

Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South

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NOTE VERBALE

The Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) presents its compliments to the esteemed Focal Points in Member States and the Centres of Excellence, and has the honour to state that the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) has invited observer organizations to recommend technical experts who would assist in the technical work under the UAE–Belém work programme.

The technical experts are expected to review and refine the compilation and mapping of existing indicators referred to in paragraph 10 of the conclusions (**Annex-1**) proposed by the Chairs of the Subsidiary Bodies of the Conference of Parties (CoP), and, as needed, develop new indicators for measuring progress achieved towards the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5 (global goal on adaptation, **Annex-2**).

The nominations of technical experts shall be made in accordance with paragraphs 15 to 17 of the aforementioned conclusions, that may include:

- a) Experts with balanced and inclusive geographical and gender representation, including experts from small island developing States and the least developed countries, taking into account recommendations of Parties, as appropriate, and giving special consideration in terms of support for participation to experts from developing countries eligible for funding under the UNFCCC process;
- b) Experts from United Nations and other intergovernmental organizations, international and regional organizations, and research and academic institutions with experience in a relevant technical area (i.e., Climate nexus with Water, Agriculture, Biodiversity, Health, Poverty, Cultural Heritage), taking into account the recommendations of these organizations and institutions;
- c) Indigenous knowledge holders;
- d) Serve in an independent capacity.

COMSATS would appreciate receiving the suggestions for nominations of relevant Technical Experts, preferably by **15th July 2024**.

The Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the esteemed Focal Points in Member States and the Centres of Excellence, the assurance of its highest consideration.

