

THE KORONIVIA JOINT WORK ON AGRICULTURE (KJWA) AT COP26



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Koronivia Joint work on Agriculture (KJWA)



- Koronivia joint work on agriculture (KJWA) was adopted by the COP23 in Bonn in 2017, through decision 4/CP.23
- SBI and SBSTA mandated to discuss agriculture issues taking into consideration its vulnerabilities to climate change and approaches to addressing food security
- At SB48 in May 2018 Koronivia road map was set and SBI and SBSTA mandated to hold workshops on identified topics covering work to be undertaken until COP 26, through **workshops** and **expert meetings**, working with constituted bodies under the Convention
- Parties and observers submit their view on each topic to be discussed in the upcoming workshop
- The secretariat compiles a report on each topic which is considered in the following Sessions

Topics the KJWA



- 2(a) Modalities for implementation of the outcomes of the five in-session workshops on issues related to agriculture and other future topics that may arise from this work;
- 2(b) Methods and approaches for assessing adaptation, adaptation co-benefits and resilience;
- 2(c) Improved soil carbon, soil health and soil fertility under grassland and cropland as well as integrated systems, including water management;
- 2(d) Improved nutrient use and manure management towards sustainable and resilient agricultural systems;
- 2(e) Improved livestock management systems;
- 2(f) Socioeconomic and food security dimensions of climate change

Intersessional workshop

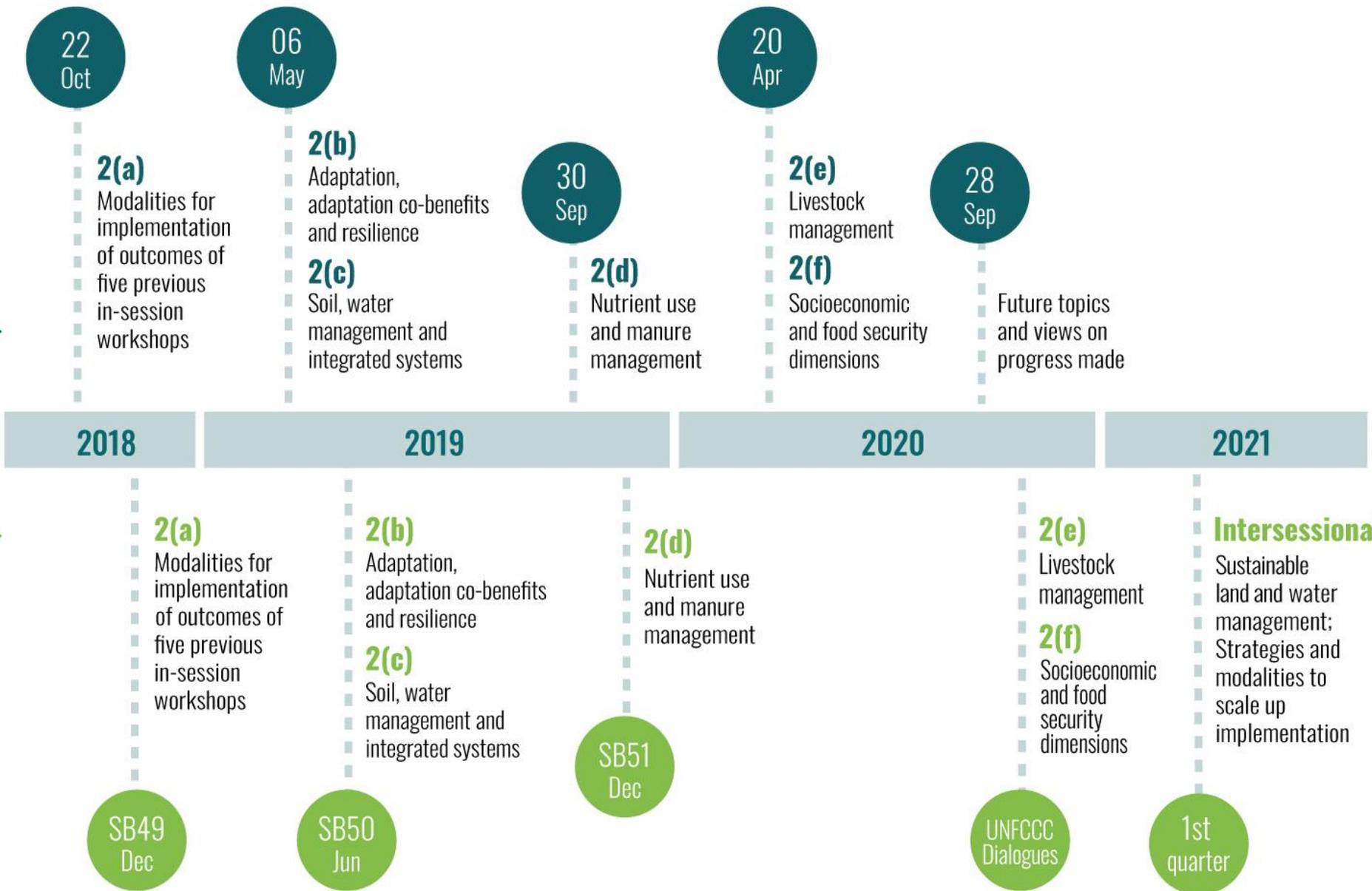


SBI and the SBSTA requested the secretariat to organize an additional to be held between SB 51 and 52 to consider the following elements:

