## WORKSHOP ON LOW-EMISSION DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## Tuesday, 30 April 2013, 10am – 1pm Plenary Hall

#### **PROGRAMME** as of 28 April

# Background

As outlined in the Informal Note on the second session of the Ad Hoc Working Group on The Durban Platform For Enhanced Action (ADP2),<sup>1</sup> the Co-Chairs of the ADP have made arrangements for two workshops under workstream 2 of the ADP.<sup>2</sup> The workshop on low-emission development opportunities will address issues such as energy efficiency, renewable energy and low-emission technology.

#### Questions

The workshop will explore opportunities for low-emission development keeping in view:

- The role of national actions in increasing ambition;
- The role for international cooperative initiatives in strengthening national actions; and
- The role of means of implementation in facilitating an increase in ambition.

The co-Chairs have set out focused questions, structured along the areas and issues highlighted above, which are intended to guide the presentations and discussions. These questions, which have been included in the co-Chairs' Informal Note<sup>3</sup>, are as follows:

- 1. What further actions can Parties undertake at the national level to increase ambition, what incentives are needed for Parties to undertake these actions and how can international cooperative initiatives contribute to strengthening national action?
- 2. How can the UNFCCC process play a catalytic role in assisting Parties in identifying best practices and success stories of mitigation and adaptation policies, actions and initiatives and in adapting such best practices and success stories according to their own national circumstances and requirements?
- 3. What barriers do developed country Parties face in taking on stronger commitments under the Kyoto Protocol and the Convention and how can these be overcome?
- 4. How can enhanced delivery of means of implementation contribute to concrete action at the national level?
- 5. What further steps should the ADP take to advance its work on increasing ambition through the workplan on enhancing mitigation ambition in 2014- 2015?

#### **Approach and format: Expert presentations and panel discussion (3 hours)**

The workshop will be divided into three parts. For the **first part**, two presentations of 10 minutes each will highlight how international cooperative initiatives promoting low-emission development assist Parties in implementing their national commitments and actions. The **second part** will include a panel discussion, with a panel including Parties and representatives from international cooperative initiatives. Panel members will be given 5-minutes to elaborate on experiences at the national and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ADP.2013.1.InformalNote (of 4 April 2013), available at <<u>http://unfccc.int/7387</u>>, paragraph 12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ADP workstream 2 addresses matters related to paragraphs 7 to 8 of decision 1/CP.17 (pre-2020 ambition),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See also annex of the informal note on the session (footnote 1 above).

international level to raise ambition building on the opening presentations. The **third part** will be a general discussion building on the panel discussion.

The programme is as follows:

- a. Welcome by the Co-Chairs and introduction of Ms. Alexa Kleysteuber (Chile) as the workshop facilitator *10 minutes*
- b. **Presentations:** 
  - Advancing Climate-Resilient Low Emission Development around the World by Ron Benioff, Director of the LEDS Global Partnership *10 minutes*
  - Opportunities for Renewable Energy Deployment by Dolf Geilen, Director of the IRENA Innovation and Technology Centre *10 minutes*
- c. **Panel discussion** on experiences at the national and international level to raise ambition, 60 min (6 interventions of approx.5 min with 30 mins moderated exchange)

Panel:

- UK
- Norway
- China
- Kenya
- Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)
- C40 Cities: Climate Leadership Group
- d. General discussion 1hr 20min
- e. Wrap up / Concluding remarks by the workshop facilitator