

Update on non-Annex I National Communications

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SBI 32 (June 2010, Bonn)

- **Reminder: SBI 30 conclusions**

Non-Annex I Parties **encouraged** to submit project proposals for funding of their subsequent NCs **before completion of their current NCs**, in order to avoid a lack of continuity in project financing.

- **4(a). The work of the CGE (Decision 5/CP.15)**

CGE members in the room, so they can add comments or bring information regarding the ambitious work programme developed at its first meeting (Bonn, March 2010).

FCCC/SBI/2010/INF.2

Progress report on the work of the Consultative Group of Experts on National Communications from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2010/sbi/eng/inf02.pdf>

Text of conclusions **FCCC/SBI/2010/L.18** available at:

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2010/sbi/eng/l18.pdf>



SBI 32 (Cont.)

Discussions about:

- **“endorsed” v.s. “noted”, and finally “took note of and welcomed the work programme of the CGE for 2010-2012”**.
- all, or only Annex II Parties should provide resources to the CGE – **“SBI encouraged Parties included in Annex II to the Convention, and other Parties in a position to do so, to contribute financial resources and any relevant technical support”**.
- if the CGE should be responsive to, or take into consideration, current or future needs of NAI Parties and COP decisions – **“CGE to take into account the current and future needs of non-Annex I Parties and to take into consideration the provisions under the Convention and the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties”**.
- whether to prioritize one or several mandates given to the CGE (Decision 5/CP.15) - **“emphasis to be given to paragraph 2(c), and to the extent possible paragraph 2(a), of its terms of reference”**.



SBI 32 (Cont.)

- **4(b). Consideration of information contained in national communications from NAI Parties** (continued to be held in abeyance).
- **4(c). Further implementation of Article 12, paragraph 5, of the Convention**

No document presented as it was the first time this was discussed

Text of conclusions available at:

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2010/sbi/eng/l20.pdf>

No agreement on any substantial issue concerning the “frequency” of NCs (G77/C: to take into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities, no stricter obligations for NAI NCs than for AI NCs, linkage with F&T support; AI: CB is enhanced by more frequent NCs, importance of establishing and maintaining national teams).



SBI 32 (Cont.)

- **4(d). Provision of Financial and Technical (F&T)**

Support: GEF to provide lots of detailed information on the funding provided for NCs in its report to **COP 16** .

FCCC/SBI/2010/INF.3

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2010/sbi/eng/inf03.pdf>

Text of conclusions available at:

<http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/2010/sbi/eng/l17.pdf>

Main discussions:

- GEF to provide “detailed, accurate, timely and complete information” on its activities and the outcomes of the fourth GEF Assembly
- Notes that some NAI Parties expressed concerns about the way the GEF implementing agencies are disbursing funds for national communications, and that the funding is not adequate for some NAI Parties”.



SB 33 (December 2010, Cancun)

- Certain: The GEF report will be very important and will influence the discussions on the F&T support for NAI NCs.
- Possible: Replacement of current item 4(b) as it stands with “Compilation and Synthesis” of second national communications; but if no decision taken, no C&S would be possible.
- Eventually: Article 12.5 could become a joint AI/NAI agenda item.

