

Decision 12/CP.5

Implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention and matters relating to Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 5/CP.4 entitled Implementation of Article 4.8 and 4.9 of the Convention (decision 3/CP.3 and Articles 2.3 and 3.14 of the Kyoto Protocol),

Recalling also its decision 8/CP.4 on preparations for the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol,

Recognizing the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties referred to in Article 4.8 of the Convention, and the specific needs and special situations of the least developed countries referred to in Article 4.9,

Recognizing also the concern for sustainable development of the countries referred to in Article 4.8 and 4.9 of the Convention,

Taking note of the report of the expert workshop referred to in the programme of work contained in the annex to decision 5/CP.4, which was held in Bonn from 21 to 24 September 1999,¹

Recognizing that the identification of initial actions necessary to address the adverse effects of climate change and/or the impact of the implementation of response measures needs to be based on sufficient information and analysis within a clearly-defined process,

Acknowledging the efforts already made by Parties towards meeting the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries, with regard to adaptation,

Having considered the report of the above-mentioned workshop regarding the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties, and the specific needs and special situations of the least developed countries where widespread poverty limits adaptive capacity, particularly in relation to the impacts of the adverse effects of climate change on socio-economic conditions, including, *inter alia*, water resources, agriculture and food security, economic activities, coastal

¹ See FCCC/SB/1999/9.