

**Decision 10/CP.5**

**Capacity-building in developing countries (non-Annex I Parties)**

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* Article 4.1, 4.3, 4.5, and 4.7, in the context of Article 3, and also Articles 5 (c) and 6 (b) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change,

*Recalling further* the provisions relating to capacity-building for developing countries contained in its decisions 10/CP.2, 11/CP.2, 9/CP.3, 2/CP.4, 4/CP.4, 5/CP.4, 6/CP.4, 7/CP.4, 12/CP.4 and 14/CP.4,

*Welcoming* the submissions by Parties on the subject of capacity-building,<sup>1</sup>

*Affirming* that capacity-building is critical to the effective participation of developing countries in the Convention and Kyoto Protocol processes,

*Recognizing* the importance of taking stock of existing activities in the field of capacity-building, including the enabling activities of the Global Environment Facility,

*Acknowledging* that work has begun on implementing provisions for capacity-building contained in decisions 4/CP.4, 7/CP.4 and 14/CP.4, but that substantial work still remains to be done,

*Recognizing* that the constraints to implementing the Convention in developing countries include the lack of financial resources and appropriate institutions; the lack of access to necessary technologies and know-how, including information technology; and the lack of regular opportunities to exchange information and views among developing countries,

*Recognizing also* that developing countries, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States amongst them, because of their vulnerability to the adverse effects of climate change, require special capacity-building initiatives,

*Underlining* that capacity-building for developing countries must be country-driven, reflecting their national initiatives and priorities, and that it is primarily to be undertaken by developing countries and in developing countries in partnership with developed countries, in accordance with the provisions of the Convention,

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<sup>1</sup> See FCCC/SB/1999/MISC.9 and FCCC/SB/1999/MISC.11.