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CTCN Actions in response to review recommendations

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Background

- COP 17 requested the Climate Change Secretariat to commission an independent review of the effective implementation of the CTCN four years after its inception.
- Ernst and Young et Associés was selected to conduct the independent review.
- COP23 requested UN Environment to respond to the review's recommendations. The management response was prepared in consultation with UNIDO and shared with the Advisory Board at its 11th meeting.
- The final version was submitted to the Climate Change Secretariat and discussed by Parties at the 48th SB session in May 2018.
- COP 24 noted the management response of the UN Environment on the recommendations of the independent review of the effective implementation of the CTCN. The Parties requested the CTCN to include in the joint annual report of the TEC and CTCN for 2019 and in the subsequent reports to the COP information on its plans and action undertaken in response to the recommendations.

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Topic	Recommendation	To:
Governance and organization	1. Enhance NDEs awareness	Parties
	2. Enhance CTCN governance/ clarify AB role	COP, Parties
	3. Clarify developed countries NDEs role	CTCN
Funding	4. Identify additional sources of funding	UN Environment, UNIDO
	5. Enhance linkages with GCF and GEF	CTCN, GCF, GEF, Parties
TA	6. Increase efficiency of CTCN TA	CTCN, AB, NDEs
CB	7. Train NDEs to prepare requests	CTCN
Outreach and networking	8. Increase awareness in developing countries	CTCN
	9. Deepen involvement of Network Members	CTCN
M&E	10. Increase transparency of funding arrangements and impacts	CTCN
AB role	11. Operationalize recommendations	AB

Recommendation # 1

Encourage countries to enhance awareness of their NDE by relevant stakeholders and support their NDE through national institutions and cooperation with other national UNFCCC focal points.

CTCN Actions in response:

- In 2018, CTCN continued to support the information sharing among focal points of various climate initiatives and thus enhance the awareness of NDEs.
- The CTCN further supported NDEs in organizing national events to improve the preparation of country activities on technology transfer and to establish the linkages between focal points under the Convention.
- In 2018, TEC enhanced interactions with NDEs through regional NDE forums and by involving them in TEC survey.
- The CTCN further supported coordination between the focal points responsible for the Convention's technology and financial mechanisms by inviting both NDEs and NDAs to various Regional Fora.

Recommendation # 3

Encourages the CTCN to clarify the role of developed country NDEs

CTCN Actions in response:

- The CTC developed a guide describing possible roles and responsibilities of Annex I NDEs that was endorsed at the 4th meeting of the Advisory Board.
- Engagement with the NDEs from developed countries will be further enhanced by giving them a key role in private sector engagement approach of the CTCN.
- The CTCN will further expand its efforts to gather and share best practices and facilitate information flow between National Designated Entities from developing and developed countries.

Recommendation # 4

Invites UN Environment and UNIDO, as hosts of the CTCN, to identify potential sources of additional financial resources



CTCN Actions in response:

- The Deputy Director was appointed to the CTCN. This newly created role will lead the Centre's efforts in actively engaging its donors, financial institutions, private sector and other stakeholder groups and mobilizing financial resources for the CTCN.
- In 2019, the CTCN will reinforce mobilization of resources for supporting its operations, as it was described in the resource mobilization strategy presented at the 11th meeting of the Advisory Board.
- UN Environment and UNIDO have engaged their leadership to raise the profile of the CTCN among public and private stakeholders.

Recommendation # 5

Encourages the CTCN, the GEF and the GCF to continue exploring how to further facilitate the provision of sustained funding for CTCN activities and enhance operational linkages between the organizations, in line with their respective mandates



CTCN Actions in response:

- CTCN, through its host agencies, is preparing a proposal for additional support from the GEF.
- The results of CTCN survey on NDE- GEF OFPs collaboration have been included to the report of GEF to the 24th Session of the COP to the UNFCCC.
- The engagement between the CTCN and GCF is steadily increasing with respect to using the Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme of the Fund to provide technical assistance in response to country requests.
- At COP 24, the Parties invited the CTCN, GEF, and the GCF to continue enhancing their collaboration and noted the need for the engagement in supporting developing country Parties.
- The Parties invited the developing countries to seek support from the CTCN to develop and submit the technology-related projects to the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism for implementation.
- Within the scope of above-mentioned COP24 decision on linkages between the Technology and Financial Mechanisms, CTCN will continue to discuss with the GCF and GEF secretariat the possible ways to further enhance the engagement with the entities of the Financial Mechanism.

