



## STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE EU AND ITS MEMBER STATES

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Dear Co-Chairs, Distinguished Colleagues, Dear Friends,

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We are now past the half way stage in the life of the ADP and with less than two years to secure an ambitious 2015 Agreement at COP 21 in Paris, the work that lies before us is challenging and urgent. But that is a challenge that we must collectively meet.

The positive result of COP19, and the spirit of compromise and cooperation which enabled that result, provides a good platform for our work in 2014. It is essential that we get down to business quickly and efficiently here in Bonn, bearing in mind the need for a draft negotiating text of the 2015 Agreement to emerge by Lima.

In relation to work towards the **2015 Agreement**, the EU sees that the priority for our work this week is to make progress towards agreeing the requirements for up front information to be supplied with intended nationally determined mitigation contributions, so that they are transparent, quantifiable, comparable, verifiable and ambitious. Progress also needs to be made towards further elaborating the rules base of the 2015 Agreement - in particular the MRV and accounting rules that will be needed in the context of a variety of possible mitigation commitment types.

Clearly adaptation and means of implementation will also need to be addressed this week. Several Parties, including the EU, have put forward ideas in these areas that could usefully form the basis of further and deeper discussions towards elaborating the elements of the 2015 Agreement.

We very much welcome the inclusion of the workshop on the domestic preparations for intended nationally determined contributions. This will be an important opportunity to take stock of the work that countries have initiated on their contributions and to highlight some of the activities being undertaken to support countries in their preparations. The EU and its Member States have begun the process to prepare their mitigation contribution, and we look forward to sharing information on this and exchanging ideas with other Parties.

The briefing by relevant organisations and UN agencies on support for domestic preparations for intended nationally determined contributions is also a welcome initiative to highlight the support that is available to those countries that need it.



In relation to the work on **raising the mitigation ambition of all Parties before 2020** we welcome the approach of convening technical expert meetings that focus on particular issues. Whilst energy efficiency and renewable energy are the focus for March, we look forward to other aspects being the focus of our work in June - for example REDD+ and the phasing down of HFCs.

The EU would like to see a list of policy options emerging from the technical process that would be captured in the reflections note and inform an update of the Secretariat technical paper.

**Political leadership** is essential to make progress in 2014 - a year the UN Secretary General has dubbed the "year of climate action". We must take the opportunity to harness political will through the June Ministerial session, the UN Secretary General's Leaders' Summit in September, as well as COP 20 in Lima.

In **conclusion** - we look forward to working in 2014 with our negotiating partners and the co-Chairs, building on the progress and outcomes achieved in Warsaw.