MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE AD HOC WORK PROGRAMME ON THE NEW COLLECTIVE QUANTIFIED GOAL ON CLIMATE FINANCE

I am pleased to transmit to Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, United Nations organizations, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations admitted as observers a message from the co-chairs of the ad hoc work programme on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance, contained in the annex.

Yours sincerely,

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Distribution: To Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change through their national focal points and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany, United Nations organizations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties.
Dear colleagues,

We are honoured that the President of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) appointed us to co-chair the ad hoc work programme on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance in 2023 and thank him and Parties for entrusting us with this role. We wish to thank Federica Fricano (Italy) and Kishan Kumarsingh (Trinidad and Tobago) for their dedication and work throughout 2022, and we share our wish for a smooth transition to 2023.

CMA 4 requested us, as the co-chairs of the ad hoc work programme, to:

• Develop and publish by March 2023 a workplan for 2023 that includes themes for the four technical expert dialogues to be held this year;

• Invite Parties, constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, climate finance institutions, observers and observer organizations, and other stakeholders particularly from the private sector to submit inputs via the submission portal1 on each technical expert dialogue to be held in 2023, on the basis of guiding questions and well in advance of each technical expert dialogue, to allow for those inputs to be reflected in the organization of the dialogues;

• Organize the four technical expert dialogues to be held in 2023 in an open, transparent and inclusive manner, ensuring that the timing of the technical expert dialogues allows for the wide participation of all relevant stakeholders, including relevant experts;

• Provide information on the discussions held and on the way forward, including possible options, following each technical expert dialogue and in the annual report of the ad hoc work programme.

With this guidance in mind, we would like to share our aim for organizing the ad hoc work programme in 2023. We heard views in Sharm el-Sheikh on what should be discussed at the technical and political level and we aim to develop the workplan in a manner that is sensitive to the different priorities expressed by Parties. We also intend to move forward with the technical process in a structured way, by providing information and options on the outcomes of each technical expert dialogue, as mandated by Parties, in a manner that helps us arrive at a more substantive outcome at CMA 5 (November–December 2023) and to have a better sense of a possible structure, and potential substructures, of the goal. In this respect, it is our expectation, ahead of the twenty-eighth session of the Conference of the Parties (November–December 2023), to have recommendations with options for the various aspects of the goal, including elements, that could be further refined in 2024 with a view to reaching an agreement at CMA 6 (November 2024).

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1 [https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx](https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx).
We aim to convene the fifth technical expert dialogue in the first half of March 2023 to avoid clashing with observed holidays and climate finance related events scheduled to take place around the same time. We recognize that, in accordance with the Sharm el-Sheikh decision, Parties are invited to submit their views on the issues to be addressed as part of the workplan by 28 February 2023 for us to prepare and publish the workplan by March 2023. However, given the tight climate finance schedule during the first quarter of 2023 and the need to undertake preparations to be able to convene the fifth technical expert dialogue in March, we encourage submissions to be made ahead of the deadline, as presented below.

Call for submissions from Parties related to the 2023 workplan

In the light of the above-mentioned time constraints and in order to capitalise momentum from the constructive discussions in Sharm el-Sheikh, we encourage Parties to make their submissions by 6 February 2023. When preparing a submission, we encourage Parties to focus on:

- Which topics should be covered in 2023, and in which order, to arrive at a more substantive outcome this year, particularly on recommendations for the various aspects of or options for the goal;

- How the proposed topics could feed into the expected outcome for 2023 with a view to reaching an agreement on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance in 2024;

- What specific issues should be discussed, taking into consideration synergies between discussions on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance and related processes (e.g. the global stocktake, the global goal on adaptation, work on Article 2, para. 1(c)).

In order to consider all views, we will be available for bilateral consultations for interested groups of Parties and Parties during the month of February.

Call for inputs from Parties and other stakeholders related to the fifth technical expert dialogue

Furthermore, we note that Parties, constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, climate finance institutions, observers and observer organizations, and other stakeholders particularly from the private sector are invited to submit inputs on each technical expert dialogue to be held in 2023, on the basis of guiding questions, well in advance of each technical expert dialogue, to allow for those inputs to be reflected in the organization of the dialogues. Given the time constraints involved in organizing the fifth technical expert dialogue, we would also like to encourage those intending to submit inputs on the fifth technical expert dialogue to do so by 6 February 2023, in order for us to have sufficient time to organize the dialogue and hold it in the first half of March. Early submissions would allow for the wide participation of relevant stakeholders, including relevant experts. In these submissions, we encourage Parties and other stakeholders to share ideas on:

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2 FCCC/PA/CMA/2022/L.19.
• Which topic(s), subtopic(s) and specific issues are proposed for in-depth discussion at the fifth technical expert dialogue;

• What are the expected outcomes/outputs of the discussions;

• What should be the format of the fifth technical expert dialogue.

Finally, we would like to emphasize our intention to undertake the ad hoc work programme in an open, inclusive and transparent manner in order to ensure participatory representativeness. As such, we will be available for informal meetings with any Party or regional group of Parties and relevant stakeholders upon request and can be reached at NCQG@unfccc.int.

Yours sincerely,

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