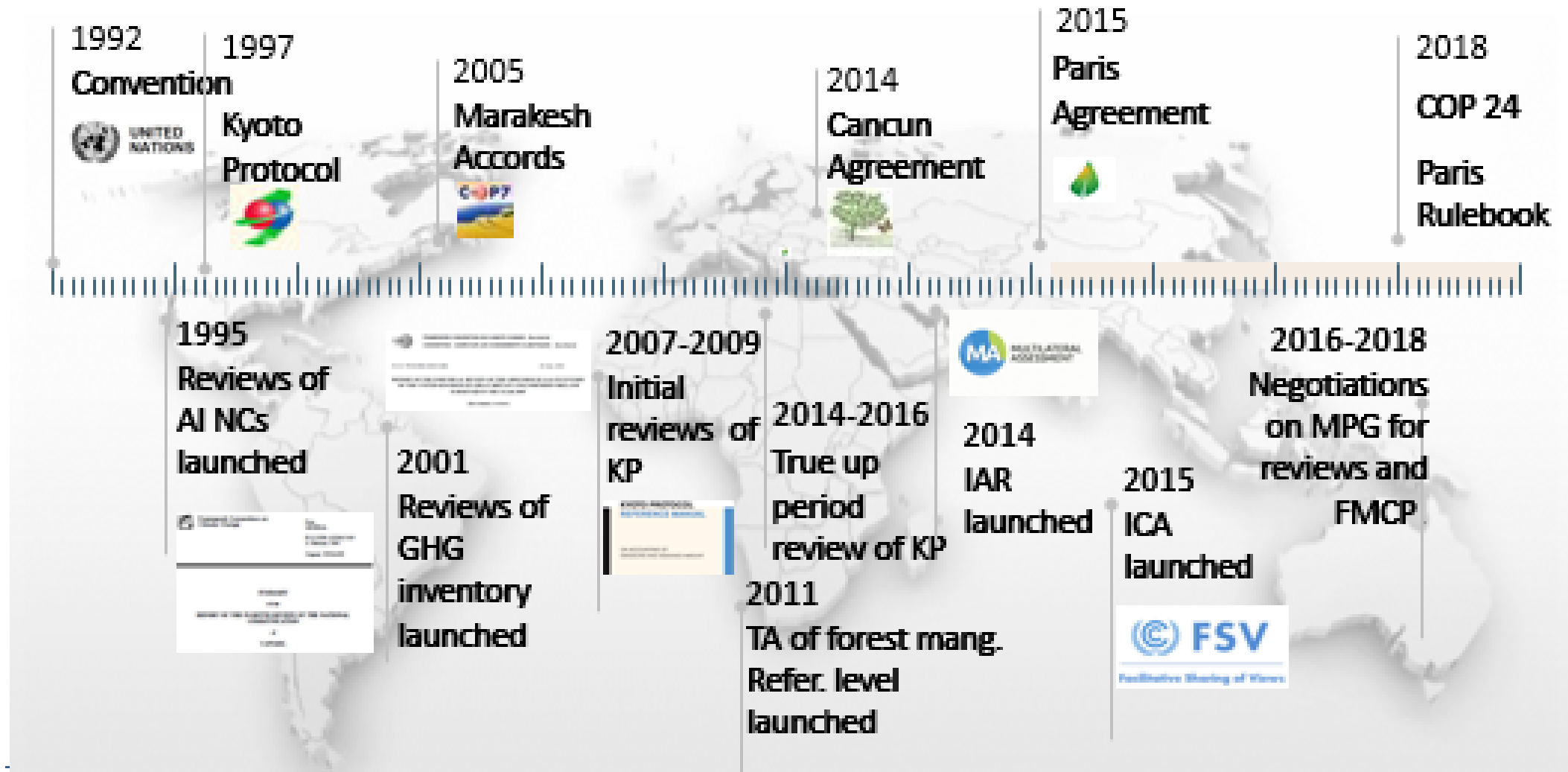


# Paris Agreement reporting requirements: outcomes from COP 24, outlook to COP 25

