

Summary of discussion from Informal Technical Expert Meetings held by SB Chairs (2020-2021)

1 November 2021



Background

- In 2020-2021, SB Chairs convened, under their authority, two informal technical expert meetings virtually for activities 3 and 4:
 - a) Informal event on impact of the implementation of response measures (Climate dialogue, 30 November 2020). – activity 1 and 4
 - b) Technical expert meeting on tools and methodologies for assessing the impact of the implementation of response measures (May-June Sessions, 18 May 2021). – activity 3



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Assessment of impacts of implementation of response measures:

- Assessing the impact of the implementation of response measures enables countries to maximize the positive and minimize the negative impacts of response measures.
- Undertaking assessments create awareness of use of tools for assessment and catalyze more work in this area (May-June Sessions). – activity 3
- Positive impacts can be maximized with appropriate mix of mitigation policies and supporting instruments (Climate Dialog). – activity 4
- The positive impacts of response measures should be highlighted and communicated with policymakers and citizens to enhance the acceptability of mitigation policies (June Sessions). – activity 3
- Data availability is one of the key challenges in conducting impact assessments. The absence of comprehensive and detailed national account data substantially limits the quality of analyses and the countries that can be analyzed in this way (June Sessions). – activity 3



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Challenges with use of tools and methods:

- Models and tools have some limitations and weaknesses, and methodologies need to be adjusted according to data availability. – activity 3
- Data availability is one of the key challenges in conducting impact assessments. – activity 3
- The absence of comprehensive and detailed national account data substantially limits the quality of analyses and the countries that can be analyzed in this way (June Sessions). – activity 3
- For example, in the context of Just Transition, indicators for just transition are yet to be included in impact assessment studies (June Sessions). – activity 3



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Policy considerations cross cutting:

- Gender considerations in policy impact analysis are important, and should be an integral part of impact assessments (June Sessions).
- Gender mainstreaming is one of the key elements of diversity for consensus-building processes and foster gender equality in just transition programs (June Sessions). – activity 3
- Civil rights and a bottom-up approach from governments can ensure the sustainability of climate actions (June Sessions). – activity 3
- International cooperation can help reducing/ mitigating some of the possible adverse impacts of unilaterally applied mitigation policies (Climate Dialogues). - – activity 4

