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Climate Change**

**13th Session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto
Protocol**

**2nd session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris
Agreement**

High-Level Segment Wednesday 15th November 2017 Media Arrangements

General Rules for both Accredited Media and Country Press Corps support

Visual media are permitted to film, record interviews and take photos in all public areas of the conference venue unless otherwise restricted for security reasons. Generally, all open meetings of the Conference are accessible to the print media, subject to the availability of space. For access by visual media, please contact the IBC Manager, Mr. Tim Davis (Media Centre), Tel: +49 170 7117205

Please note: No access will be granted to any media representatives to closed meetings of the Conference or to office areas.

TV and Photo Opportunities

There will be 5 TV/Photo Opportunities. It is not possible to be in more than one pool.

1. Arrival of Heads of State – 12.30

TV/Photo Opportunity: As the Heads of State enter the WCCB from the VVIP entrance there will be a designated area for media to capture the arrival as they walk towards the WCCB along a red carpet. There will be 30 Heads of State with the first scheduled to arrive at 12.30. The UNFCCC media team will select representatives of the accredited media based on a geographical balance. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below). This is an 'outside' position so suitable clothing is a priority. Once in the position those in the pool will not be permitted to leave until the last head of state has arrived. Be prepared.

The Heads of State will enter the WCCB and will be individually greeted by the UN Secretary-General, António Guterres, H.E. Mr. Frank Bainimarama, COP23 President, the UNFCCC Executive Secretary, Patricia Espinosa and the President of the UN General Assembly H.E. Mr. Miroslav Lajčák. This is **NOT a TV/Photo Opportunity** and official photographs of this greeting will be available at <http://bit.ly/2jkumAu> .

2. Round Table Meeting – 13.30

TV/Photo Opportunity: Once all the Heads of State have arrived there will be a round table meeting between the Heads of State, the UN Secretary-General, António Guterres, H.E. Mr. Frank Bainimarama, COP23 President and the UNFCCC Executive Secretary, Patricia Espinosa. A TV/photo opportunity to capture this meeting will be possible. 15 TV/media photographers will be selected, following the criteria indicated above.

3. Heads of State Group Photo – 14.15

Photo Opportunity: There will be a restricted pool for 20 media **photographers only**. The same selection criteria will be applied by the UNFCCC media team. Those selected will be escorted to the position from the Media Meeting Point (see below).

4. Opening of the High-Level Segment in Plenary New York – 14.45

TV/Photo Opportunity: Following the group photo the dignitaries will proceed to take their seats in Plenary New York for the opening of high-level segment of the conference which is scheduled for 14.45 on Wednesday 15th November 2017.

Speakers at the opening are expected to include:

H.E. Mr. António Guterres, UN Secretary-General
H.E. Mr. Frank Bainimarama, COP23 President
H. E. Dr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier, President of the Federal Republic of Germany

TV/Photo Opportunity: Prior to the opening, a selected combined pool of 10 television and 15 still photographers will have the opportunity to capture establishing shots inside Plenary New York from a stanchioned area at the side of the Plenary. Access will be from the Media Meeting Point (see below). After the VIP's have entered the pool of TV/photographers will be given two minutes to capture those on

the podium. Once the conference is declared open, television crews will be required to leave the Plenary Hall. Still photographers in the pool may remain to take pictures of the speakers on a one-by-one basis under guidance. At the end of the Opening Ceremony all those in the pool must leave the Plenary.

5. Unilateral Meeting between Chancellor Merkel and President Macron

Photo Opportunity: Following the Opening of the High-Level Segment Chancellor Merkel and President Macron of France will hold a unilateral meeting. There will be restricted pool of 15 Photo Opportunity. The selection criteria will be applied by the UNFCCC media team.

Selected Pools: Those interested in being in the different pools must submit their names to the IBC Manager, Tim Davis (in person or email at davis.tim52@gmail.com) by 2pm on Tuesday 14th November.

Lists of those selected by the UNFCCC Media Team in conjunction with the Host Country Media Team will be posted outside the Press Media Information Counter by 6pm on Tuesday 14th November 2017.

Media Meeting Point: There will be a 'Media Meeting Point' next to Plenary New York, on the extreme right of the gallery staircase. Please familiarise yourself with this meeting point which will be clearly identified. All those selected must be at the 'Media Meeting Point' at 12:00pm on Wednesday 15th November 2017 where you will be briefed and will collect your Pool Badges. From here those selected will be escorted to the different pool locations.

Press Opportunity

20 seats will be available in Plenary New York for the Opening Ceremony for print media and news agencies. These will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. These seats will be located in the gallery of Plenary New York. Applications for these positions must be given to the Media Information Counter in the IBC no later than 2pm on Tuesday 14th November. The Media Information personnel will advise if you are amongst the first 20. Those in the pool must assemble at the Media Meeting Point (for location see above) where secondary badges will be given to allow entry into Plenary New York.

Pool Signals

Television and radio broadcasters will receive the 'live' Opening of the High-Level Segment provided by the host broadcaster, **WDR**. Pool signals will be provided to all workstations and cubicles in the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC). The format of the pool feed is HD PAL or NTSC 16:9 delivered through SDI BNC connections with embedded audio. For Radio Broadcasters, the feed will be delivered through XLR connections.

Continuation of High-Level Segment

The high-level segment of the conference will continue with national statements made by Heads of State or Government Ministers and Heads of Delegations. This will continue until Friday 17th November (For the list of speakers please visit <cop23.unfccc.int> or see the shortcut given in the Daily Programme. The texts of statements made will be published on the website <cop23.unfccc.int> as they become available from delegations.

PLEASE NOTE: Generally, television crews and still photographers will not be permitted to cover statements made during the high-level segment from inside Plenary New York and Plenary Genf. However, there will be one-on-one opportunities for TV/Photo Media, National TV crews and photographers, including those accompanying their respective Delegations to cover the statements.

Prior arrangements for escorted access to the Plenaries must be made with the IBC Manager, Tim Davis at his office in the International Broadcast Centre (IBC).

TV organizations can receive full live coverage of the statements made during the high-level segment from the host broadcaster's pool feed available in their respective workspaces in the IBC. Recorded coverage of the Host Broadcasters pool feed can also be made available upon request to the IBC Manager.

Press Conferences by Ministers and Heads of Delegations

It is expected that a number of Ministers and Heads of Delegations may wish to give press conferences during the High-level Segment of COP23/CMP13/CMA 2. Press conferences will be scheduled in Press Conference Room 1.

PLEASE NOTE: The delegations giving the press conference may decide to invite only national media of their country to attend their briefing. Please check the programme monitors for relevant announcements.

Media Coordination and Support

The UNFCCC Media Team offices as well as the offices of the Host Country Media Team are in the IBC Media Centre.

Please contact the team by using the following email addresses:

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