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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.



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

Dear colleagues,

We would like to thank all of you for your constructive efforts to secure a successful result at the ADP 2.3 session in Warsaw, Poland. You have worked together under very testing circumstances and shown your determination to maintain the positive momentum behind the Durban Platform. The decision you have reached is a reflection of the dedication of all Parties to achieve the successful adoption of a protocol, another legal instrument or an agreed outcome with legal force under the Convention applicable to all Parties (referred to as ‘2015 agreement’), to enhance pre-2020 ambition, and to strengthen the long-term response to climate change.

Warsaw also reminded us all of the intensive effort that is required on the way to Lima and Paris. As you agreed, the ADP must accelerate the development of the 2015 agreement and to further elaborate, as of its next session, the elements for a draft negotiating text, as well as to accelerate progress in increasing pre-2020 ambition, including through further activities under the workplan on enhancing mitigation ambition. The Warsaw decision also sent a clear signal to all Parties to initiate or intensify domestic preparations for contributions that will enable the adoption of a meaningful agreement in 2015 and requested the ADP to identify the information that Parties will provide when putting forward these contributions.

The ADP needs to advance in all these areas and we all need to make the best use of time during the sessions as well as between the sessions through preparations at home. As Co-Chairs we intend to continue our practice to consult with Parties between sessions on concrete ways to accelerate the work of the ADP, and to that end, we would like to make ourselves available to engage with Parties between now and the upcoming session of the ADP on 10-14 March 2014 and to participate in meetings with negotiating groups, if they so desire. We also recall the open invitation by the ADP to Parties and admitted observer organizations to provide information, views and proposals on the work of the ADP before each session.<sup>1</sup>

As encouraged by you at the Warsaw session, we will prepare a Co-Chairs’ note with our reflections on the progress made, which we plan to make available on the UNFCCC website in the course of the coming month. As done previously we also intend to prepare, closer to the March session, a scenario note with our proposals for how we organize our work at the session. As has been practice in the ADP, we also intend to continue the open channel of communication with Parties and, to this end, 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>2</sup>

We are looking forward to continue serving the ADP as Co-Chairs next year. We wish you all the very best for 2014.

*Signed:*

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Co-Chair of the ADP

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Co-Chair of the ADP

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<sup>1</sup> FCCC/ADP/2012/3, paragraph 22.

<sup>2</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).