

United Nations Climate Change Secretariat

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Media advisory: Information on the forthcoming additional session of the Ad Hoc Working Groups -Bangkok 30 August to 5 September 2012

Please find below important information on the forthcoming additional session of the Ad Hoc Working Groups Dates: Thursday, 30 August to Wednesday, 5 September 2012 Venue: United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC) Bangkok, Thailand

GENERAL

The meeting is envisaged to be a combination of informal meetings. There will be no formal plenary meetings or webcast services and no official documents during these sessions. In addition, there will be no side events and exhibits.

Access to meetings will be decided by the respective chairs. Media will have access to all open meetings, insession workshops and all press briefings.

There will be no media centre or media information desk at the meeting premises. A computer centre for participants and wireless (WiFi) access will be available.

ACCREDITATION

Press accreditation is open. The deadline for application is Tuesday, 28 August 2012. Please note: accreditation after the deadline will NOT be possible. In addition, no media will be accredited on-site at the conference premises.

Online accreditation is the official channel to obtain registration for the media for a conference or event. The secretariat will not accept accreditations via any other channel (e-mail, letter or fax).

Please go to https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/ to start the accreditation process. IMPORTANT NOTE: when applying online, be sure to specify the correct meeting: Informal additional sessions of the AWG-KP, AWG-LCA, and ADP, Bangkok, Thailand

Technical issues should be addressed to: onlinereg@unfccc.int

Frequently asked questions on accreditation: <http://unfccc.int/files/press/calender_of_events/accreditation/application/pdf/20060314_press_accreditation_faqs. pdf>

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Press briefings by UNFCCC Executive Secretary Christiana Figueres are tentatively scheduled for 30 August and 5 September in the press conference room (Theatre) in the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC). These will be confirmed closer to the dates.

Governments and NGOs will also give press conferences. A schedule of press conferences will be posted on the UNFCCC website.

INTERVIEWS

Requests for interviews with the UNFCCC Executive Secretary should be addressed to <press at unfccc.int> Interested media are also requested to attend her press conferences, once these are confirmed.

ONLINE, SOCIAL MEDIA

In addition to regularly updated website information <unfccc.int>, community tools such as Facebook, Twitter and Flickr will provide information on the meetings.

Further information is available at: http://unfccc.int/meetings/bangkok_aug_2012/meeting/6812/php/view/press.php

About the UNFCCC

With 195 Parties, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) has near universal membership and is the parent treaty of the 1997 Kyoto Protocol. The Kyoto Protocol has been ratified by 193 of the UNFCCC Parties. Under the Protocol, 37 States, consisting of highly industrialized countries and countries undergoing the process of transition to a market economy, have legally binding emission limitation and reduction commitments. The ultimate objective of both treaties is to stabilize greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that will prevent dangerous human interference with the climate system.