



## **Fifteenth Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**

### **Fifth Session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol**

Copenhagen, Denmark, 7-18 December 2009

## **High-level Segment of COP15 and other Events of Interest to the Media**

### **High-level Segment**

#### **a) Opening**

The high-level segment of COP15 will be opened on Tuesday, 15 December, at 5:30 p.m. in plenary Tycho Brahe. Following a cultural event, speakers at the opening ceremony are expected to include COP 15 President Connie Hedegaard; United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon; the Prime Minister of Denmark, Lars Loekke Rasmussen, HRH the Prince of Wales; Peace Nobel Prize Laureate Dr. Wangari Maathai, and UNFCCC Executive Secretary Yvo de Boer.

#### **b) TV Cameras and Still Photographers**

A restricted pool of 20 TV cameras and 10 still photographers (POOL 2) will have access to the plenary prior to the opening of the high-level segment.

Requests for inclusion into POOL 2 should be submitted to the IBC Manager, Tim Davis (tel: +45 507 73435), no later than 15 December, 10.00 a.m. Pool cards can be collected from the IBC Manager on the same day as of 12.00 noon.

Members of the pool will be asked to assemble no later than 5:00 p.m. at a location to be specified. They can take establishing shots of the plenary and will have a 2-minute close-up photo opportunity of the podium. TV crews will then be asked to leave the room, while still photographers may remain for taking pictures of the speakers under the guidance of an UNFCCC Information Officer.

TV organizations without a pool card can receive full live coverage of the opening of the high-level segment from the host broadcaster in their respective work spaces in the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC) or at the overflow facility in the portacabin outside the IBC. Recorded coverage can be received from the host broadcaster on tape, DVD or memory stick on a commercial basis (see host broadcaster's website at [www.cop15hb.dk](http://www.cop15hb.dk)).

### c) Print Media

In view of the high number of participants, access to plenary Tycho Brahe for print press media will **not be permitted** throughout the high-level segment. Correspondents are invited to follow the proceedings on CCTV monitors in the Media Centre or through [www.unfccc.int](http://www.unfccc.int).

### d) Photos

Photos of the opening of the high-level segment can be downloaded free of charge from the website of the Host Country at [www.photos.cop15.dk](http://www.photos.cop15.dk)

### e) Continuation of high-level segment

The high-level segment of the conference will continue on 16 and 17 December in plenary Tycho Brahe with statements by Heads of State and Heads of Government and other heads of delegation. (For the list of speakers, see: Daily Programme, part one, of 12 December.) The texts of statements made will be distributed at the Media Information Counter (Media Centre) after their delivery, as they become available from delegations.

**PLEASE NOTE: Generally, television crews and still photographers will not be permitted to cover statements made during the high-level segment in plenary Tycho Brahe. However, there will be several unilateral coverage possibilities for national TV crews and photographers, including those accompanying their respective Head of State/Government, wishing to cover the statements. Prior arrangements for escorted access to plenary Tycho Brahe must be made with Mr. Tim Davis, IBC Manager (tel: +45 507 73435).**

Other TV organizations can receive full live coverage of the statements made at the high-level segment from the host broadcaster in their respective work spaces in the International Broadcasting Centre (IBC), or at the overflow facility in the portacabin outside the IBC. Recorded coverage can be received from the host broadcaster on tape, DVD or memory stick on a commercial basis (see host broadcaster's website at [www.cop15hb.dk](http://www.cop15hb.dk)).

### f) Arrival of Heads of State/Government on 18 December

The arrival of Heads of State/Government at the Bella Center on Friday, 18 December will be covered by the host broadcaster, and the arrival feed will be made available through the International Broadcasting Centre free of charge. The Host Broadcaster will also provide a live coverage world feed for all arrivals at COP 15. (For details, see: [www.cop15hb.dk](http://www.cop15hb.dk)). The Government of Denmark will also provide still photos from a number of VIP arrivals free of charge. (For details, see [www.photos.cop15.dk](http://www.photos.cop15.dk)).

In addition to the coverage by the host broadcaster, a restricted pool of TV cameras and still photographers (POOL 3) will be available from an area outside the VVIP entrance. The Pool may cover the arrival of Heads of State/ Government. Positions must be taken by 8:00 a.m. at the latest. It must be understood that TV camera crews and still photographers opting for this position will have to remain there until approximately 10:00 a.m. or until the last Head of State/Government has arrived.

