

In-session workshop on gender-responsive climate policy with a focus on mitigation action and technology development and transfer

**Bonn, Germany
8-9 June 2015**

Agenda and Annotations

Day 1: Monday, 8 June 2015

10:00 – 10:10	<p>Welcome and introduction</p> <p>Welcome and introduction: Ms. Veronica Nonhlanhla Gundu, Ministry of Environment Water and Climate, Zimbabwe</p> <p>Opening: Mr. Richard Kinley, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNFCCC</p>
10:10 – 11:15	<p>Session I: Setting the scene – Terms and concepts in the context of gender responsive policy</p> <p><i>Ms. Bridget Burns, Advocacy and communications director, Women’s Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Lorena Aguilar, Senior global gender advisor, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</i></p> <p>Format: Expert presentations followed by a moderated Q&A session involving all participants</p> <p><i>(The aim of this session is to provide a common understanding of terms and concepts in the context of gender responsive policy, particularly with regards to mitigation and technology development and transfer (i.e. the ‘what’)</i></p>
11:15 – 12:45	<p>Session II: The importance and benefits of mainstreaming gender in mitigation action and technology development and transfer</p> <p><i>Ms. Gilda Monjane, Gender Energy Advisor, Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy, Mozambique</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Mey Eltayeb Ahmed, Climate Change and Gender Adviser, Sudan</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Nino Gamisonia, Rural Community Development Agency (RCDA), Georgia</i></p> <p><i>Ms Karin Reiss, Sustainable Energy Expert of UNIDO at the ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Pashpanzhu Vitery, Director, The Kichwa Institute of Biotechnology Sacha Supai (IQBSS)</i></p> <p>Format: Expert presentations followed by a moderated Q&A session involving all participants.</p> <p><i>(The aim of this session is to highlight the importance and benefits of incorporating gender aspects into climate change policies; identifying how such policies can address the needs of women and men and their priorities with regards to mitigation and technology development and transfer. Including showcasing these benefits through case-studies.(i.e. the ‘why’ and ‘how’))</i></p>
12:45 – 13:00	<p>Day 1 – Summary</p> <p>Workshop moderator</p>



Day 2: Tuesday, 9 June 2015

10:00 – 10:15	<p>Recap of Day 1</p> <p>Workshop Moderator</p>
10:15 – 11:25	<p>Session III: Gender in UNFCCC processes and mechanisms in relation to mitigation action and technology development and transfer – challenges and opportunities</p> <p><i>Mr. Jukka Uosukainen, Director, Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Elfriede More, member, Technology Executive Committee (TEC)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Carolina Fuentes, Secretary to the Board, Green Climate Fund (GCF)</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Chizuru Aoki, Lead Environmental Specialist – Multilateral Environmental Agreements, Global Environment Facility (GEF)</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Olivier Kassi, Alternate member, clean development mechanism (CDM) Executive Board</i></p> <p>Format: Brief overviews by body chair/co-chairs, followed by a moderated Q&A session involving all participants</p> <p><i>(The aim of this session is to explore gender responsive aspects of UNFCCC processes related to mitigation and technology development and transfer, identify synergies across processes and discuss ways to strengthen gender responsiveness in these processes. (i.e. the 'how' with regards to UNFCCC processes)</i></p>
11:25 – 12:50	<p>Session IV: Enhancing gender-responsiveness in mitigation action and technology development and transfer- challenges and opportunities</p> <p><i>Ms. Liane Schaletok, Associate Director, Heinrich Boell Foundation North America</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Neth Dano, Asia Director, ETC Group</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Queensley Ajuyakpe, Programmes Manager Women Environmental Programme (WEP), Nigeria</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Aira Kalela, Senior Advisor and representative, EU</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Manuel Cocco, Principal, Climate Policy, South Pole Group</i></p> <p>Format: Expert panel discussion followed by a moderated Q&A session</p> <p><i>(The aim of this session is to identify the next steps. A discussion will highlight challenges and opportunities regarding developing and implementing gender responsive policies in the context of mitigation action and technology development and transfer. An extended Q&A session will then give all participants the opportunity to draw on all the workshop sessions and identify possible next steps.)</i></p>
12:50 – 12:55	<p>Summary</p> <p>Workshop moderator</p>
12:55-13:00	<p>Closing</p> <p><i>Mr. John Kilani, Director, Sustainable Development Mechanisms, UNFCCC</i></p>

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Annotations to the provisional agenda

I. BACKGROUND AND MANDATE

The Conference of Parties (COP) in its decision 18/CP.20 requested the secretariat to organize an in-session workshop on gender-responsive climate policy with a focus on mitigation action and technology development and transfer during forty-second session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI). The decision also invited views on the in-session workshop by interested Parties and observers by 18 February 2015.

