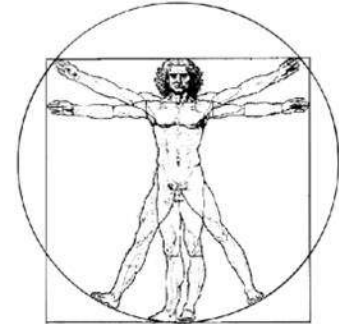


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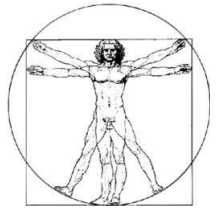
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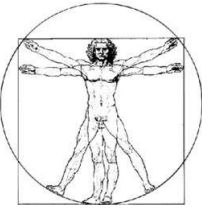


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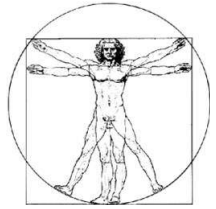
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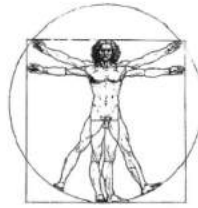
Paris Agreement

- **Article 4.9:** *Each Party shall communicate a nationally determined contribution every five years*
- **Article 4.10:** *The [CMA] shall consider common time frames for nationally determined contributions at its first session.*

Decision 1/CP.21 (Adoption of the Paris Agreement)

- **§ 23.** *Requests those Parties whose INDC ... contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a new nationally determined contribution and to do so every five years thereafter ...;*
- **§ 24.** *Requests those Parties whose INDC ... contains a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 these contributions and to do so every five years thereafter ...;*

2016



From Contribution Framework to Ambition Mechanism

A Dynamic

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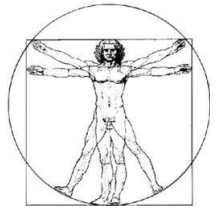
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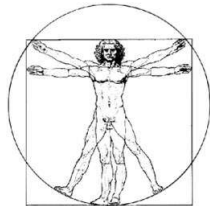
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Agenda item 5

Common time frames for nationally determined contributions referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement



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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) initiated its consideration of this matter.¹
2. The SBI took note of the request for it to report back thereon to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) at its first session.²
3. The SBI invited Parties and observers to submit,³ by 31 March 2018, their views on common time frames for nationally determined contributions referred to in Article 4, paragraph 10, of the Paris Agreement, including on, but not limited to, the usefulness of and options for common time frames and the advantages and disadvantages of those options, for consideration at SBI 48 (April–May 2018).
4. The SBI agreed to continue its consideration of this matter at SBI 48 with a view to making a recommendation thereon for consideration and adoption by the CMA.

2018

'Common Time Frames': What & Why?

A CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEBATE ON ARTICLE 4.10
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Discussion Note¹

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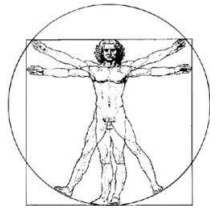
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Decision 6/CMA.1

- § 2. Decides that Parties *shall apply* common time frames to their nationally determined contributions *to be implemented from 2031 onward*;



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Paris Agreement Rulebook



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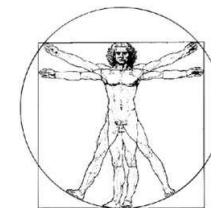
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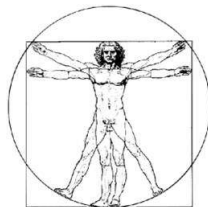
THE DYNAMIC CONTRIBUTION CYCLE

Enhancing Ambition on the Basis of Equity

This flyer highlights the importance of bringing together all countries on the same page with a common NDC time frame, to enhance ambition and at the same time enable more equitable global outcomes.

proposed by Parties on this matter, and noted that Parties may provide further views at any time.

3. The SBI welcomed the progress² of and agreed to continue the consideration of this matter at SBI 51 (December 2019) with a view to recommending a draft decision thereon for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement.

