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INFORMATION NOTE

Special event on technological innovation and climate change

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On behalf of the United Nations Climate Change Secretariat, I am pleased to inform you of the *UNFCCC special event on how innovation can support implementation of nationally determined contributions and mid-century strategies*. This event will take place on Friday, 12 May 2017. It will be held at the World Conference Centre Bonn in Bonn, Germany, in conjunction with the United Nations Climate Change Conference.

The UNFCCC Technology Executive Committee (TEC) organizes this event in accordance with its mandated function to recommend actions to promote climate technology development and transfer. It is also consistent with article 10.5 of the Paris Agreement, which notes that accelerating, encouraging and enabling innovation is critical for an effective, long-term global response to climate change. The event is part of the TEC 2016–2018 workplan and aims to highlight the key role that innovation can play in accelerating climate action in developing countries. Specifically, the event focuses on how innovation can support developing countries to speed up the implementation of their nationally determined contributions and mid-century strategies. You may find further information here: www.unfccc.int/tclear/events/2017_event2.

The event will bring together a number of renowned experts on innovation and climate change. They will engage in a constructive dialogue with country experts, delegates and observers participating in the UNFCCC process. The event will be open to Parties and observer organizations registered for the United Nations Climate Conference. Note that as there will be space limitations, access will be on a first-come-first-served basis but the meeting will be webcast (see the above link).

As this event is part of the United Nations Climate Change Conference, the process for registration of representatives of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations is in accordance with the information note sent on January 26, 2017 (<https://goo.gl/IzjCFK>).

Yours sincerely,

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