

## **Statement by Japan**

### **Agenda item 8 (e) of SBSTA 50: Emissions from fuel used for international aviation and maritime transport**

First of all, Japan would like to express its appreciation to the Secretariats of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and International Maritime Organization (IMO) for their comprehensive reports made at the plenary on their progress.

It is Japan's view that ICAO and IMO have been aggressively addressing GHG emissions reductions from international aviation and shipping.

In particular, ICAO adopted the standardized rules as an Annex of Convention on International Civil Aviation to implement the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) in June 2018 and Monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by aeroplane operators started as from 1 January 2019, based on the rules. And ICAO Conference on Aviation and Alternative Fuels agreed on a new 2050 Vision for Sustainable Aviation Fuels which will help to ensure that conventional jet fuels are substituted with sustainable alternatives to a significant percentage by 2050.

With respect to IMO, this delegation welcomes the initial Strategy on GHG emissions reduction from ships adopted in 2018, which includes commitment to phase out GHG emissions as soon as possible in this century. With this Strategy, the international shipping sector has become the quite ambitious sector committing to specific GHG emissions reduction targets without discrimination amongst flags. Japan has committed itself in contributing to make progress at IMO to develop effective, globally applicable and enforceable concrete short-term measure by 2023. IMO and its member states' common commitment will spearhead toward decarbonization of maritime transport.

In summary, Japan stresses that GHG emissions from international aviation and shipping should continue to be addressed by ICAO and IMO, which have expertise in respective fields in a basis of non-discrimination. The fact that their Member States have already been taking concrete steps and actions to address emissions from international transport should be also taken into account and such efforts should not be undermined.

Thank you.