Requests for inclusion into POOL 3 should be submitted to the IBC Manager, Tim Davis (tel: +45 507 73435), no later than 17 December, 10.00 a.m. Pool cards can be collected from the IBC Manager on the same day as of 12.00 noon.

### g) Press Conferences by Heads of State/Government

It is expected that a number of Heads of State/Government may wish to give press conferences on 16, 17 and 18 December. On 16 December, some of these press conferences will take place in room Asta Nielsen (Auditorium 10), room Elvira Madigan (Auditorium 11) and room Paul Hartling (Auditorium 12). As of 17 December, these press conferences will take place in Press Conference Room 1 (Auditorium 15). (Please see monitors for further details.)



**PLEASE NOTE:** The delegation of the Head of State/Government giving the press conference may decide to invite only national media of their country to attend their briefing. Please check the programme monitors for relevant announcements.

**Overview on TV/Photo Pools:**

**Pool 2: Opening of high-level segment, Tuesday, 15 December, 5.30 p.m.**  
**Pool 3: Pool for arrival of Heads of State/Government, Friday, 18 December, 8.00 a.m.**

**Events of Interest to Media**

**Tuesday, 15 December**

- 1:30 p.m. Side Event with Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor of California  
*Venue: Combined Asta Nielsen and Elvira Madigan rooms (Auditorium 10 and 11)*
- Please Note: There will be a stake-out for TV crews and still photographers for Governor Schwarzenegger at 2.30 p.m. in the West Lobby (next to Auditorium 15 and the TV2 TV studio).*
- 3:30 p.m. Induction of Ms Wangari Maathai as United Nations Messenger for Peace, by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon  
*Venue: Press Conference Room 1*
- 4:30 p.m. Side Event with Peace Nobel Prize Laureate Al Gore  
*Venue: tba*
- 6:30 p.m. Press Conference by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and Prime Minister Lars Loekke Rasmussen of Denmark,  
*Venue: Press Conference Room 1 (Auditorium 15)*

**Wednesday, 16 December**

- 12:30 p.m. Launch of IPCC Climate Education Programme:  
Speakers: UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, IPCC Chair Rajendra Kumar Pachauri  
*Venue: Press Conference Room 1 (Auditorium 15)*
- 1:00 p.m. ICTs to Support Action on Climate Change  
Speakers: UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon (tbc); Hans Vestberg, President and CEO of Ericsson; Hamadoun I. Toure, Secretary-General, International Telecommunications Union; Bjorn Stigson, President, World Business Council for Sustainable Development; Lasse Gustavsson, CEO, World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Sweden; Jean Reveillon, Director-General, European Broadcasting Union (EBU) – by TelePresence from Geneva  
*Venue: UNFCCC Climate Change Kiosk*
- 6.15 p.m. UN Chief Executives Address Climate Change  
Speakers: UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon; and Heads of United Nations Agencies and Programmes  
*Venue: Astrid Noack room*

**Please check CCTV monitors for last-minute time and venue changes.**



**Further details on media arrangements for the Summit of Heads of State and Heads of Government on 17 and 18 December, including possible additional photo opportunities, will be announced in a later Note to Correspondents**

## **Other Events**

### **The Greatest Debate on Earth**

On Thursday, 17 December, BBC World News and the Danish Broadcasting Corporation will offer a high-level debate on critical issues being discussed at COP15. BBC HARDtalk host Stephen Sackur will talk with world leaders on their commitment and concrete contributions to the climate negotiations while these negotiations are still going on. The debate will take place at the DR Concert Hall from 17.00 – 18.30 p.m. and can be watched live from the press lounge of the Danish Broadcasting Corporation nearby the Bella Center. The debate will be broadcast worldwide by the BBC World network after the summit, on 19 and 20 December. Please note that seats are limited. Email dhan@dr.dk if you want news alerts or follow the event on Twitter @COP15TVDebate.

### **TV coverage of Gala Dinner on 17 December 17**

A live feed from the gala dinner on Thursday, 17 December will be provided in the International Broadcast Centre at COP15 free of charge, courtesy of TV2|Danmark. (For further information on this and other live feeds, see: [www.cop15hb.dk](http://www.cop15hb.dk).) Photos of the event will be made available from the Government of Denmark at [www.photos.cop15.dk](http://www.photos.cop15.dk).

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