Decision -/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:

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1 Decision 25/CP.19, annex I.
(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.

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.

\(^2\) Decision 13/CP.24, para. 16.