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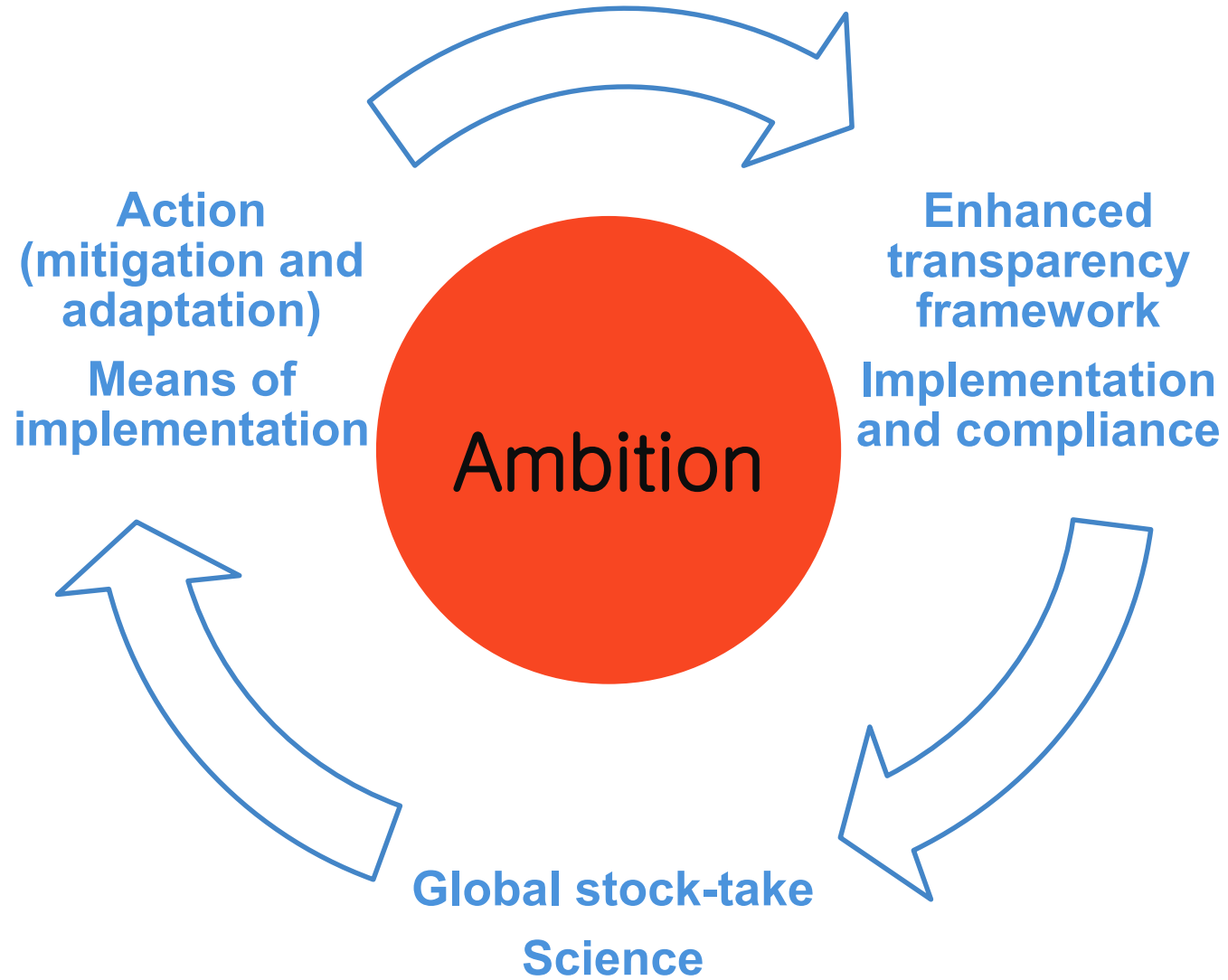
# Building on 25 years of experience



