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## INFORMATION NOTE

I am pleased to convey to Parties a message from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) contained in the annex to this note.

Yours sincerely,

*(Signed by Richard Kinley for)*

Christiana Figueres

**Distribution:** To Parties and observer States through national focal points for climate change and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany.



Annex

**Message from the Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP)**

Dear colleagues,

During the second part of the second session of the ADP, held in Bonn from 3–14 June 2013, the Group elected its new Bureau and entrusted us as Co-Chairs until the end of the ADP session that is to be held in conjunction with the 20th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) in December 2014.

It is a great honour for us to be co-chairing the ADP during this time and we are looking forward to serving the process and to engaging with all Parties to advance the work of the ADP, which has made very significant progress since its inception in 2011.<sup>1</sup> As noted by the former Co-Chairs of the ADP, Mr. Jayant M. Mauskar and Mr. Harald Dovland, in their note on progress, the ADP has laid the foundations and is ready to shift gears, moving on from developing an understanding of concepts to defining the content of the 2015 agreement and achieving concrete results on pre-2020 ambition.<sup>2</sup>

Since our election in June, we have already been approached by a few Parties and regional groups for informal exchanges of views, and have also been invited to some informal meetings organised for instance by the incoming COP Presidency. This has been very helpful in starting to gather the views of Parties, and at this moment we are particularly looking forward to reading your submissions that are due shortly.<sup>3</sup> However, the absence of an intersessional meeting in the second half of this year means that there would not be an opportunity to meet in a formal or informal setting before the resumption of the second session of the ADP in Warsaw, Poland, in November and with it no opportunity to have a conversation on the way forward to Warsaw and beyond. Notwithstanding, we are aware of the views expressed by Parties on embarking on a more focussed and formal mode of discussions.

In this regard, it is our intention to build further confidence in the process, and among Parties, on the way to 2015, as we further intend to consult with Parties intersessionally, on ways to advance the work of the ADP, and we would like to make ourselves available between now and Warsaw to participate in meetings with negotiating groups, if they so desire.

In preparation for the upcoming session, we will make available on the UNFCCC website a note on our views on the work of the ADP in Warsaw and beyond.

As was the practice in the ADP under the chairmanship of the previous Co-Chairs, we intend to continue the open channel of communication with Parties. To this end, we extend an invitation to Parties to provide inputs to our thinking and contact us through the email [CADP@unfccc.int](mailto:CADP@unfccc.int).<sup>4</sup>

*Signed:*

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Co-Chair of the ADP

Artur Runge-Metzger  
Co-Chair of the ADP

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<sup>1</sup> The work and recent discussions are summarized in various documents, including the summaries of round tables and workshops listed in annex II of document FCCC/ADP/2013/2.

<sup>2</sup> ADP.InformalNote.2013.14, issued on 13 August 2013.

<sup>3</sup> FCCC/ADP/2013/2, paragraphs 32–34.

<sup>4</sup> General queries of an organizational, logistical or practical nature can also be directed to the ADP team of the secretariat by e-mail to: [ADP@unfccc.int](mailto:ADP@unfccc.int).