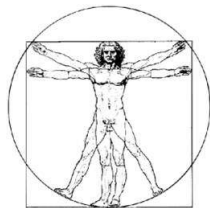


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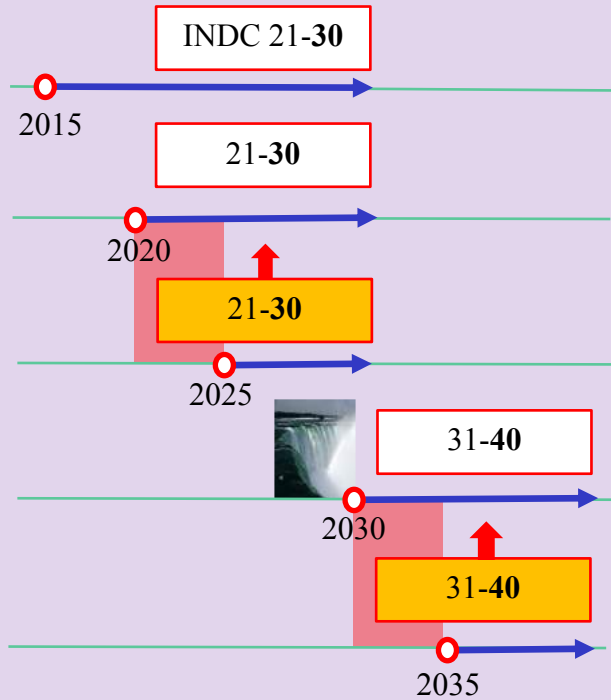


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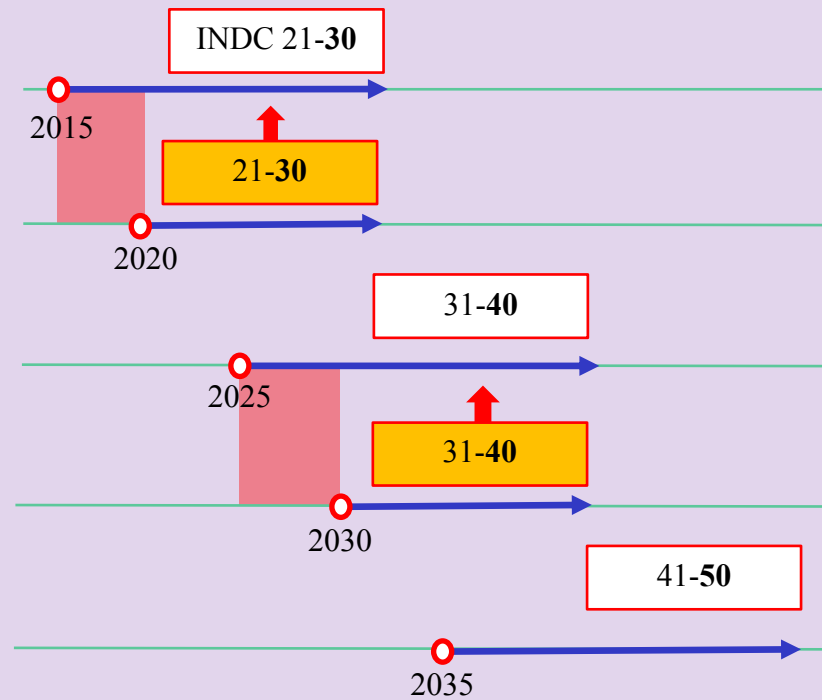
§24 Communication & Updating Cycles



