

## **E. Harvested wood products**

(Agenda item 4 (e))

### **1. Proceedings**

25. The SBSTA considered this sub-item at its 2nd and 5th meetings, on 2 and 9 December, respectively. It had before it document FCCC/TP/2003/7 and Corr.1. Statements were made by representatives of seven Parties, including one speaking on behalf of the European Community and its member States and of Hungary, Lithuania, Malta and Poland, and one on behalf of AOSIS.

26. At its 2nd meeting, the SBSTA agreed to consider this sub-item in the contact group dealing with sub-item 4 (d) of the agenda co-chaired by Ms. Margaret Mukahanana-Sangarve (Zimbabwe) and Mr. Audun Rosland (Norway). At the 5th meeting, Ms. Mukahanana-Sangarve reported on the contact group's consultations.

### **2. Conclusions**

27. At its 5th meeting, on 9 December, having considered a proposal by the Chair, the SBSTA adopted the following conclusions:<sup>11</sup>

(a) The SBSTA took note of the information contained in document FCCC/TP/2003/7 and Corr.1;

(b) The SBSTA also took note of the appendix on harvested wood products to the IPCC good practice guidance for LULUCF, of the methodologies relating to harvested wood products contained in the *Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, and of the references in the "UNFCCC guidelines for the preparation of national communications by Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, Part I: UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories";

(c) The SBSTA noted the methods for estimating and reporting of harvested wood products currently used by Annex I Parties in their national inventory reports. It decided to further consider, inter alia, issues raised by Parties in their submissions referred to in paragraph 27 (e) below regarding harvested wood products at its twentieth and twenty-first sessions, including the need, if any, for greater consistency in the accounting of imports and exports. It decided that the scope of the workshop referred to in paragraph 27 (d) below will be agreed at its twentieth session, taking into consideration the information referred to in paragraph 27 (e) below;

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<sup>11</sup> Adopted as FCCC/SBSTA/2003/L.21.

(d) The SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize, subject to the availability of supplementary funding, a workshop on harvested wood products before the twenty-first session of the SBSTA, and to prepare a report of the workshop for consideration by SBSTA at that session;

(e) The SBSTA invited Parties to submit to the secretariat, by 15 April 2004, their views on issues relating to harvested wood products which may take into account the information contained in the technical paper referred to in paragraph 27 (a) above, the appendix to the IPCC good practice guidance for LULUCF referred to in paragraph 27 (b) above, and any other relevant information. It also noted that these submissions could include national data and methodological and other information on changes in carbon stocks and emissions of greenhouse gases relating to harvested wood products, stating the approach or approaches used for this purpose.