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Dates and venues of meetings in 2027

Summary

To facilitate timely planning, the Santiago Network Secretariat has identified potential dates and venues for the 2027 Advisory Board meetings for consideration by the Advisory Board at its seventh meeting. This aligns with the practice established for the 2026 meeting cycle. Pursuant to paragraph 34 of the *Rules of procedure of the Santiago Network Advisory Board*, at each meeting the Advisory Board will confirm the dates, duration and venue of the following meeting.

This document has been prepared to facilitate the Advisory Board's decision on the date and venue for its eighth and ninth meetings.

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I. Introduction

1. In accordance with paragraph 29 of the *Rules of procedure of the Santiago Network Advisory Board*, the Advisory Board shall meet at least twice a year, where possible in connection with meetings of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts (WIM Executive Committee), while retaining its flexibility to adjust the number of meetings to suit its needs.

2. To facilitate timely planning, the Santiago Network Secretariat has identified potential dates and venues for the 2027 Advisory Board meetings for consideration at the seventh meeting. This approach aligns with the practice established for the 2026 meeting cycle.

3. Pursuant to paragraph 34 of the Rules of procedure, at each meeting, the Advisory Board will confirm the dates, duration and venue of the following meeting.

4. In line with paragraph 30 of the Rules of procedure, the Advisory Board shall hold its meetings at the location of the Santiago Network Secretariat head office, unless otherwise decided by the Advisory Board and subject to the necessary arrangements being made.

5. This document has been prepared to facilitate the Advisory Board's decision on the date and venue for its eighth and ninth meetings.

II. Eighth meeting of the Advisory Board

6. Meetings of the Santiago Network Advisory Board shall, where feasible, be convened in conjunction with meetings of the WIM Executive Committee; however, the WIM Executive Committee has not yet finalized its 2027 schedule as of the compilation date of this document. It is anticipated that these dates will become available after the twenty-fifth meeting of the WIM Executive Committee scheduled to take place in Majuro, Marshall Islands, from 14 to 18 September 2026.

7. As of the publication of this document, the Secretariat is aware of the following key events relevant to the Advisory Board that have been scheduled for March–April 2027:

   (a) Eleventh meeting of the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage (FRLD B.11): 17–19 March 2027, Nepal.

8. Other considerations in selecting appropriate dates include widely observed public holidays:

   (a) In 2027, Ramadan is anticipated to commence on the evening of Sunday, 7

February and is expected to conclude on the evening of Monday, 8 March, followed by Eid al-Fitr on Tuesday, 9 March, with the precise dates subject to the sighting of the moon;

(b) In 2027, Good Friday will fall on 26 March and Easter will be observed on Sunday, 28 March.

9. In light of the above, the Santiago Network Secretariat proposes the following date option for the eighth meeting of the Santiago Network Advisory Board (SNAB8), to facilitate the Advisory Board's consideration:

Tuesday, 13 April–Thursday, 15 April 2027

10. SNAB8 is anticipated to be preceded by a one-day informal Advisory Board meeting.

11. In the absence of a hosting offer, the venue for SNAB8 is suggested to be Geneva, Switzerland (location of the Santiago Network Secretariat).

12. The proposed option would provide sufficient time for the Advisory Board to engage substantially in intersessional work between its seventh and eighth meetings, including the possibility of informal hybrid meetings on any matters, should it so decide.

13. This option is provided for the Advisory Board's consideration, acknowledging that the Advisory Board may also develop and select alternative approaches that best reflect its needs and priorities.

III. Ninth meeting of the Advisory Board

14. The Secretariat proposes that the ninth meeting of the Advisory Board be held between late September and early October 2027 to ensure sufficient time before the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change at its thirty-second session (COP 32), scheduled for 8–19 November 2027.

15. The Secretariat is aware of the following key events relevant to the Advisory Board that have already been scheduled for September–October 2027:

(a) Eighty-second session of the General Assembly (UNGA 82): 7–21 September 2027, United States of America;

(b) Thirteenth meeting of the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage (FRLD B.13): 6–8 October 2027, Philippines;

(c) Pre-COP 32: Dates and location are yet to be confirmed.

16. In light of the above, the Santiago Network Secretariat proposes the following date

option for the ninth meeting of the Santiago Network Advisory Board (SNAB9), to facilitate the Advisory Board's consideration:

Tuesday, 28 September–Thursday, 30 September 2027

17. SNAB9 is anticipated to be preceded by a one-day informal Advisory Board meeting.

18. In the absence of a hosting offer, the location for SNAB9 is suggested to be Geneva, Switzerland (location of the Santiago Network Secretariat), subject to potential hosting offers.

19. The proposed option would provide sufficient time for the Advisory Board to engage substantially in intersessional work between its eighth and ninth meetings, including the possibility of informal hybrid meetings on any matters, should it so decide.

20. This option is provided for the Advisory Board's consideration, acknowledging that the Advisory Board may also develop and select alternative approaches that best reflect its needs and priorities.

IV. Recommendations

a. Eighth meeting

21. The Advisory Board is invited to consider the date proposed for the eighth Advisory Board meeting as outlined in paragraph 9 of this document and any other alternatives it may deem appropriate.

22. The Advisory Board is invited to consider Geneva, Switzerland, as the venue for SNAB8, as outlined in paragraph 11, in order to provide predictability for logistical and organizational arrangements.

b. Ninth meeting

23. The Advisory Board is invited to consider the date proposed for the ninth Advisory Board meeting as outlined in paragraph 16 of this document and any other alternatives it may deem appropriate.

24. The Advisory Board is invited to consider Geneva, Switzerland, as the venue for SNAB9, as outlined in paragraph 18, in order to provide predictability for logistical and organizational arrangements.

25. The Advisory Board is invited to direct the Secretariat to assess any potential hosting offers for alternative venues for SNAB9, with any such venue subject to confirmation and decision by the Advisory Board.