(a) Mid-term Updating



(b) Up-front Updating



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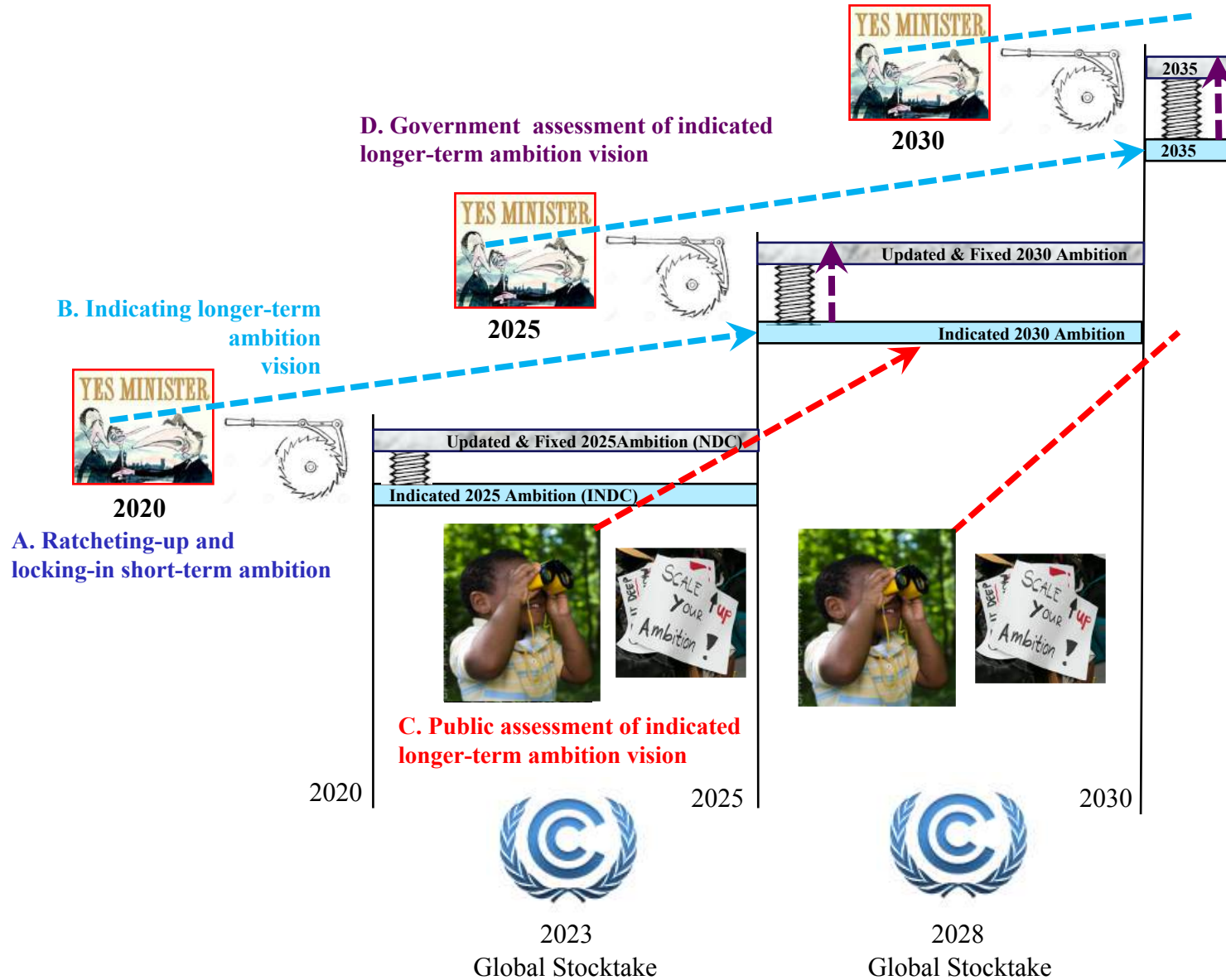
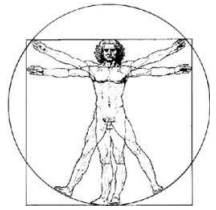
= time of communication/indication

↑ = being communicated (updated)

→ = Planning Horizon

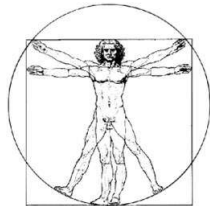
= synchronized ambition updating space

Dynamic Contribution Cycle



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Why?



The Dynamic Contribution Cycle (DCC) is a “goldilocks” option that can bring together the benefits of the longer 10-year time frame with the benefits of the shorter 5-year time frame. It

- increases the effectiveness of the GST;
- creates more frequent, common global “checkpoints of progress” and “political moments” for countries to re-consider NDCs;
- allows NDCs to keep up with scientific input, technological progress, societal change;
- allows countries to gauge fairness of their ambition in relation to peers;
- helps create in-country momentum for ambition.

