



Eighth Steering Committee 18-19 June 2024

Preliminary Agenda

Decision 8.1

Systematic Observations
Financing Facility

**Weather
and climate
data for
resilience**



Decision 8.1: Adoption of the Agenda

The SOFF Steering Committee adopts the Agenda for the SOFF eighth Steering Committee meeting.




SOFF 8th Steering Committee Meeting

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Hosted by the Government of Iceland
Harpa Conference Center, Reykjavik, Iceland
In person meeting with hybrid option

Session types

-  Formal meeting
-  Learning and sharing
-  Consultations

Open and closed sessions

All sessions are open to Steering Committee members, observers (potential funders), and invitees, except for sessions 6 and 9, that are reserved for Steering Committee members and observers.

The sessions move between two different rooms, the main room “*Ríma*” and the breakout room “*Vísa and Stemma*”. You will find the corresponding meeting location noted next to each session below.

Online Participation

To join the session, please make sure to use the correct meeting room online link.

- Room *Ríma*: [Link \(Meeting ID: 364 733 999 064, Passcode: hzXGUU\)](#)
- Room *Vísa and Stemma*: [Link \(Meeting ID: 359 160 303 642, Passcode: fQEcAS\)](#)

Monday 17 June

- Arrival of participants
- Informal drinks in the evening (as of 19:00) for interested participants
at *Hafnartorg Gallery food hall, Geirsgata 17, 101 Reykjavík, Iceland*

Tuesday 18 June

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| 1 | 9:00 – 9:45 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Opening</p> <p>Co-chairs: <i>Celeste Saulo</i> (WMO Secretary-General) and <i>Satu Santala</i> (NDF Managing Director)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Welcome by <i>Elin R. Sigurdardottir</i> (Secretary General for International Development Cooperation, Iceland) ○ Opening remarks: <i>Selwin Hart</i> (Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Climate Action and Just Transition) ○ Announcement of pledges ○ Adoption of the Agenda (Decision 8.1) |
| 2 | 9:45 – 10:15 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Updates</p> <p>Co-chairs: <i>Celeste Saulo</i> (WMO Secretary-General) and <i>Satu Santala</i> (NDF Managing Director)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update from SOFF Secretariat: <i>Markus Repnik</i> (SOFF Secretariat) ○ Update from SOFF Advisory Board: <i>Benjamin Larroquette</i> (UNDP) and <i>Jochem Zoetelief</i> (UNEP) ○ Update WMO Technical Authority: <i>Albert Fischer</i> (WMO) |
| | 10:15 – 10:30 | Break and Group Photo |
| 3 | 10:30 – 12:00 <i>Vísa/ Stemma</i> | <p>Learning and sharing – SOFF Implementation progress and challenges</p> <p>Co-Facilitators: <i>Dan Muller</i> (USA) and <i>Laura Tuck</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SOFF Implementation Progress (INF 8.1): <i>Tshering Lhamo</i> (SOFF Secretariat) ○ Country spotlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Uganda (<i>Bob Alex Ogwang</i>) / Netherlands (<i>Marteen van Aalst</i>) - Madagascar (<i>Nirivololona Raholijao</i>) / Germany (<i>Sarah Jones and Carolin Müller</i>) - Malawi (<i>Amos Mtonya</i>) / Iceland (<i>Jórunn Harðardóttir</i>) & Norway (<i>Elinah Khasandi Kuya</i>) ○ Reflection and discussion |
| 4 | 12:00 – 12:45 <i>Vísa/ Stemma</i> | <p>Learning and sharing – Gender perspectives in SOFF operations</p> <p>Co-Facilitators: <i>Jacob Lorentzen</i> (NDF) and <i>Pauline Trepczyk</i> (SOFF Secretariat)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Input from the SOFF Secretariat: <i>Ana Heureux</i> (SOFF Secretariat) |

Tour around the Harpa Conference Center and lunch – *Benedikt Höskuldsson* (Iceland)

