

the needs of the Parties for information on technologies and know-how to mitigate and adapt to climate change; c) to prepare a programme of work; d) to prepare an initial catalogue of adaptation technologies and know-how, including information on their costs, environmental impacts, implementation requirements, probable time frames for their introduction and utilization; and, e) to prepare a progress report on these items by CoP 3. The SBSTA also requested the Secretariat to develop papers on a) information related to the terms of transfer of technology and know-how currently available; and, b) new information on mitigation and adaptation technologies and know-how at the research and development stage.

The SBI considered policy issues related to the transfer of technology and in particular, in recognizing the complementarity of the roles of public and private sectors with regard to technology transfer, urged Annex II Parties to continue to take concrete steps to promote technology transfer, and all Parties to improve the enabling environment for private sector participation in technology transfer. The SBI requested the SBSTA to prepare recommendations for improving guidelines in national communications on the reporting of technology transfer, suggesting that modifications to guidelines should aim to improve the comprehensiveness, comparability, and detail of information in national communications. The SBI requested the Secretariat to prepare a report on technology transfer cooperation by the private sector no later than CoP 4.

Intergovernmental Technology Advisory Panels

After protracted negotiations between Annex 1 and non-Annex 1 Parties on the composition and work program of the TAPs, SBSTA session concluded with no/no final decision on its establishment. The SBSTA now will be seeking guidance from the next session of the CoP on this issue, and requested that the Chairman provide a report to the CoP on the state of negotiations in the SBSTA on the TAPs. As a way of addressing the work programme of the SBSTA, most elements were directed to the IPCC for its consideration. For those elements of the work programme that may not be appropriately covered off by the IPCC, in particular items dealing with specific, innovative technologies; methodologies for measuring the effects of policies and measures; and, adaptation technologies, the SBSTA proposed that a roster of experts could be set up in the interim. SBSTA established a deadline of April 1 for Parties to submit comments on the concept of a roster, including disciplines that such a roster might cover.

Activities Implemented Jointly (AIJ)

Unlike most other agenda items, AIJ was not discussed in the Plenary of the SBSTA until consideration of conclusions on the last day. All negotiations took place in a small contact group (12 Parties) including Canada. The conclusions represent an quote initial reporting framework unquote which permits Parties to