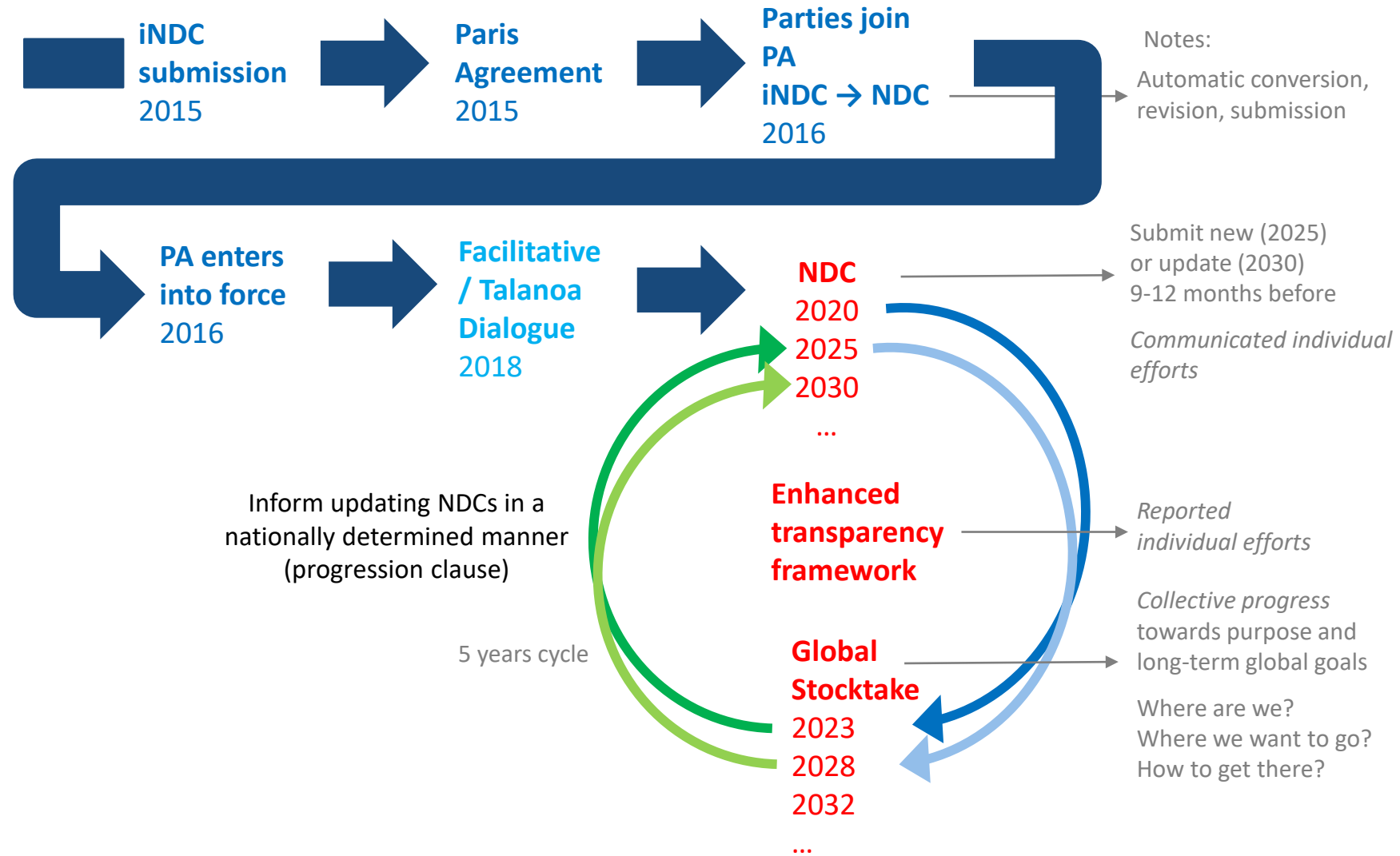
# Global climate change goals



Source: UN Environment 2017. The Adaptation Gap Report. Towards Global Assessment



# Global stocktake (Paris Agreement Article 14):





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## Mitigation

- Overall effect of NDCs
- State of GHG emissions and removals and mitigation efforts undertaken by Parties

## Adaptation

- State of adaptation efforts, support, experiences and priorities

## Finance flows and means of Implementation and support:

- Finance flows and financial support
- Technology
- Capacity-Building

## Efforts on:

- Social and economic consequences of response measures (under mitigation)
- Adverting, minimizing and addressing loss and damage (under adaptation?)

## Inputs on equity

- Fairness consideration including equity as communicated by Parties in their NDCs

## ADAPTATION COMMUNICATION

### Recommended content (X/CMA.1):

- National circumstances, institutions, laws
- Impacts, risks, vulnerabilities
- Adaptation priorities, strategies, policies, plans, goals, actions
- Needs of and provision of support to developing countries
- Implementation (progress, cooperation, barriers, lessons learned, monitoring and evaluation)
- Adaptation/economic diversification resulting in mitigation co-benefits
- Links with other international frameworks
- Gender, traditional knowledge, indigenous knowledge

Country can choose a communication vehicle...

NDC

National communication

NAP-related documents

### Adaptation-related content:

- For developed countries (FCCC/CP/1999/7):
  - Expected impacts
  - Results of scientific research on e.g. impacts, response options, and technologies
  - Integrated plans for coasts, water, agriculture
  - Outline of action taken on adaptation
  - Support provided to vulnerable countries
- For developing countries (17/CP.8, annex):
  - National circumstances
  - Vulnerabilities and methodologies used
  - Use of policy frameworks
  - Programmes containing adaptation measures (steps taken or envisaged), strategies, measures, priority areas, pilot projects
  - Activities taken to integrate adaptation into planning
  - Barriers to implementation of adaptation
  - How support programmes of annex II Parties meet adaptation needs
  - Evaluation of adaptation strategies and measures

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adaptation efforts, in latest documents information in their documents

