

Decision 2/CP.14

Development and transfer of technologies

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling chapter 34 of Agenda 21 and the relevant provisions of the programme for the further implementation of Agenda 21 on the transfer of environmentally sound technologies adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its nineteenth special session,

Recalling also the relevant provisions of the Convention, in particular Article 4, paragraphs 1, 3, 5, 7, 8 and 9, Article 9, paragraph 2(c), Article 11, paragraphs 1 and 5, and Article 12, paragraphs 3 and 4,

Further recalling decisions 13/CP.3, 4/CP.7, 6/CP.10, 6/CP.11, 3/CP.12, 3/CP.13 and 4/CP.13,

1. *Welcomes* the Poznan strategic programme on technology transfer,¹ as a step towards scaling up the level of investment in technology transfer in order to help developing countries address their needs for environmentally sound technologies, and recognizes the contribution that this strategic programme could make to enhancing technology transfer activities under the Convention;

2. *Requests* the Global Environment Facility:

- (a) To promptly initiate and expeditiously facilitate the preparation of projects for approval and implementation under the strategic programme referred to in paragraph 1 above in order to help developing countries address their needs for environmentally sound technologies;
- (b) To collaborate with its implementing agencies in order to provide technical support to developing countries in preparing or updating, as appropriate, their technology needs assessments using the updated handbook for conducting technology needs assessments for climate change published by the United Nations Development Programme, to be made available in early 2009 in collaboration with the Expert Group on Technology Transfer, the UNFCCC secretariat and the Climate Technology Initiative;
- (c) To consider the long-term implementation of the strategic programme, including: addressing the gaps identified in current operations of the Global Environment Facility that relate to investment in the transfer of environmentally sound technologies; leveraging private-sector investment; and promoting innovative project development activities;
- (d) To report on the progress made in carrying out the activities referred to in paragraph 2 (a.c) above to the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth

¹ Previously referred to as the strategic programme of the Global Environment Facility (FCCC/SBI/2008/16) and renamed by the Conference of the Parties at its fourteenth session.

session, in addition to providing interim reports to the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its thirtieth and thirty-first sessions, with a view to assessing its progress and future direction in order to help inform Parties in their consideration of long-term needs for implementation of the strategic programme;

3. *Invites* Parties and relevant organizations to make submissions to the secretariat, by 16 February 2009, in accordance with paragraph 9 of the terms of reference for the review and assessment of the effectiveness of the implementation of Article 4, paragraphs 1(c) and 5, of the Convention, contained in the annex to document FCCC/SBI/2008/L.28.

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