TECHNICAL EXPERT MEETING ON URBAN ENVIRONMENTADP 2.54 - 15 June 2014

Tuesday 10 Jun 2014, 15.00 – 19.00

Provisional programme

BACKGROUND

As reflected in the decision 1/CP.19 of the Warsaw conference, Parties agreed to focus in 2014 on further technical work and move towards implementation of action aimed at achieving high emission reductions in the pre-2020 period. Opportunities for mitigation action were identified under Ad Hoc Group on Durban Platform (ADP) in the course of 2012 and 2013. There is now a common understanding that these opportunities need to be translated into actions on the ground urgently through scaled up efforts in order to close the ambition gap in pre-2020 period. To this end, Technical Expert Meetings (TEMs) on energy efficiency and renewable energy were organized during the March session of ADP (ADP 2.4)¹.

During the upcoming session of ADP, in conjunction with the fortieth session of the subsidiary bodies, TEMs on Urban Environments and on Land Use, and a Forum on Cities and Sub-National Authorities (Cities Forum) will be organized.

The TEM on Urban Environments and the Cities Forum will be organized in a complementary manner. The Forum will allow for the showcasing of specific initiatives, good practices and policy options and will focus in more detail on the role of planning in creating an enabling environment for action. The TEM on Urban Environments will focus on the ways to support and scale up the feasible policy options to ensure sustainable urban development.

OPENING

• Opening remarks by the facilitator Mr. Brian Kilkelly, CEO, World Cities Network, summarizing outcomes of Cities Forum, focusing on policy options and frameworks

Session I: Scaling up efforts – finance, technology and capacity building support for sustainable infrastructure

Participants will be invited to discuss how policy options can be supported and scaled up. Keynote presenters will speak about financing in the context of providing support to implementation of robust policy frameworks needed to facilitate sustainable urban development as follows:

• Keynote presentation by Mr. James Close, Director of Climate Policy and Finance, World Bank: *Financing sustainable infrastructure and capitalizing on opportunities for green growth*

¹ <u>http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/8112.php</u> and <u>http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/8113.php</u>

- Keynote presentation by Mr. Matthew Lynch, Director, Urban Infrastructure Initiative, World Business Council for Sustainable Development : Addressing barriers to investment in urban infrastructure
- Expert panelists: Panelists will share their experience on financing urban infrastructure development; including robust policy frameworks and innovative financing models used to address challenges and ways they plan to further scale up their efforts
 - 1. Ms. Susana Muhamad, Secretary General, Bogota Mayor's office
 - 2. Ms. Jennifer Semakula Musisi, Executive Director, Kampala Capital City
 - 3. Mr. Jonas Kamleh, Deputy Head, Urban Development and Climate, City of Malmö
 - 4. Mr. Alfredo Arquillano, Former Mayor, Cebu, Philippines
 - 5. Mr. Masahiro Kimura, Director, Tokyo Cap-and-Trade Program
- General discussion: The facilitator will invite Parties, UNFCCC related institutions such as the Green Climate Fund, Global Environment Facility, Climate Technology Centre and Network, Technology Executive Committee, other international organizations and observers to share their experiences and views from the floor on how robust policy frameworks can be or are being supported to promote sustainable infrastructure development

SESSION II: WAY FORWARD

Participants will be invited to discuss how to take forward the results of the technical expert meeting throughout the year and how Lima can further advance the work plan on enhancing mitigation ambition.

- Intervention by representatives of C40 and ICLEI: representatives will share their reflection on the discussion and outline their vision for way forward
- General discussion

CLOSING

• Concluding remarks by facilitator