### 2. Technical assessment (2-3 sessions before CMA.6, June/Nov 2023)

#### Recommended content (5/CP.17):

- Parties invited to provide, in NCs, information on:
  - Measures taken
  - Support provided or received
- LDCs encouraged to provide information on their NAP process through NCs and other channels
- UN and other organizations to provide information on their support to the NAP process
- Parties should monitor and review their efforts, and provide information in their national communication on progress made and effectiveness of the NAP process

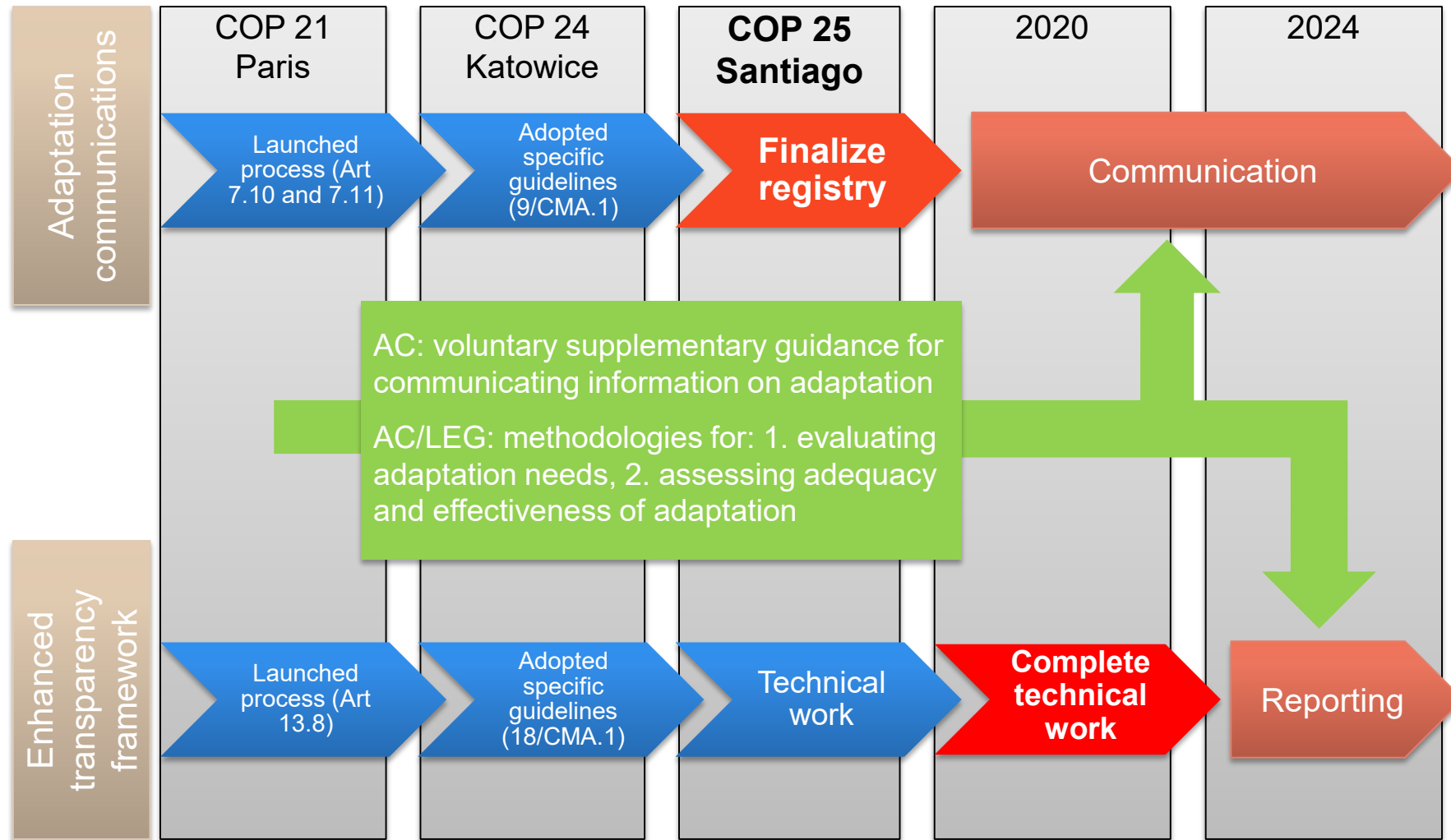
### Adaptation-related content of BTRs (X/CMA.1):

- National circumstances, institutions, laws
- Impacts, risks, vulnerabilities
- Adaptation priorities and barriers
- Adaptation strategies, policies, plans, goals and actions to integrate adaptation into policies
- Progress on implementation
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Information related to loss and damage
- Cooperation, good practices, experiences, lessons learned

