inauguration of the high-level segment will take place in the afternoon of Wednesday, 15 November. National statements will be heard in the joint plenary meetings of the COP, the CMP and the CMA to be held on Wednesday, 15 November, and Thursday, 16 November, followed by the statements of the representatives of intergovernmental and observer organizations.

122. The COP, the CMP and the CMA will hold separate meetings on Friday, 17 November, to conclude their work.

(a) Statements by Parties

123. National statements may be delivered by the Head of State or Government, a minister or the head of delegation.

124. There will be one list of speakers and each Party, including Parties to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, may speak only once. Parties may wish to note that, as per SBI guidance urging Parties and presiding officers to conclude conferences in a timely manner,⁷² statements must not exceed three minutes. Statements on behalf of groups, where other members of the group do not speak, are strongly encouraged and will be accorded additional time. Time limits will be strictly enforced. Following United Nations practice, a mechanism, in this case a bell system, will signal to speakers when the time limit has been exceeded. Speakers will be interrupted should they exceed the time limit.

125. The full text of the official statements will be posted on the UNFCCC website and will not be circulated in hard copy. In order to have a statement posted on the UNFCCC website, Parties speaking at the high-level segment are requested to send a copy of the statement in advance to external-relations@unfccc.int.

126. Registration for the list of speakers will be open from Monday, 10 July, to Friday, 27 October 2017. Information related to the list, including a registration form, was included in the notification of the sessions sent to Parties on 10 July 2017.⁷³

(b) Statements by observer organizations

127. Representatives of intergovernmental and observer organizations will be invited to make statements upon conclusion of the national statements. The time limit of two minutes per statement will be strictly enforced (see para. 124 above). The full text of the official statements will be posted on the UNFCCC website and will not be circulated in hard copy (see para. 125 above).

20. Other matters

128. Any other matters for the attention of the COP will be taken up under this agenda item.

21. Conclusion of the session**(a) Adoption of the draft report of the Conference of the Parties on its twenty-third session**

129. *Background:* A draft report on the session will be prepared for adoption by the COP at the end of the session.

130. *Action:* The COP will be invited to adopt the draft report and authorize the Rapporteur to complete the report after the session under the guidance of the President and with the assistance of the secretariat.

⁷² FCCC/SBI/2014/8, paragraph 218.

⁷³ http://unfccc.int/files/parties_and_observers/notifications/application/pdf/notification_to_parties_cop_23.pdf.

(b) Closure of the session

131. The President will declare the session closed.
