Decision 10/CP.26

Review of the constitution of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, regarding the functions of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network,

Also recalling decision 14/CP.18, annex II, regarding the constitution of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network,

Pursuant to decision 14/CP.18, annex II, paragraph 16,

- 1. *Agrees* to amend the constitution of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network to that contained in the annex;
- 2. *Notes* that the amendment of the constitution of the Advisory Board should ensure its effective functioning.

Annex

Constitution of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network

- 1. The Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), with the aim of achieving fair and balanced representation, shall constitute the following:
- (a) Eighteen government representatives, comprising equal representation of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention (Annex I Parties) and Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention (non-Annex I Parties) and, for non-Annex I Parties, ensuring equitable representation of the United Nations regional groups;
- (b) The Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Technology Executive Committee in their official capacity as Technology Executive Committee representatives;
- (c) One of the Co-Chairs, or a member designated by the Co-Chairs, of the Green Climate Fund Board in their official capacity as a Green Climate Fund representative;
- (d) The Chair or the Vice-Chair of the Adaptation Committee, or a member designated by the Chair and the Vice-Chair, in their official capacity as an Adaptation Committee representative;
- (e) One of the Co-Chairs, or a member designated by the Co-Chairs, of the Standing Committee on Finance in their official capacity as a Standing Committee on Finance representative;
- (f) The Director of the CTCN in their official capacity as the CTCN representative;
- (g) Six representatives, with one being selected by each of the following UNFCCC observer organization constituencies: environmental, business and industry, research and independent, and youth non-governmental organizations; indigenous peoples organizations; and the women and gender constituency, with relevant expertise in technology, finance or business, received by the host organization of the Climate Technology Centre, taking into account balanced geographical representation.
- 2. The Advisory Board will invite representatives of relevant constituted bodies and expert observers to attend its meetings on the basis of specific items on the agenda, in accordance with the modalities and procedures developed by the Advisory Board at its 1st meeting.¹
- 3. The Director of the CTCN shall be the secretary of the Advisory Board.
- 4. Government representatives shall be nominated by their respective groups or constituencies and elected by the Conference of the Parties (COP). Groups or constituencies are encouraged to nominate the government representatives to the Advisory Board, with a view to achieving an appropriate balance of expertise relevant to the development and transfer of technologies for adaptation and mitigation, taking into account the need to achieve gender balance in accordance with decisions 36/CP.7 and 23/CP.18.
- 5. Government representatives elected to the Advisory Board shall serve for a term of two years and shall be eligible to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms of office. The following rules shall apply:
- (a) Half of the representatives shall be elected initially for a term of three years and half shall be elected for a term of two years;
- (b) Thereafter, the COP shall elect half of the representatives every year for a term of two years;
 - (c) The representatives shall remain in office until their successors are elected.

¹ See decision 25/CP.19, annex I.

- 6. If a government representative of the Advisory Board resigns or is otherwise unable to complete the assigned term of office or to perform the functions of that office, the Advisory Board may decide, bearing in mind the proximity of the next session of the COP, to appoint another representative from the same constituency to replace said representative for the remainder of that representative's mandate, in which case the appointment shall count as one term.
- 7. The representatives of the Advisory Board referred to in paragraph 1(b) above shall serve in accordance with their term of office.
- 8. The representatives of the Advisory Board referred to in paragraph 1(c–e) above shall serve in accordance with their term of office.
- 9. The representatives of the Advisory Board referred to in paragraph 1(g) above shall be eligible to serve for a maximum term of office of two years.²
- 10. Decisions of the Advisory Board will be taken by consensus by only the Advisory Board representatives referred to in paragraph 1(a–b) above. These representatives will specify in the modalities and procedures of the Advisory Board how to adopt decisions in the event that all efforts at reaching consensus have been exhausted.
- 11. The Advisory Board shall elect annually a Chair and a Vice-Chair from among the representatives referred to in paragraph 1(a) above for a term of one year each, with one being from an Annex I Party and the other being from a non-Annex I Party. The positions of Chair and Vice-Chair shall alternate annually between a representative of an Annex I Party and a representative of a non-Annex I Party.
- 12. If the Chair is temporarily unable to fulfil the obligations of the office, the Vice-Chair shall serve as Chair. In the absence of the Chair and the Vice-Chair at a particular meeting, any other representatives identified in paragraph 1(a) above designated by the Advisory Board shall temporarily serve as the chair of that meeting.
- 13. If the Chair or the Vice-Chair is unable to complete the term of office, the Advisory Board shall elect a replacement to complete the term of office, taking into account paragraph 6 above.
- 14. The meetings of the Advisory Board shall be open to attendance, as observers, by Parties, the secretariat and observer organizations, except where otherwise decided by the Advisory Board.
- 15. The Climate Technology Centre shall support and facilitate the work of the Advisory Board of the CTCN.

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² See decision 13/CP.24, para. 16.