Full flexibility => charac

es + all information flows to GST

# Development of adaptation communications

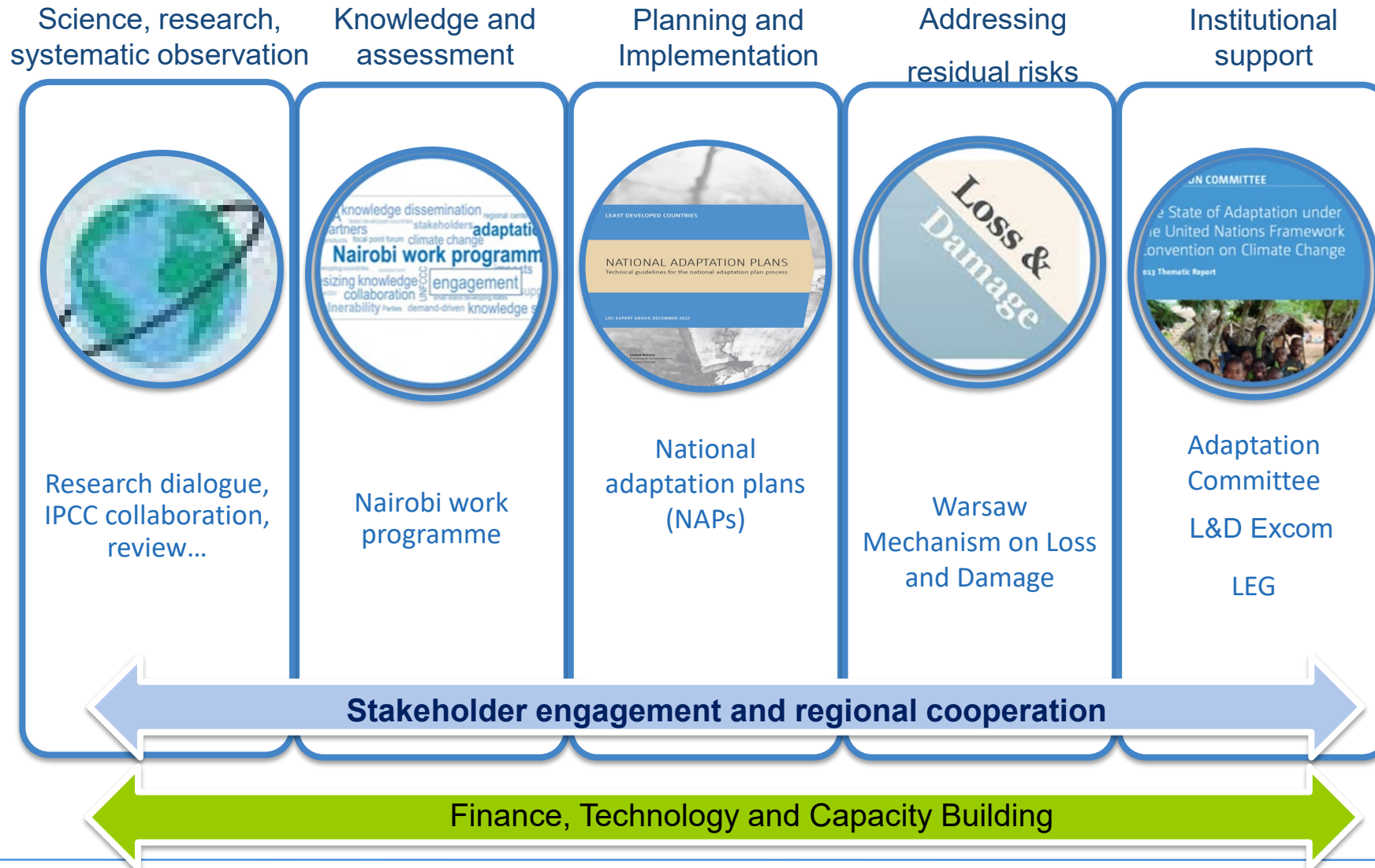




