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## **Voluntary Ex-Ante Notification UNFCCC 01/2016**

The UNFCCC secretariat intends to draw upon the assistance of the University of Melbourne, Australia, in the preparation of the update of the synthesis report contained in document FCCC/CP/2015/7, as requested by COP decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 19. Background information on this exercise is provided below.

Other entities that are capable of and interested in supporting this exercise are invited to submit a description of the interested entity's profile and details of relevant experience, incl. CV's of proposed personnel and relevant references. Descriptions must be forwarded by email to <u>quotation@unfccc.int</u> for the attention of "Procurement Officer" and must be received no later than 02.02.2016 COB.

This notice is posted to capture interest only and does not constitute an invitation to bid or submit a proposal. The UNFCCC secretariat shall consider all interested entities' qualifications and experience in the particular area of expertise, and invite those to submit further information that are found to have the potential to provide useful support. Submitting interest does not automatically guarantee an invitation. The UNFCCC reserves the right to change or cancel the requirements at any time.

## Background

The UNFCCC Conference of the Parties (COP), by its decision 1/CP.19, invited Parties to communicate their intended nationally determined contributions ("INDCs") well in advance of COP21. One year later, the COP requested the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on the aggregate effect of these INDCs and to make it available by 1 November 2015. In responding to this mandate, the secretariat issued document FCCC/CP/2015/7, which was prepared with the assistance of University of Melbourne. This document presents a synthesis of information and provides an assessment of the aggregate effect of the contributions communicated by Parties until 1 October 2015. The aggregate effect is assessed on the basis of aggregate emissions expected from INDCs in 2025 and 2030 and a discussion of these estimates against a set of indicators including cost optimal trajectories to keep temperature rise below 2C above pre-industrial levels.

Since the issuance of the synthesis report, another more than 40 Parties have communicated their INDCs and some have revised theirs. In addition, the Paris Agreement, adopted at COP 21, includes some provisions which are relevant to considering and understanding the aggregate effect of INDCs.

Pursuant to decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 19, the secretariat has been requested to update the synthesis report in the light of the above developments. This assessment should entail an estimate of the expected aggregate emissions in 2025 and 2030 from INDCs communicated by Parties until 4 April 2016, together with an update of all quantitative elements included in the report contained in FCCC/CP/2015/7, as well as a discussion of additional GHG emission trajectories relevant to the Paris Agreement. The estimates shall be arrived at following the same methodology and using the same models, methods and data sources as those used in the preparation of document FCCC/CP/2015/7. Interim results shall be made available to the secretariat by 15 March 2016, and final results by 15 April 2016.