

Contact Group 2 6:30PM-9:30PM 12/12/23

Update from the co-facilitator to the Chair

The contact group met for a second time at 1:50 pm on 12 December 2023. The co-facilitator invited the Secretariat to clarify some of the questions raised by the contact group at the previous meeting. The Secretariat also presented a diagram that allow the visualization of INF.10 Section C. The diagram was welcomed by delegates and helped to clarify views in the room.

The group met for the third time to continue negotiations with focus on paragraphs 3 to 12 related to the Plenary, Bureau, Secretariat, and subsidiary bodies of the panel.

After discussions in the first paragraphs, there was a suggestion to work first on the functions first and then consider the other paragraphs under plenary and bureau.

The atmosphere in the contact group was very positive and the group could work on the details of paragraphs 7-12 on the functions of the plenary, and on the bureau.

Certainly, we need more time to continue with the considerations and text on subsidiary bodies.

In that regard my cofacilitator and I, asked for one slot to finalize the sections related to the subsidiary bodies and allocate time for a Joint session with the contact group 3, to have a common understanding on deliverables and the institutions arrangements that we are establishing for the panel.