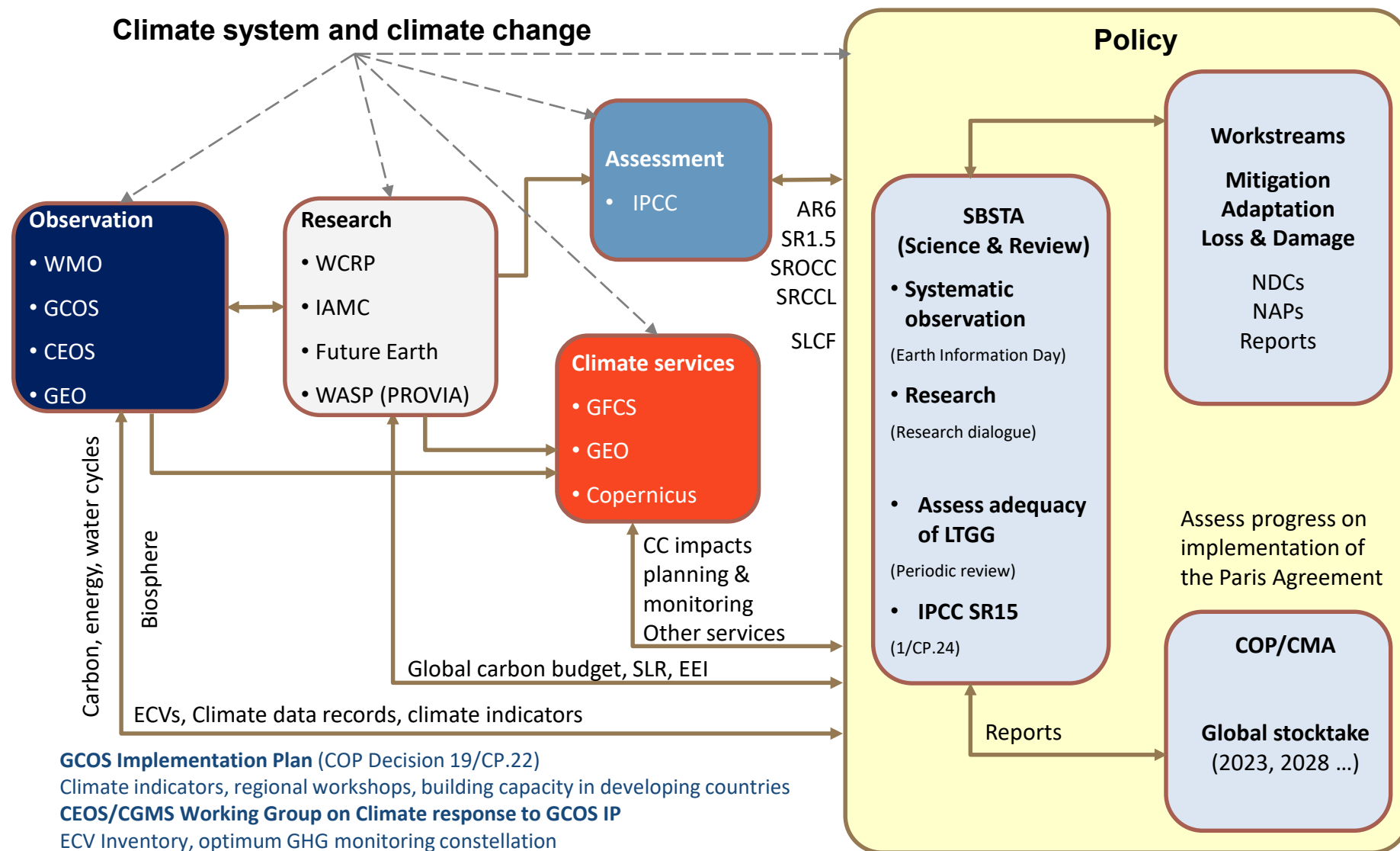
# Adaptation reporting - national communications, adaptation communications, BTRs

