

Summary of actions as a result of Advisory Board meeting 13

1. The CTCN Deputy Director presented the Advisory Board with an update on progress of the CTCN in updating its monitoring and evaluation system as well as guidance provided to an expert to be engaged that covers the M&E of CTCN activities as well as those undertaken jointly with or by the Technology Executive Committee (TEC).
 - The CTCN, on behalf of and in cooperation with the TEC, engaged the services of a monitoring and evaluation specialist in May 2019. This action responds to 15/CP.23 paragraph 5 calling upon the Technology Mechanism to carry out monitoring and evaluation of the impacts of the implementation of their respective mandates, and to 13/CP.24 paragraph 7 to also include information on tracking of progress and on methodologies used in their report to the COP.
 - Both Secretariats provided guiding documents and participated in conference calls to inform the development of a system that will fit the rolling workplan of the TEC and aligns with the CTCN Programme of Work and Annual Operating Plans of the CTCN. This alignment is intended to ensure stakeholders can be properly informed of the progress of the TEC and CTCN in implementing their long-term workplans in support of the technology framework of the Paris Agreement.
 - The consultant met with the CTCN team in Copenhagen to further refine the M&E framework and deliver a training session on its function and requirements. Elements of the training were recorded and will form part of onboarding procedures for new staff. The consultant is currently finalizing the frameworks for both the TEC and CTCN and the CTCN expects revised indicators and methodological guidance to be incorporated into TA closure reports as of September 2019.
 - The Annual Operating Plan for 2020 is organized according to the outputs, outcomes and indicators in the revised framework. At the fifteenth meeting of the Advisory Board, the CTCN will report on its initial experience with the revised framework and present slight revisions as necessary to the outcomes, activities and indicative indicators included in the Programme of Work (2019-2022) that was agreed by the Advisory Board at its thirteenth meeting.

2. On March 27, 2019, the members of the Technology Executive Committee (TEC) and the CTCN Advisory Board met in a joint session to discuss and provide guidance on potential areas for collaboration and joint activities for the TEC and the CTCN that will support the implementation of the technology framework agreed at COP24. Members identified four overarching areas of work whose activities would benefit from increased collaboration among the bodies of the Technology Mechanism, and convened in discussion groups to brainstorm objectives, key activities and modalities for collaboration.
 - The Secretariats of the Technology Mechanism facilitated a meeting on the margins of SB50 in June to enable an ad-hoc joint working group composed of TEC and CTCN AB members to further refine the activities to be undertaken jointly by the TEC and CTCN to 2022.
 - In July and August the Chairs finalized the joint activities table found in AB/2019/14/6.1. Once agreed by the Advisory Board at AB14, this document will be included as Appendix I to the CTCN Programme of Work.

3. The Advisory Board took note of a presentation by the CTCN Deputy Director on the CTCN's overarching approach to resource mobilization, including challenges faced in engaging funding partners and planned work to be undertaken to increase the visibility and understanding of the CTCN value proposition. The presentation also addressed the interlinkages between effective outreach, engagement, monitoring and evaluation, and communication of impact and their importance to the effective resource mobilization efforts on behalf of the CTCN.
 - The Deputy Director met with several current donors in June and July to discuss opportunities to strengthen engagement and potential for future support to the CTCN.
 - The resource mobilization strategy considered at AB11 will be revised to align with the ambition of the Programme of Work and according to the direction of the newly-installed CTCN Director and presented at AB15.

4. The Advisory Board nominated Mr. Matthew Kennedy to lead intersessional advisory board task force discussions that will be open to participation from all members of the Advisory Board. An indicative list of proposed topics to be addressed includes: CTCN Annual Operating Plan for 2020, Monitoring & Evaluation, and Financial Matters. Topics and schedule will be guided by Mr. Kennedy with the support of the CTCN.
 - The Advisory Board task force met on June 22 to discuss progress in the development of the monitoring and evaluation system, the CTCN submission to the Report of the GEF to COP25 and receive an update on plans for the preparation of key AB14 documents.
 - It is expected that the AB task force will convene again between AB14 and COP25.