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Annex

Terms of reference for the 2026 review of the United Arab Emirates just transition work programme

I. Mandate

1. The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) agreed to review the effectiveness and efficiency of the United Arab Emirates just transition work programme and consider its continuation at CMA 8 (November 2026).¹
2. The CMA requested the subsidiary bodies to develop terms of reference for the review at their sixty-fourth sessions, considering, inter alia, ways to improve existing modalities, without prejudice to the outcome of the consideration of the continuation of the work programme.²
3. The review of the work programme will be conducted by the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation.

II. Objective

4. The objective of the review is to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of the work programme, as well as ways to improve its modalities, with a view to informing the consideration of the continuation of the work programme at CMA 8.

III. Scope

5. When undertaking the review, the subsidiary bodies will consider:
 - (a) Progress in implementing the work programme since its establishment;
 - (b) The extent to which all elements of the work programme, as set out in paragraph 2 of decision 3/CMA.5, have been considered in a comprehensive and balanced manner;
 - (c) Contributions of the work programme in supporting Parties' implementation of the Paris Agreement, towards the achievement of its goals as outlined in Article 2, paragraph 1, in the context of Article 2, paragraph 2;
 - (d) The usefulness of the outputs of the work programme for Parties, non-Party stakeholders, constituted bodies and relevant processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement;

¹ Decision 3/CMA.5, para. 3.

² Decision 2/CMA.7, paras. 27–28.

(e) The effectiveness and efficiency of the modalities of the work programme, including the dialogues, annual high-level ministerial round table on just transition, and reports;

(f) The inclusiveness of the modalities of the work programme, including with regard to enabling participation of Parties and non-Party stakeholders in implementing the work programme;

(g) Opportunities for improving the modalities of the work programme;

(h) The relationship between the work programme and relevant instruments, initiatives and processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and relevant entities in the United Nations system, including areas of complementary and coherence, drawing on the synthesis report on the mapping of relevant instruments, initiatives and processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement and relevant entities in the United Nations system;³

(i) Considerations of how the improved modalities of the work programme could inform or be informed by the process for the operationalization of the just transition mechanism;

IV. Sources of input

6. The review will be informed by:

(a) Forward-looking submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders called for in paragraph[s] xxx of the conclusions above;

(b) The annual summary reports on the dialogues under the work programme;

(c) The summary report on activities under the work programme prepared in accordance with paragraph 11 of decision 3/CMA.5;

(d) The mapping and synthesis report requested in paragraph 24 of decision 2/CMA.7;

(e) The informal notes summarizing the annual high-level ministerial round tables on just transition;

(f) The synthesis report prepared by the secretariat on proposals submitted by Parties and non-Party stakeholders for improving modalities in accordance with paragraph xxx of the conclusions above.

V. Modalities

7. The following modalities are to be used in conducting the review:

(a) The call for forward-looking submissions referred to in paragraph[s] xxx of the conclusions above;

(b) The consideration of the synthesis report prepared by the secretariat referred to in paragraph 5(f) above;

(c) The undertaking of the review by the subsidiary bodies through the joint contact group on the work programme at their sixty-fifth sessions (November 2026).

VI. Expected outcome

8. On the basis of the assessment undertaken in accordance with paragraphs 1–7 above, the subsidiary bodies will prepare at their sixty-fifth sessions a draft decision, including a set

³ Requested in decision 2/CMA.7, para. 24.

of recommendations that respond to the objective of the review as defined in paragraph 2 above, for consideration and adoption at CMA 8.

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