Recommendation # 6

Encourages the CTCN, its AB and NDEs to increase the efficiency of the CTCN's provision of technical assistance

CTCN Actions in response:

- Early 2018, the newly planned Fast Technical Assistance (FTA) process has been launched. The CTCN has developed procedures to provide FTA that responds to developing countries requests that are strategic, time sensitive, and smaller in scope and shorter in duration.
- The implementation of 9 Fast Technical Assistances has been completed.
- UN Environment and UNIDO will continue to put efforts into developing streamlined processes with the GCF, and defining a more programmatic approach with the GEF.

Recommendation # 7

Encourages the CTCN to continue training NDEs regularly and facilitating the elaboration of requests through its regional forums and Incubator Programme



CTCN Actions in response:

- The CTCN continues to conduct each year the Regional Fora for National Designated Entities with the objective to train NDEs on how best to tap the services of CTCN and link with other mechanisms under the Convention and stakeholders outside of it.
- The CTCN continued to implement the 'Vision to Concept' capacity building module to help countries develop a pipeline of concept notes for submission to the GCF based on the project ideas identified as priorities in the countries' climate change process.
- The CTCN continued implementing its Incubator Programme for LDCs. The CTCN Incubator Programme provides tailored support to NDEs from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) to achieve the mitigation and adaptation targets included in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) through the development of technology roadmaps.

Recommendation # 8

Encourages the CTCN to continue raising awareness of its services in developing countries

CTCN Actions in response:

- The CTCN further continues to raise awareness about its services. In 2018, the CTCN conducted specific training programmes, bringing together various stakeholders including Network members, NDEs and Consortium partners, and organized 9 technology events at COP24 engaging 750 attendees.
- The CTCN maintains an active mailing list of twelve thousand subscribers in order to circulate invitations to regional NDE forums, stakeholder forums and technology events, share information about upcoming webinars hosted by the CTCN and its partners, and notify Network members of opportunities to bid on technical assistance.
- In 2019, the CTCN will continue to deliver strengthened communication through implementing regionally tailored strategies, sharing information on climate technologies and further generating awareness of its services.
- In addition, the CTCN prepared communication material highlighting the benefits and value-added of its Network and incorporated it in the Five Year Progress report.

Recommendation # 9

Encourages the CTCN to reinforce the involvement of Network members in its activities

CTCN Actions in response:

- The CTCN continues building and strengthening its Network to enable countries to access the best available expertise to respond to their requests, and to enrich the KMS with additional expert information, knowledge and tools.
- The CTCN further expands its Network (that counts currently) 487 organizations with a wide range of sectoral expertise able to meet developing country requests for technical assistance.
- The Network members are constantly engaged in the organization of the climate technology webinars.
- Climate Technology Network members have recently begun to implement selected technical assistance on a pro-bono basis.
- The lack of funding has not made it possible to organize annual Network meetings.
- Survey design and development to identify the needs of Network members and possible ways of enhancing engagement with them.

Recommendation # 10

Encourages the CTCN to strengthen the transparency of its funding arrangements and enhance the reporting and evaluating of its impact

CTCN Actions in response:

- UN Environment has made public through the CTCN's Knowledge Management System the funding agreements with bilateral and multilateral donors.
- The transparency of CTCN funding arrangements will be further strengthened by continuing publishing funding agreements on the CTCN KMS.
- Following the guidance from the Conference of Parties of the UNFCCC, the CTCN continues to refine its M&E system and its internal procedures to capture data.
- The CTCN has started the process of hiring a Climate Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant to support its efforts to better capture the impacts of its activities and satisfy the additional reporting requirements requested by the COP24 decision on technology transfer.
- The CTCN will further update the Monitor and Evaluation section in the CTCN Knowledge Management System that enables an easier and more consistent way to capture key data. It will also provide public transparency on its methodologies used.
- In 2019, the CTCN will continue to ensure more effective donor communication through the dedicated section on the CTC website, the use of social media and e-newsletter updates.
- The CTCN will further increase communication with the Advisory Board with a specific emphasis on conveying the impacts of its work.



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