



# WWF Submission to the Ad-hoc Work Programme on New Collective Quantified Goal on the Workshop topics for 2023

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## Summary:

- We need specific and focused topics for NCQG discussions in 2023. Main topics we see as relevant are sub-goals on mitigation, adaptation and loss and damage, as well as sources of funding for the goal at final year.
- There should be a concrete and focused output from our discussion, that will feed into the final year for setting the NCQG in 2024 - possibly a synthesis report.
- We also foresee a periodical process that will be updating the goal, for example every 5 years, in line with the GST.

In response to the call for submissions from Parties on the topics of workshops during 2023, as outlined in paragraph 12 of the COP 27 decision on New Collective Quantified Goal, WWF would like to provide the following views and ideas:

1. It is important to provide a space for substantive discussion this year, based on the topics and areas of interest that were proposed during the four workshops held during 2022. This should lead to a specific outcome that could be a summary of this year's work, as well as feeding into the workshops that will be held in 2024.
2. Unlike last year, this year's discussion should be more focused on specific topics, instead of just harboring general discussion. While general discussions were useful to map all the relevant areas for the goal, we now need to move into more substantive and focused discussions, to have a general idea of what the New Goal should look like.
3. We propose that the four workshops scheduled for this year could be focused on the following four topics:
  - a) The mitigation part of the goal - we need to assess what would be counted as a mitigation part of the goal, as well as how to count and what to account for in that area, with a link to the Mitigation Work Programme.

- b) The adaptation part of the goal - adaptation remains one of the important topics, already well established and grounded in the Article 4 of the UNFCCC. There needs to be a specific target however, connected to Global Goal on Adaptation, to ensure adequate funding of the GGA to fulfill its ultimate objectives according to Article 7.1 of the Paris Agreement.
  - c) The Loss and Damage part of the goal - this should be addressed as a third pillar of the goal, taking into account discussions on the new Loss and Damage Financial Arrangements and the Loss and Damage Fund (LDF) as well as the Glasgow Dialogue, to include synergies already existing, as well as make sure both discussions will be well aligned.
  - d) Sources of finance for the goal - while the main focus should continue to be public finance, discussions should take a look at all potential sources - public, private and alternative - as well as discuss what should be counted towards the goal, including what streams are included as a realization of the goal, and under what conditions.
4. Other topics that could be discussed either instead of one of the above or in 2024 are i.a.:
- a) A timeline for the goal, as well as a process for its update, for example creating a five-year framework, aligned with the Global Stocktake, that will discuss and update the scale of the New Goal, and if needed, its sources and structure.,
  - b) Donors and contributors, based on the principles of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities, including donors delivering support under article 9.2 of the Paris Agreement.
  - c) Scale of financing under the specific sub-goals of the NCQG, as well as a general scale of financing for the overall goal.
  - d) Principles for transparency and reporting of support under the new goal (including reporting from non-traditional donors) as part of the Transparency Framework under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.
5. As an output from this year's workshops we foresee a document or synthesis report that will at least outline:
- a) A general structure of the goal.
  - b) A possible main sub-goals and their structure.
  - c) An initial timeline of the goal, including options for its periodic update.
  - d) Possibly also how to address scale of financing, sources, donors and contributors, as well as transparency principles.
6. Lastly, we want to express a concern that there will not be enough time between this submission and the first NCQG workshop to prepare a proper submission on the topic of the first workshop, as submissions for the topics of NCQG workshops are expected by February 28th (with a view - as per decision - to have a work plan prepared by the co-chairs of NCQG by the end of March) and the first workshop starting already at the 8th of March.

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