

LGMA Intervention for “Session 4A. Mitigation”

Thank you

- Thank you chairs. On behalf of the LGMA constituency I would like to extend our appreciation for the inclusion of observers and non-party stakeholders in the technical dialogues. Thank you also to our hosts for having us in the workshop.
- This collaborative and inclusive approach has already led to great engagement across the constituencies. We believe will be instrumental in delivering a successful global stock take.

Mitigation

- Specifically, on mitigation, we think there is a way to strengthen the possible elements of the forward-looking sections by recognizing the role of subnational government ambition and action.
- In particular, we think these elements can be strengthened by
 - Recognizing the positive impact that integrating contributions from subnational governments in NDC development and monitoring process has on their mitigation and adaptation ambition
 - Recognizing the contribution that multi-level cooperative governance and multilevel action can make to closing the gap exposed by the synthesis report and to support Parties in undertaking urgent and deep reductions in GHG emissions – CO₂ and non-CO₂.
 - to commit to including subnational governments in the planning, financing, implementation and monitoring of climate actions including the next round of NDCs due by COP30 in 2025 to make that possible.
- We agree with the remarks made by some colleagues on also including the “how” of mitigation ambition – and we think subnational governments will play a critical role in that and we think the elements of the GST outcomes can capture this opportunity in the forward-looking section. We put forward the same point for means of implementation as well – and recognize this could be an interlinkage between mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation.
- The LGMA Constituency remains committed and is ready to work collaboratively with Parties, across levels of government and across society, in the spirit of multi-level partnerships and inclusivity to accelerate climate action to limit global temperature rise to 1.5°C and enhance our adaptive capabilities in line with the Paris Agreement.

LGMA Intervention for “Session 5. Enhancing international cooperation for climate action, guidance and way forward”

- Thank you chairs, for giving us this opportunity.
- On behalf of the LGMA constituency, we commend the multiple references to role that subnational governments can play through participation in international climate initiatives that can drive climate action – particularly in the section on Engagement of non-Party stakeholders in international cooperation. We agree with the comments made by Switzerland and Japan and would like to support that point by saying that Parties should consider the role of all subnational governments including towns, cities, counties, territories, provinces, regions, states and others.
- We offer strong support for the possible elements proposed for engagement of non party stakeholders in international cooperation. This speaks to the role of local and regional governments in addressing and responding to climate change as well as contributing to progress towards the goals of the Paris Agreement. We also commend the stress placed on the urgent need for multilevel and cooperative action in the possible elements.
- In terms of possible elements of the guidance and way forward, we think there are several additional references that can be made to the role of local governments and the importance of multilevel and cooperative action which has been well reflected in the section of engagement of non party stakeholders in international cooperation.
- we welcome the possible elements proposed in 547 that encourages Parties to ensure that countries address and include GST recommendations within NDCs and long-term strategies with reference, in particular we would like to recognize importance of sub-section e), with emphasis that subnational government efforts should be seen not only as complementary but as integral part of the wider national effort to deliver NDCs.

Thank you.