Decision 11/CP.26

Second review of the Climate Technology Centre and Network

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.16, 2/CP.17, 1/CP.18, 14/CP.18, 14/CP.23 and 12/CP.24,

- 1. Welcomes the report on the second independent review of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (hereinafter referred to as the second independent review)¹ commissioned by the secretariat in response to decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 20, and decision 14/CP.23, paragraph 10;
- 2. Welcomes with appreciation the dialogue to consider the findings of the second independent review² organized by the secretariat;³
- 3. Also welcomes with appreciation the contributions and support provided by Parties and relevant organizations for the activities of the Climate Technology Centre and Network during the review period;
- 4. *Notes* the key findings of the second independent review regarding the relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact and sustainability of the services provided by the Climate Technology Centre and Network, as contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above;⁴
- 5. Also notes the main successes and challenges regarding the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network, as contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above;⁵
- 6. Further notes that the contribution of the Climate Technology Centre and Network to transformational change is expected to be sustainable and result in adaptation, mitigation and socioeconomic co-benefits;
- 7. Welcomes the new organizational arrangements of the Climate Technology Centre at the regional level, undertaken with the aim of enhancing support for technical assistance requests;
- 8. Also welcomes the management response of the United Nations Environment Programme to the second independent review, as contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above;⁶
- 9. Decides to renew the memorandum of understanding between the Conference of the Parties and the United Nations Environment Programme regarding the hosting of the Climate Technology Centre, as contained in annex I to decision 14/CP.18, for a further five-year period;
- 10. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to sign, on behalf of the Conference of the Parties, the memorandum of understanding referred to in paragraph 9 above;
- 11. Encourages the United Nations Environment Programme as host of the Climate Technology Centre, in collaboration with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and in consultation with the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network, to implement the recommendations contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above when implementing its further activities relevant to the work of the Climate Technology Centre and Network, including those activities relevant to the third programme of work of the Climate Technology Centre and Network;

¹ FCCC/CP/2021/3.

² See https://unfccc.int/ttclear/events/2021/2021_event07.

³ In response to decision 12/CP.24, para. 7.

⁴ FCCC/CP/2021/3, paras. 14–60.

⁵ FCCC/CP/2021/3, paras. 61–62.

⁶ FCCC/CP/2021/3, annex VIII.

- 12. Requests the Climate Technology Centre and Network to include in its joint annual report with the Technology Executive Committee for 2022 and in the subsequent reports to the Conference of the Parties, through the subsidiary bodies, information on its plans and actions undertaken in response to the recommendations contained in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above;
- 13. Notes that the Climate Technology Centre and Network continues to face challenges that need attention, including limited and insufficient financial resources and a constrained budget for implementing its mandates given its broad scope of services; administrative and communication challenges related to its management structure; lack of resources of the developing country national designated entities to better engage and fulfil its role; and limited engagement and synergies among the network members;
- 14. *Invites* the Climate Technology Centre and Network and the Technology Executive Committee to explore ways to strengthen their collaboration and thereby enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the Technology Mechanism;
- 15. Also invites the Climate Technology Centre and Network to enhance in its provision of services the engagement of private sector Network members with a view to reinforcing its position as a climate technology 'matchmaker';
- 16. *Encourages* the Climate Technology Centre and Network to enhance efforts to promote active collaboration among national designated entities;
- 17. Acknowledges the effectiveness of support provided by national designated entities to developing country Parties for requesting technical assistance from the Climate Technology Centre and Network, which led to all the requests received being deemed eligible, and encourages them to continue to provide such support;
- 18. Also encourages the Climate Technology Centre and Network to enhance its provision of support for strengthening the capacity of national designated entities in developing countries with a view to enabling them to fulfil their roles;
- 19. *Reiterates* that enhanced and sustainable financial support should be provided to the Climate Technology Centre and Network for the full and effective implementation of its mandate;
- 20. Encourages the Climate Technology Centre and Network, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme and in consultation with the Advisory Board, to liaise with the UNFCCC secretariat to further enhance resource mobilization from various sources, including the Financial Mechanism; bilateral, multilateral and private sector channels; philanthropic sources; and financial and in-kind contributions from the host organization and participants in the Network;
- 21. *Invites* the Climate Technology Centre and Network to continue working with the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism to further strengthen their linkages with the aim of scaling up the Climate Technology Centre and Network's provision of technical support to developing country Parties;
- 22. Decides to align the periodicity of the independent review of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network with the periodic assessment of the effectiveness and adequacy of the support provided to the Technology Mechanism in supporting the implementation of the Paris Agreement on matters relating to technology development and transfer⁷ by changing the periodicity of the independent review from four to five years until the Conference of the Parties reviews the functions of the Climate Technology Centre and Network at its thirty-first session (2026) and decides whether to extend its term;⁸
- 23. Requests the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to start considering, at its sixty-second session (2025), matters relating to the alignment between processes pertaining to the independent review of the Climate Technology Centre and Network and the periodic assessment of the Technology Mechanism with a view to recommending a draft decision on

⁷ See decision 1/CP.21, para. 69.

⁸ See decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, para. 23.

this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-first session;

- 24. Also requests the secretariat, pursuant to decision 2/CP.17, annex VII, paragraph 20, and subject to the availability of financial resources, to commission the third independent review of the effectiveness of the Climate Technology Centre and Network for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its thirty-first session;
- 25. Further requests the secretariat to organize a dialogue, in conjunction with the thirty-first session of the Conference of the Parties, to consider the findings of the third independent review of the effective implementation of the Climate Technology Centre and Network.

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