How? I. The other 'Brazilian Proposal'

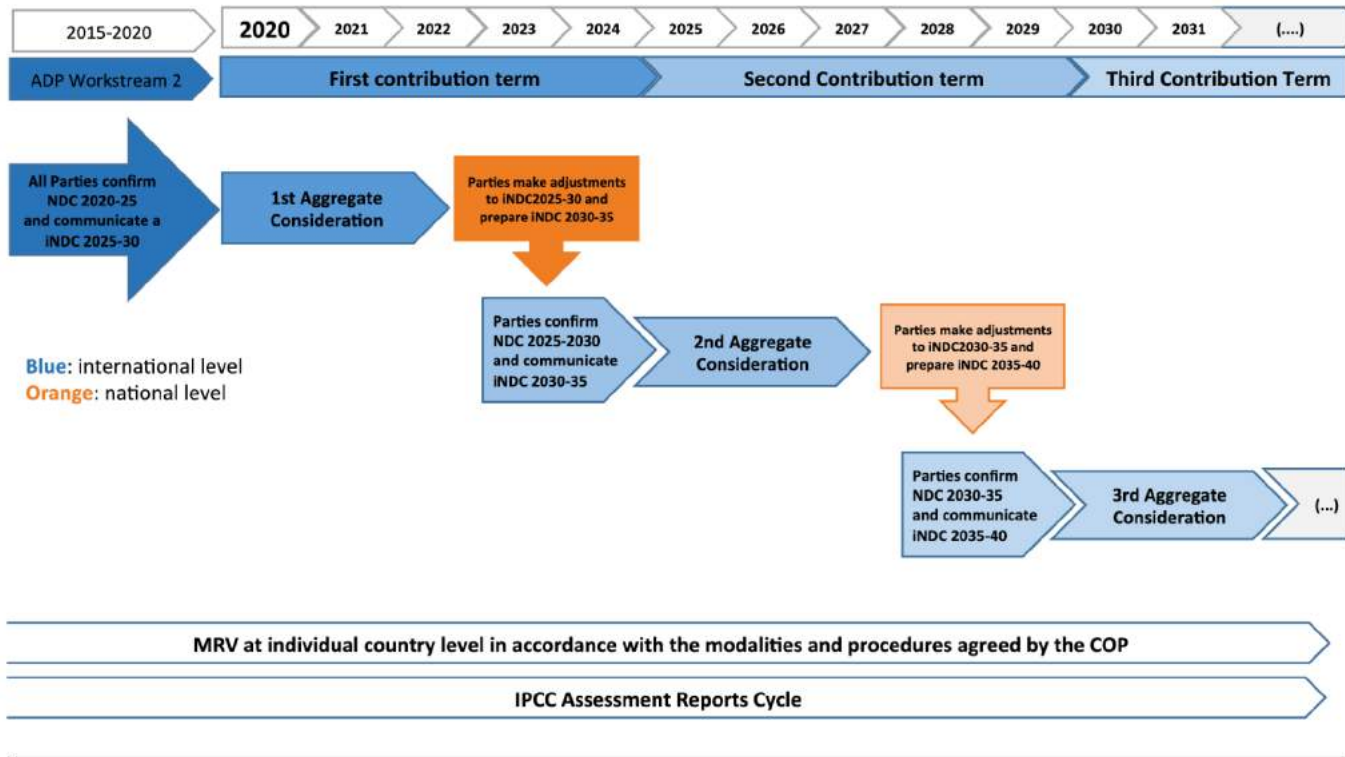
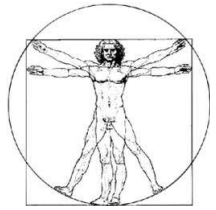
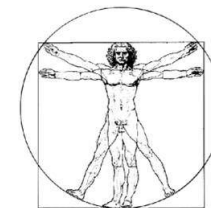


Figure 3: Dynamic Contribution Cycle

- ❖ Each 10 year cycle includes a **5 year contribution term**, followed by a **5 year indicative term**.
- ❖ Before the end of the each contribution term, the indicative term would be either confirmed or adjusted upwards, and an additional indicative term would be communicated for the following period.

How? 2. Procedural Language

“YYYY NDC” : NDC with a time frame up to YYYY



1. *Requests* those Parties whose NDC contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a 2030 NDC. [Clarification of § 23, Decision 1/CP.21]



2.a *Requests* all Parties by 2025 to communicate a 2035 *indicative NDC*, and to do so every five years thereafter.