Instrument	Guidance contained in	Purpose	Timeframes	Process	Types of adaptation information identified in guidance	Other information
National communications of Annex I Parties	FCCC/CP/1999/7, section II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enhance transparency, consistency and comparability</li> <li>- Enable review and assessment of implementation</li> <li>- Monitor progress on FCCC goals</li> </ul>	Every 4 y (1 Jan 2018, 2022, 2026, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Secretariat posts NCs on UNFCCC website</li> <li>- Compilation and synthesis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expected impacts</li> <li>- Research on impacts, vulnerabilities and adaptation</li> <li>- Adaptation technologies</li> <li>- Plans for coastal zones, water and agriculture</li> <li>- Outline of implementation of adaptation action</li> </ul>	- Guidelines are under revision by SBI item 3 (e)
NCs of non-Annex I Parties	Annex to decision 17/CP.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Encourage consistency, transparency and comparability</li> <li>- Policy guidance to operating entities of financial mechanism</li> <li>- Ensure COP has sufficient information for assessing implementation</li> </ul>	Determined by COP (generally every 4 y)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Secretariat posts NCs on UNFCCC website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National circumstances relevant to adaptation</li> <li>- Vulnerability to climate impacts, including critical areas</li> <li>- Approach to vulnerability analysis</li> <li>- Measures taken, programmes with adaptation measures, policy frameworks, and opportunities to implement adaptation</li> <li>- Steps to integrate climate change into policies and actions</li> <li>- Capacity-building efforts to integrate adaptation into planning</li> <li>- How support meets adaptation needs</li> <li>- Barriers to adaptation</li> </ul>	- Guidelines are under revision by SBI item 4 (a)
Adaptation communications	Paris Agreement Articles 7.10 and 7.11 Decision 9/CMA.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visibility and profile of adaptation, balance with mitigation</li> <li>- Strengthen adaptation action/support</li> <li>- Input to GST</li> <li>- Learning and understanding of adaptation needs and actions</li> <li>- Contribute to reviewing progress towards global goal on adaptation</li> </ul>	Parties invited to submit in time to inform each GST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Submitted together with other documents (e.g. NC, NDC, NAP documents, or BTRs)</li> <li>- Recorded in an online registry</li> <li>- Synthesized for GST</li> <li>- Take stock of guidance in 2025 and revise if needed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National circumstances, institutions, laws</li> <li>- Impacts, risks and vulnerabilities</li> <li>- Adaptation priorities, strategies, policies, plans, goals, actions</li> <li>- Implementation and support needs and provision of support</li> <li>- Implementation of adaptation (e.g. progress and results, cooperation, barriers and challenges, good practices, lessons and information sharing, monitoring and evaluation)</li> <li>- Adaptation/economic diversification with mitigation benefits</li> <li>- How adaptation contributes to other international processes</li> <li>- Consideration of gender, traditional knowledge, and indigenous/local knowledge</li> <li>- Any other information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Country-driven, flexible; not a burden or basis of comparison or review</li> <li>- Information may be “tailored” to documents AdCom is communicated with/consider existing guidance</li> <li>- Parties invited to include “ex ante information” and to provide information on elements (a) to (d), and additionally (e) to (i)</li> </ul>
Biennial transparency reports	Paris Agreement Article 13.8 Decision 18/CMA.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understand climate change action, including adaptation, good practices, priorities, needs and gaps, to inform the GST</li> <li>- Could facilitate recognition of adaptation efforts of developing countries</li> </ul>	Every 2 y, starting 31 Dec 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Secretariat posts BTRs on UNFCCC website and synthesizes them</li> <li>- SBSTA to develop outlines of BTRs by COP 25</li> <li>- Synthesized for GST</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National circumstances, institutions, laws</li> <li>- Impacts, risks and vulnerabilities</li> <li>- Priorities and barriers</li> <li>- Strategies, policies, plans, and goals; as well as actions to integrate adaptation</li> <li>- Progress in implementation of adaptation</li> <li>- Monitoring and evaluation of adaptation</li> <li>- Information related to loss and damage from climate impacts</li> <li>- Cooperation, good practices, experience, lessons learned</li> <li>- Any other information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AdCom can be submitted together with BTRs</li> <li>- Parties may cross-reference adaptation information in other documents, and focus on updates of previous information</li> <li>- SBSTA item 10 (d) is developing outlines for the BTRs</li> </ul>

# Adaptation | Landscape



# Science driving policy, policy driving science



**GCOS Implementation Plan** (COP Decision 19/CP.22)

Climate indicators, regional workshops, building capacity in developing countries