The objectives of the in-session workshop are to:

- Increase understanding of the meanings of key gender related terms and concepts in the context of climate change policy, particularly related to climate change mitigation action and technology transfer and development.
- Enhance understanding of the steps and processes of gender mainstreaming in climate change mitigation and technology development and transfer, including the use of gender analysis results to inform climate policy and action;
- Enhance awareness and identify synergies among relevant bodies and mechanisms within the UNFCCC process for mitigation and technology development and transfer apply gender-responsive measures in their work;
- Strengthen awareness of best practices, tools/methodologies and lessons learned in developing and implementing gender-responsive climate policies and actions concerning mitigation and technology development and transfer.

Anticipated outcomes include:

- Increased awareness and knowledge of the meanings of gender mainstreaming related technical terms and language;
- Increased knowledge of gender mainstreaming steps, processes and tools in climate mitigation and technology development and transfer policy and action;
- Identification of gaps in knowledge and challenges in implementation of gender-responsive climate policy;
- Guidance on next steps to advance gender-responsiveness in climate policy in relation to mitigation action and technology development and transfer;
- Guidance on improving the gender-responsiveness of relevant bodies and mechanisms under the UNFCCC;
- A report of the in-session workshop.

II. DETERMINING THE FOCUS AND THEMES OF THE SESSIONS

A. Session one (day one): Scene setting- terms and language in gender mainstreaming, meaning and applicability in the context of gender-responsive policy.

As per interest expressed by Parties and observers in the submissions on the workshop, meanings of terms in current literature and practice both within the UN system and among non-UN actors will be presented and discussed.

Terms listed recurrently in the submissions for further clarification include gender-responsive, gender sensitive, gender transformative, gender equality, gender equity and gender-sensitive budgeting. Case studies and best practices will be used to assist in demonstrating the applicability of such terms in climate policy, particularly with regard to mitigation action and technology development and transfer.

B. Session two (day one): Discussion on current global mechanisms in light of gender-responsiveness

This session will address the importance and benefits of mainstreaming gender in climate policy; identifying how such policies can address the needs of women and men and their priorities with regards to mitigation and technology development and transfer.

Country case studies on experiences, good practices and lesson learned in developing and implementing sector specific gender responsive policies, for example in agriculture, energy and other areas will be presented followed by a moderated question and answer session.

C. Session three (day two): Gender in UNFCCC processes and mechanisms in relation to mitigation and technology development and transfer

This session aims to explore the gender-responsive aspects of UNFCCC processes related to mitigation and technology development and transfer, identify synergies across processes and discuss ways to strengthen gender responsiveness in these processes. Examples of processes that will be explored include REDD-plus¹, CDM, TNAs, CTCN, etc.

The format will include brief overviews by chair/co-chairs and case study/best practice presentations followed by a moderated question and answer session.

D. Session four (day two): Enhancing gender-responsiveness in mitigation action and technology development and transfer- challenges and opportunities

The final session will include an expert panel discussion of challenges as presented in the submissions as well as opportunities and/or lessons from good practices and case studies to overcome challenges in the process of enhancing gender-responsiveness in mitigation action and technology development and transfer. The expert discussion will be followed with discussion involving all participants to consolidate guidance for steps going forward. This session would draw on all the previous sessions of the workshop.

III. MODALITIES FOR THE IN-SESSION WORKSHOP

As indicated in decisions 18/CP.20, the secretariat is to organize the in-session workshop during the forty-second session of the SBI.

Format

The in-session workshop may combine expert and case study presentations, panel discussions, with sufficient time for substantive and interactive discussions on the thematic areas mentioned above.

¹ In decision 1/CP.16, paragraph 70, the Conference of the Parties encouraged developing country Parties to contribute to mitigation actions in the forest sector by undertaking the following activities: reducing emissions from deforestation; reducing emissions from forest degradation; conservation of forest carbon stocks; sustainable management of forests; and enhancement of forest carbon stocks.

Duration

The in-session workshop is tentatively planned as a two-part event, each part consisting of a 3-hour session. The tentative dates for the two-part event are June 8 and 9, 2015.

IV. EXPECTED DELIVERABLES FOLLOWING THE IN-SESSION WORKSHOP

According to decision 18/CP.20, the secretariat will prepare a report on the workshop for consideration by the SBI at its forty-third session.

V. PARTICIPANTS

The workshop is open to Parties, observers and the media. The workshop will also be made available through live and on-demand web-cast.