- (a) Sustainable land and water management, including integrated watershed management strategies to ensure food security;
- (b) Strategies and modalities to scale up implementation of best practices, innovations and technologies that increase resilience and sustainable production in agricultural systems according to national circumstances.

SUBMISSIONS

WORKSHOPS



1-12 Nov 2021 
Report to COP26 on progress and outcomes of work, including on potential future topics

Progress



- The six workshops have been completed; information on each workshop is available on <https://unfccc.int/topics/land-use/workstreams/agriculture>
- The intercessional workshop initially scheduled to take place in Bonn from in March 2020, and postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, has been organized in two parts, the first part (on element a) held during the SB52 (May-June 2021) sessions
- The second part (on element b) will be organized in three virtual sessions between 20 and 22 October, and three in-person sessions in the pre-session period of COP26 in Glasgow, from 28 to 30 October.
- Parties and observers are invited to submit their views on the progress of the KJWA overall and on further topics beyond those listed in the decision.
- These submissions will be taken into consideration by the SBs in their report on the outcomes of the KJWA to COP 26 in 2021.

KJWA at COP26



- At COP26 the subsidiary bodies (SBI and SBSTA) are expected to report back to the COP on progress and outcomes of the KJWA and Parties will need to find agreement on the **future of the KJWA**.
- The SBI and the SBSTA Chairs convened informal consultations virtually on 13 April 2021 and invited Parties to share views on possible **next steps** in preparing a report to COP26 on the **progress and outcomes** of the KJWA.
- The SBI and SBSTA Chairs conducted mandated workshops on topics 2(d), 2(e) and 2(f).in May–June 2021, virtually and four informal notes to capture progress were prepared by the co-facilitators

KJWA in COP26 cont--



- The first part of the (intercessional) workshop mandated to take place between SB 51 and 52 was also held virtually in May–June 2021 with a focus on element “(a) Sustainable land and water management, including integrated watershed management strategies to ensure food security”;
- The second part, with a focus on element (b) “Strategies and modalities to scale up implementation of best practices, innovations and technologies that increase resilience and sustainable production in agricultural systems according to national circumstances” will be held before this session (COP26)

Action at the COP26:



- The SBI and the SBSTA will be invited to continue their joint work on issues relating to agriculture, drawing on the workshop reports prepared for the session and taking into account submissions from Parties and observers, with a view to reporting thereon at COP26.



1. Formalize the discussion on topic 2d, 2e 2f and those for intercessional workshop and develop formal reports and postpone the reporting to the next COP (COP27)
2. Report on progress and outcomes of the KJWA and make decisions on future of KJWA

Options for reporting progress and outcomes of the KJWA:

1. Reference to the workshops and acknowledging the workshop reports
2. Reference to contents of the workshop reports such as insights and recommendations on technical aspects.
3. Content related to future work, which could address methodological issues or establish general tasks.
4. Recommendations and calls to actions, with a view of enhancing implementation and ambition.

Challenge in producing a comprehensive and balanced report that accommodates different views and priorities six workshop reports.

Options for the future of the KJWA



- The mandate given at COP23 is not explicit on the future of the KJWA
- Whether the KJWA will be concluded after the reporting back on progress and outcomes or continues, is thus a matter of interpretation.
- In case of continued work, precedent indicates that Parties would need to agree on a new mandate and capture it in a COP decision.

Possible areas for discussions on the future of the KJWA



- Parties agree to continue the KJWA with existing modalities and agree on a COP decision establishing **new workshop topics**.
- Parties agree to continue work on agriculture under the COP and change the modalities of the KJWA .e.g given mandate to the constituted Bodies or the Secretariat.
- Parties decide not to continue work on agriculture under the COP and for example invite the CMA to continue.
- Parties agree to conclude the agenda item on work on agriculture without any follow-up work.

Country position/recommendation for COP26



- Based on earlier reports participants deliberate on the propose options Kenya should take:
 - Only formalize earlier online discussions and reports and postpone reporting to a next COP
 - Reporting progress and outcomes of the KJWA
 - Options for the future of KJWA



THANK YOU