

Contact group 3

Co-facilitators' guiding questions

I. On Institutional arrangements

On the governing body:

- Is there convergence around the idea that draft language could be developed for a Conference of the Parties to be established in the instrument, with functions as identified in paragraph 58 of the synthesis report, and using language found in existing multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) as model? Is there convergence around which MEA can be used as a model?

On subsidiary bodies:

- **On a possible subsidiary body for scientific or technical matters**, is there convergence around the idea that draft language could be developed for a scientific or technical body mandated to carry out, amongst others, the functions indicated in the zero-draft, in particular under periodic assessment and monitoring of the progress of implementation of the instrument and effectiveness evaluation?
- **On a possible implementation and compliance mechanism**, given the linkages between the draft text on a mechanism in the zero draft, which is to be considered in contact group 2, and the possible establishment of subsidiary bodies, falling within the scope of this group, how should we approach our work on this matter? Specifically, how could our own work be informed by the related work in contact group 2?
- **On a possible monitoring and assessment mechanism**, given the potential linkage between the draft text on a mechanism in the zero draft, which is to be considered in contact group 2, and the possible establishment of subsidiary bodies, falling within the scope of this group, what would be, in your view, the most effective way of approaching our work on this matter, to ensure that any institutional aspects within the scope of our group are informed by relevant work on the nature and functions of such mechanism in contact group 2?

- **On a possible financial mechanism**, given the linkage between the draft text on a financial mechanism in the zero draft, which is to be considered in contact group 2, and the possible establishment of subsidiary bodies, falling within the scope of this group, how should we approach our work on this matter?

On the secretariat:

- Is there convergence around the development of draft language for a secretariat to be established in the instrument, with functions as identified in paragraph 85 of the synthesis report, and using language found in existing MEAs as model? Is there convergence around which MEA can be used as model?

II. On final provisions

- Is there convergence around the notion that draft text for final provisions could be developed based on language found in existing MEAs, and in the standard language identified in document UNEP/PP/INC.1/8?
- Are there any particular areas where you think the specificities of this instrument would require a different treatment?

+ identification of **possible needs for intersessional work** in relation to the each of these areas, as relevant.