

## **Report from Co-facilitators of the Structured Expert Dialogue Review 2013-2015 to the Chair of SBSTA**

Thank you Chair,

First let us, i.e. my co-facilitator and myself, thank you for giving us the opportunity to report here on the progress made in the SED. The SED has started now as mandated by the COP decision taken in Doha with a first workshop chaired by my able co-facilitator Zou Ji, as you have stated.

But we have made additional efforts. We try to advance the SED by having bilateral meetings with the groups. We met yesterday already with several groups and we will continue these consultations today with the remaining groups. So far these discussions were most fruitful and we are confident that they will help us to proceed with our expert dialogue in a balanced and transparent manner. We wish to advance both themes of the SED in all our future work, i.e. the adequacy of the LTGG in light of Art. 2, and the overall progress made towards achieving the LTGG including a consideration of the implementation of the commitments similar as this was done in the first workshop. We understand this is the mandate from the decision from last COP in Doha, which guides us, and which calls neither for a broadening nor a narrowing of the scope.

The next steps will be to complete what we have started, i.e. having further bilateral meetings with the groups. This will enable us to develop a work plan for the future, i.e. how to structure the dialogue at least up and including the forthcoming COP. All with the goal to provide sound and robust scientific inputs for the review by enabling a natural and socio-economic science based dialogue among experts and Parties.

Good use of the precious time available to us for this work as well as careful planning are both particular critical, since the IPCC is about to finalize its Fifth Assessment Report in the course of the forthcoming year, i.e. WG I will present its report by 26th September this year and WG II and III will present theirs in March 29th and April 11th respectively next year.

We assure you also of our intention in all these activities to closely cooperate with the Co-chairs of the JCG, with whom we already had meetings, and of course of our dedication to facilitate for all Parties a science based structured expert dialogue that will inform the review 2013-2015. We are looking forward to this challenge, which we believe is not only a challenge for us co-facilitators, but actually for all of us.

Thank you Chair