

CAN International: SBI 49 Closing Intervention

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Climate Action Network (CAN) is the world's largest network of civil society organizations working together to promote government action to address the climate crisis, with more than 1300 members in over 120 countries.

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Outside this conference centre, thousands of people were marching on the streets of Katowice today to demand a strong response to the IPCC 1.5 report through real action on climate change.

CAN is disappointed that there will only be a procedural decision under SBI item 5 on common timeframes in Katowice and strongly urge parties to take a substantive decision on 5-year common timeframes in 2019 to be implemented from 2031 onwards.

To enable a successful outcome in Katowice, parties need to fully operationalize Article 9.5 of the Paris Agreement. CAN calls on parties to keep the consideration of information by the CMA, the specific reference to loss and damage and the FMCP as well as information on the balance between adaptation and mitigation.

While we welcome development made on some Items under the SBI, we are still deeply concerned by the lack of progress during this past week on topics mentioned above and call on parties to reflect this message of urgency and make good progress.

Outside this conference centre, people are expecting the outcomes of COP24 to provide them strong rules for ambition and hope.