2.b *Requests* all Parties by 2025 to *communicate or indicate* a 2035 NDC, and to do so every five years thereafter.

Option 1. (updating starts in 2030):

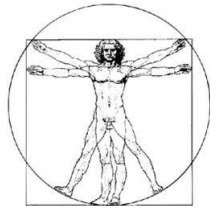
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Option 2. (updating starts in 2025):

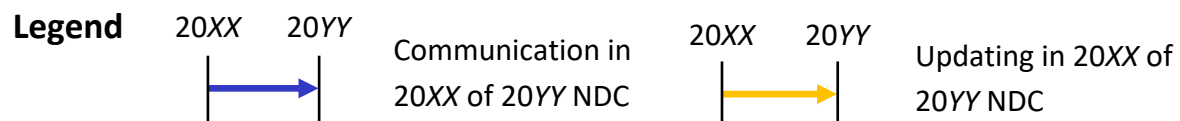
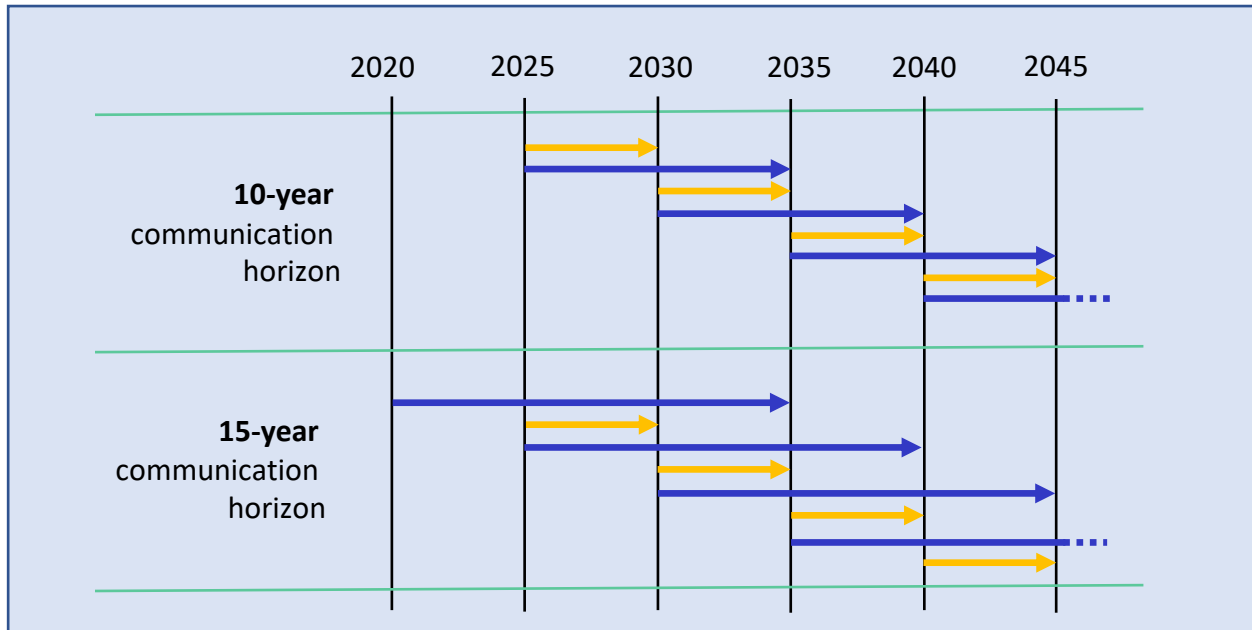
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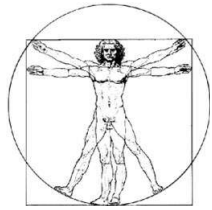
The simple Dynamic Contribution Cycle



- *Requests* those Parties whose NDC contains a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a 2030 NDC.
- *Requests* all Parties by 2025 to communicate a 2035 NDC, etc.
- *Invites* all Parties in 2030 to consider updating their 2035 NDC, etc.



etc = "and to do so every five years thereafter"; YYYY NDC = "NDC with a time frame up to YYYY"



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Thank You!