



High-Level engagement on Innovation Report

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Short-term (2018) and mid-term (2020) priority actions that could have significant impact on innovation and deliver concrete results aligned with the long-term aims of the Paris Agreement and feed into the 2018 Facilitative Dialogue are:

Short term:

1. *Non-State actor participation in and input to the preparatory phase of the Talenoa Dialogue with the aim of:*
 - a. *Increasing ambition of non-State actors' by promoting innovation across technology, policy, business models and financing.*
 - b. *Identifying efficient and effective means to aggregate non-State actors' action and contribution to the Global Stocktake exercise.*
 - c. *Providing confidence to Parties on the availability of solutions and non-State actors' willingness to collaborate on innovation.*
2. *Improving the effectiveness of Parties' and non-State actors' actions by identifying innovative collaborative opportunities, through the GCA-MP series of events in 2018-2020.*
3. *Improving the effectiveness of Parties and non-State actors' action through the Technical Examination Process through a series of events in 2018 and 2019 that:*
 - a. *Focus on specific solutions areas and regions*
 - b. *Convene relevant technical experts from both Parties and non-State actors*
 - c. *Focus on policy dialogue specific to implementing solutions for country NDCs*

Mid term:

In collaboration between the relevant Parties and non-state actors, create shared ambition for global and national action plans for decarbonising key sectors, supply-chains and energy end-uses, including:

1. *Technology and solution roadmaps*
2. *Investment and funding mechanisms linked to international climate finance*
3. *Policy frameworks and options for specific regulatory mechanisms*



Marrakech Partnership



New initiatives or commitments on climate action announced at COP 23 were:

*The World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) announced a major expansion of its **below50 project**, designed to rapidly grow the market for the world's most sustainable fuels.*

As part of this expansion, new hubs will begin operating across three continents: Australia, North America and South America.

below50 is a unique collaboration that involves the entire value-chain for low-carbon fuels. It brings forward-thinking businesses together to purchase, consume or produce fuels that emit at least 50% fewer greenhouse gasses (GHGs) than traditional fossil fuels.

By tailoring below50 activities to match local economic, political and geographical contexts – each regional hub is expected to have significant impact on the low-carbon fuels market.

The launch of these hubs is just the beginning of below50's ongoing expansion. In 2018, the project is looking to establish more regional hubs - most likely in China, Mexico and the Philippines.

This strong momentum reflects the growth of the low-carbon fuels sector as well as the growing recognition of the role that low-carbon fuels will play in reducing emissions in transport.