

Summary of actions as a result of Advisory Board meeting 11

1. The Advisory Board took note of the report given by the CTCN Director on the overall status, progress and activities of the CTCN. The Director highlighted the CTCN's progress against output indicators drawn from the 2017 Annual Operating plan, work underway to capture the impacts associated with CTCN interventions, and the importance of strategic discussions that would take place at the meeting and inform the development of the 4-year CTCN Programme of Work to coincide with the renewal of the hosting agreement between UNFCCC and UN Environment.

- The CTCN developed a draft Programme of Work (PoW) for consideration by a joint meeting of its Advisory Board task force. Inputs were provided and reflected, and a revised draft will be considered by AB12. A summary of the comments received is available as document AB/2018/12/8.2

2. The Advisory Board took note of the presentation by the co-chair of the Adaptation Committee regarding ongoing and potential future collaboration with the CTCN. The AB took note of the report of the CTCN's presentation of priority adaptation technologies at the most recent AC meeting, its offer to coordinate the regional technical expert meeting in Asia-Pacific in 2018, and its organization of a session on the means of implementation at the May 2018 meeting of the Technical Examination Process on Adaptation.

- The CTCN co-hosted the TEM-A in Korea in August 2018, a report from which is available on the CTCN website.

3. At AB9, the Advisory Board requested the consideration of the TEC to make the TEC task force on innovation and RD&D open to more members of the Advisory Board. On behalf of the AB Chair, the CTCN submitted a letter to the TEC requesting that the TEC task force on innovation and RD&D consider being open to more members of the Advisory Board.

- At TEC15, the TEC welcomed the ongoing participation of the Advisory Board in the task force on innovation and RD&D and invited the Advisory Board to nominate two to three permanent members to participate in the task force.
- At AB11, the Advisory Board nominated three members to participate in the TEC task force on innovation and RD&D, and these members took part in conference calls and contributed to the outputs of the TEC process. As one of the members is no longer on the Advisory Board, his position will be filled at AB12.

4. COP decision 14/CP.23 invited UN Environment, as host of the CTC, to respond to the findings and recommendations of the independent review for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its 48th session.

- The CTCN took steps to incorporate the recommendations of the review and implement the actions identified by its host agency, into its ongoing operations, and factored them into the development of the draft PoW that will be considered by the Advisory Board at its 12th meeting.
- The Advisory Board suggested a meeting of Network members be convened on the margins of AB12 to assist in deepening engagement with these members. The CTCN found it to be a more effective use of resources to convene Network members at its regional meetings, and made progress connecting them with NDE to discuss how they could better collaborate in support of engagement with the CTCN.

5. The CTCN presented a status update on its monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system including results of a recently conducted M&E system review. The Advisory Board noted both the importance of M&E and its associated challenges and requested that the CTCN prepare a paper describing the challenges and possible solutions.

- The CTCN continues to refine its M&E system, but addressed the monitoring and evaluation of the impacts of its technical assistance as a matter of priority in 2018. The CTCN prepared a summary report based on the analysis of its first 40 completed TAs. The report and summary of the call to discuss the analysis are available as AB12 documents AB/2018/12/3.2 and AB/2018/12/3.3 respectively.

6. The CTCN presented its updated resource mobilization strategy, intended to help the CTCN secure predictable levels and diversified sources of funding and inform the level of ambition of its 2018-2021 programme of work. The strategy outlined funding targets, proposed roles for different CTCN stakeholders as well as possible innovative approaches, and provided additional detail related to in-kind and pro bono sources. The Advisory Board took note of the presentation and made several suggestions to refine the approach put forward by the CTCN.

- The CTCN is in the process of recruiting a deputy director who will oversee donor engagement and resource mobilization. The CTC is also developing a donor reporting database that will serve to track reporting requirements as well as donor priority countries and issues, as well as contacts with donors, to ensure a more coordinated approach to resource mobilization and donor engagement.
- The CTCN also enjoyed continued success in collaborating with Korea on pro bono support for TA implementation, and looks to scale up this approach in 2019.