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| 5 | 14:00 – 15:15 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Consultations – preparing decisions: SOFF financial situation and resource mobilization</p> <p>Co-Facilitators: <i>Outi Myatt-Hirvonen</i> (Finland) and <i>Johannes Linn</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update from UNMPTF Office: <i>Ilaria Carnevali</i> (UNMPTF Office) ○ SOFF financial situation (INF 8.2): <i>Mario Peiró</i> (SOFF Secretariat) ○ Updated Resource Mobilization and Outreach Strategy and Action Programme until June 2025 (see Decision 8.2): <i>Markus Replik</i> (SOFF Secretariat) |
| 6 | 15:15 – 16:30 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Consultations – preparing decisions: SOFF Country demand, approach to Investment funding and Investment funding requests</p> <p>Co-Facilitators: <i>Orla Kilcullen</i> (Ireland) and <i>Albert Fischer</i> (WMO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SOFF Investment Funding (see Decision 8.4.1, 8.4.2 and INF 8.3): <i>Ana Heureux</i> (SOFF Secretariat) |
| | 16:30 – 16:45 | Break |
| 7 | 16:45 – 17:45 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Consultations – preparing decisions: Open space</p> <p>Facilitated by <i>Anna Lynenskjold</i> (Denmark) and <i>Heinz Habertheuer</i> (Austria)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reflections from Ambassador <i>Fatumanava Pa'olelei Luteru</i> (AOSIS) and <i>Gabriel Kpaka</i> (LDC Group on Climate) |
| 8 | 19:30 <i>Björtuloft</i> | <p>Alliance for Hydromet Development – Hydromet Gap Report launch</p> <p>Facilitator: <i>Laura Tuck</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Welcome remarks by <i>Benedikt Höskuldsson</i> (Special Envoy for Climate, Iceland) ○ Opening remarks by <i>Celeste Saulo</i> (WMO Secretary-General) ○ Intervention by <i>Gilberto Correia Carvalho Silva</i> (Minister Agriculture and Environment, Cabo Verde) ○ Presentation by <i>Assia Alexieva</i> (WMO) ○ Intervention by Peer Advisor representative (<i>Andreas Schaffhauser</i>, Austria) ○ Intervention by Alliance for Hydromet Development representative <i>Silvia Mancini</i> (Adaptation Fund) |
| | 20:15 <i>Björtuloft</i> | Reception hosted by Iceland Ministry for Foreign Affairs |

Wednesday 19 June

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| 9 | 9:00 – 10:00 <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Steering Committee Decisions Co-chairs: <i>Celeste Saulo</i> (WMO Secretary-General) and <i>Satu Santala</i> (NDF Managing Director)</p> <p>Decisions with debate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Updated Resource Mobilization and Outreach Strategy and Action Programme until June 2025 (Decision 8.2) ○ Additional Financing Request Australia Bureau of Meteorology Peer Advisory Services (Decision 8.3) ○ Approach to SOFF Investment Phase Funding (Decision 8.4.1) ○ SOFF Investment Phase Funding Request (Decision 8.4.2) <p>Decisions without debate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update on Multilateral Development Banks serving as SOFF Implementing Entities (Decision 8.5) ○ Update on Inclusion of Cook Islands as SOFF Beneficiary with SIDS Status (Decision 8.6) ○ SOFF Readiness Programming (Decision 8.7) ○ GCOS joining the SOFF Advisory Board (Decision 8.8) |
| | 10:00 – 10:15 | Break |
| 10 | 10:15-11:30 <i>Vísa/ Stemma</i> | <p>Learning and sharing – creating leverage for Early Warnings for All and beyond Co-Facilitators: <i>Francis Pigeon</i> (Canada) and <i>Hajja Naseem</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scaling Community of Practice – Mainstreaming Scaling Initiative SOFF Case Study (INF 8.4): <i>Johannes Linn</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator) ○ Operationalizing the Collaboration Framework with multilateral climate funds: <i>Mario Peiró</i> (SOFF Secretariat), <i>Silvia Mancini</i> (Adaptation Fund), <i>Kevin Horsburgh</i> (Green Climate Fund) |
| 11 | 11:30 – 12:30 <i>Vísa/ Stemma</i> | <p>Consultations – seeking guidance: SOFF Compliance Phase Framework Co- Facilitators: <i>Lars Andreas Lunde</i> (Norway) and <i>Tony McNally</i> (ECMWF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Compliance Phase Framework Design and Consultation Process (INF 8.5): <i>Albert Fischer</i> (WMO) and <i>Markus Repnik</i> (SOFF Secretariat) |
| 12 | 12:30 – 13:00 <i>Vísa/ Stemma</i> | <p>Consultations – seeking guidance: SOFF at COP29 Co-Facilitators: <i>Valvanera Ulargui</i> (Spain) and <i>Pieter Rottiers</i> (Belgium)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SOFF at COP29 (INF 8.6): <i>Hajja Naseem</i> (SOFF Global Facilitator) |
| 13 | 13:00 – 13:30 | Steering Committee meeting Closing |

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| | <i>Ríma</i> | <p>Co-chairs: <i>Celeste Saulo</i> (WMO Secretary-General) and <i>Satu Santala</i> (NDF Managing Director)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Appointment of SOFF Steering Committee Co-Chair Representing the Funders (Decision 8.9) <p>Review of decisions taken</p> <p>Closing remarks</p> |
| 14 | 13:30– 17:00 | <p>Visit to Iceland Met Office including light lunch</p> <p>Learning tour guided by Iceland Met Office</p> |