**CEOS/CGMS Working Group on Climate response to GCOS IP**

ECV Inventory, optimum GHG monitoring constellation

**WMO**

State of the global climate, GHG Bulletin,

IG3IS, GFCS

Collaboration between WMO/UNFCCC inc. regional centres

Climate rationale

# World nations adopt a robust set of guidelines for implementing the Paris Agreement

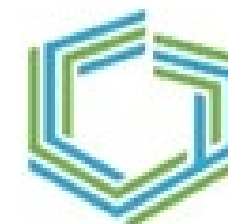


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# COP 24 outcome: overview

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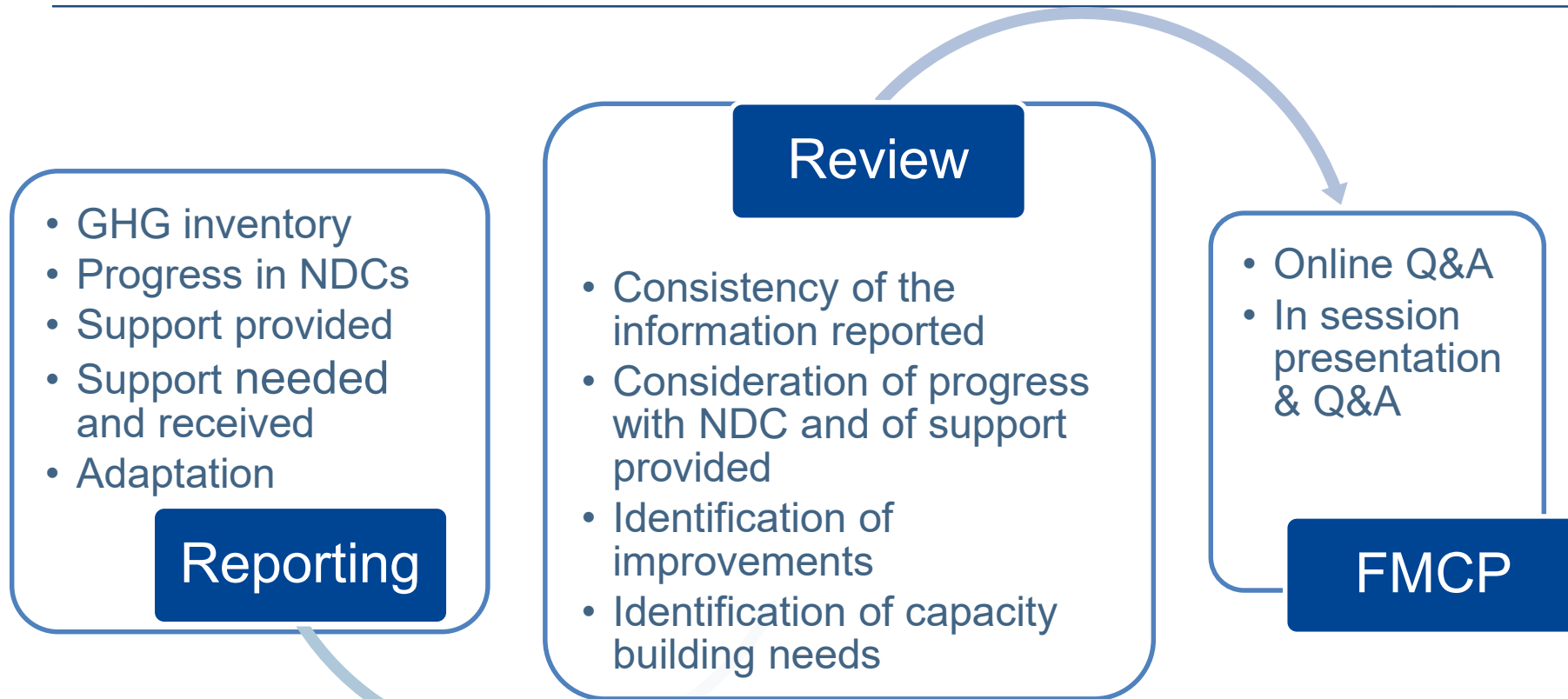
- **Make the Paris agreement operational** and its institutions and processes to work efficiently, as well as identify follow-up technical work mostly on transparency
- **Advancement in implementation of the Convention** in key areas of transparency/MRV, mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology and capacity building, new pledges on climate finance
- Enhancement of political **momentum to submission of more ambitious Nationally Determined Contributions in 2020**



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# Enhanced transparency framework



**Review format:** centralized, in-country, desk, simplified

**Facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress- scope:** GHG inventory, tracking progress towards NDCs, support provided, and support received and needed





# Common reporting with flexibility

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## Biennial transparency report (BTR)

- ☐ National GHG inventory
- ☐ Information to track progress in implementing/achieving NDCs
- ☐ Information on support provided and mobilized (developed countries)
- ☐ Information on support needed and received (developing countries)
- ☐ Adaptation communication

## Flexibility provisions

- ☐ GHG inventory – time series, gases, etc.
- ☐ Reporting of policies and measures
- ☐ Reporting of projections of GHG emissions/removals
- ☐ LDCs and SIDs are offered additional discretion in reporting

**The first BTR must be submitted no later than 31 December 2024**

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# Communication of nationally determined contributions (NDCs)

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- Parties whose INDC with a **time frame up to 2025** to communicate by 2020 a **new NDC** and to do so every five years thereafter
- Parties whose INDC with a **time frame up to 2030** to **communicate or update** by 2020 the contribution and to do so every five years thereafter
- All Parties are invited to communicate **long-term low emission development strategies**
- The **progress** made in **implementing and/or achieving the NDC** based on **self-determined indicators** is described in the BTR and reviewed by a technical expert review team





# COP 25 and beyond

- **Continue and advance** discussions on the following at **COP 25**, with a view to **finalize and agree at COP 26**:
  - Common reporting tables (CRT) for reporting of GHG inventory
  - Common tabular formats (CTF) for tracking progress
  - Common tabular formats (CTF) for support provided and mobilized
  - Outlines of the BRT and national inventory document (NID)
- From 2024, support two tracks of reporting (for PA and non-PA Parties)

Convention and KP	Paris Agreement
Annual GHG inventory (CRF and NIR)	Annual GHG inventory (CRT and NID)
BR, including CTF tables	BTR, including tracking progress tables
BUR, including REDD+	BTR
National communications	



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**Thank you**

