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INFORMATION NOTE

Schedule of meetings and updated information

May-June 2021 Climate Change Conference Sessions of the Subsidiary Bodies

I refer to the notifications to <u>Parties and observer States</u>, <u>United Nations Secretariat units and bodies</u>, <u>other United Nations organizations and specialized agencies</u> and <u>admitted intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations</u> regarding the 2021 session of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (May–June) and the 2021 session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (May–June) which will be held virtually over a three-week period, from 31 May to 17 June 2021.

As indicated in the notifications, scenario notes to further elaborate the modalities for the organization of work in the respective bodies were to be prepared by the presiding officers and made available in advance of the start of the sessions, in addition to detailed and expanded information on the calendar of meetings.

In this regard, the secretariat is please to inform you that the following notes have been published on the conference page of the UNFCCC web site:

- A <u>note by the Chairs</u> of the subsidiary bodies on the modalities for session organization in the first sessional period (31 May–17 June 2021), which includes information on type, number and schedule of meetings as well as some logistical information on convening meetings with remote participation;
- Two scenario notes, outlining the scope of and approach to the work of the <u>Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice</u> (SBSTA) and the <u>Subsidiary Body for Implementation</u> (SBI). Scenario note by the <u>Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation</u>.

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In line with the guidance provided by the Bureau, and taking into account current recommendations and practices as well as challenges of working across time zones, the chairs of the subsidiary bodies in collaboration with the secretariat have prepared a schedule of meetings in preestablished timeslots based on the principle that no region benefits or is affected disproportionately.

The proposed established slots are as follows:

	-7	-6	-2	0	+1	+3:30	+6	+11
	Mexico	United	Morocco	Germany	Kenya	India	China	Samoa
Week	Central Daylight Time (CDT)	East Daylight Time (EDT)	West European Time (WET)	Central European Summer Time (CEST)	Eastern Africa Time (EAT)	Indian Standard Time (IST)	China Standard Time (CST)	Samoa Standard Time (SST)
1	06:00	07:00	11:00	13:00	14:00	16:30	19:00	00:00
2	21:00 (-1 day)	22:00 (-1 day)	02:00	04:00	05:00	07:30	10:00	15:00
3	23:00 (-1 day)	00:00	04:00	06:00	07:00	09:30	12:00	17:00

To account for the challenges and constraints of remote participation, the secretariat will make available, in advance of each week, a detailed meeting schedule for that week. Accordingly, the tentative schedule for week 1 will be made available on Monday, 24 May.

The chairs of the Subsidiary Bodies and the secretariat look forward to working with all Parties and observer organizations in the coming weeks and during the June sessions.

Any additional information regarding these sessions, including the <u>high-level overview schedule</u>, will be posted on the <u>conference web page</u>.

