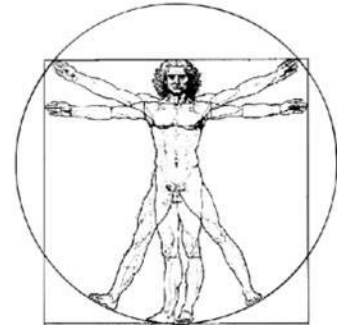


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Loss and damage

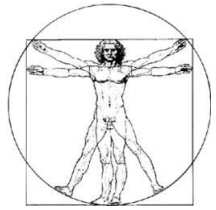
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Introduction to loss and damage



Loss and damage is about...

- The **unavoidable** and sometimes **irreversible** harm caused by climate change
- Impacts you **aren't able to adapt to**

Loss and damage is an important issue since...

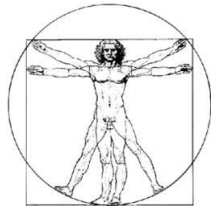


Increasing severity of impacts

Disproportionate impact

Adaptation limits

Key features of loss and damage under the UNFCCC



“Loss and damage“ is?...and is **“addressed”**
when?

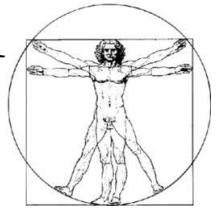
- ...There is no agreed legal definition
- ...Still relatively locally understood

Evolving and getting better understood for
about 10 years

- E.g. slowly being distinguished from adaptation

There is **no dedicated support** (fund or
channel) to address loss and damage

Warsaw international mechanism (WIM)



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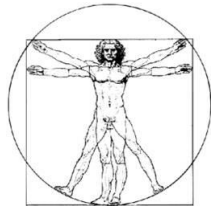
A **dedicated institution** for overall coordination and coherence

- Guided by its Executive Committee and report annually to the COP

Three main functions: better **understand, coordinate and support** action for loss and damage

5-year rolling **workplan** of the ExCom with 5 strategic workstreams (2017-2021)

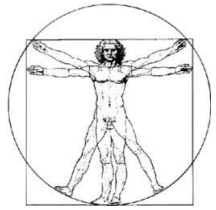
Key issue: review of the WIM



How has the WIM performed and is it fulfilling its mandate?

- Will be reviewed at COP25 (Dec 2019)...
- Based on **terms of reference** agreed in June 2019
- Outcomes to be referred to **relevant body/ies*****

Key issue: review of the WIM

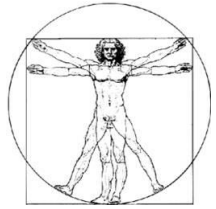


Broad **scope**

- Progress re workplan
- Long-term vision
- Effectiveness
- Structure
- Barriers/gaps/challenges/Opportunities

Range of **inputs/info**

Key issue: financing loss and damage action



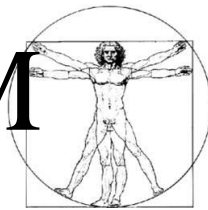
Minimal attention given to **third WIM function** (enhancing support for loss and damage)

Need **dedicated finance** for addressing loss and damage

- Window of financing under the GCF/GEF/AF?
- Financial facility under the WIM?

Going **beyond insurance**

Key issue: governance of the WIM



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Which body? **COP...CMA...both?** And does it matter?

Obligations to address loss and damage under both the Paris Agreement and Convention

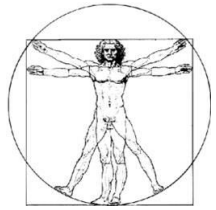
- Very general under Convention (Art
- A few more specifics under Paris Agreement (Art 8)

Important to strengthen **accountability**

Important to ensure global **cooperation**

Loss and damage is more than the WIM

Additional resources / further reading



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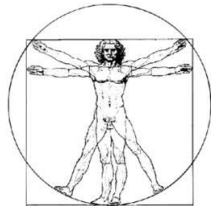
Publications

- Pocket guide to loss and damage under the UNFCCC – <https://pubs.iied.org/G04319/>
- Loss and damage in the Paris Agreement’s global stocktake – <https://pubs.iied.org/17490IIED/>

Online

- UNFCCC portal on WIM – <https://unfccc.int/topics/adaptation-and-resilience/workstreams/loss-and-damage-ld/warsaw-international-mechanism-for-loss-and-damage-associated-with-climate-change-impacts-wim#eq-3>

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