



High-level engagement on Innovation

Tuesday, 14 November 2017

Moving forward together: a collaboration between business and governments in addressing the climate challenge

Overall narrative

To help maintain the political momentum and drive the realization of the Paris Agreement, non-State actors such as business are stepping up to the plate. Through open dialogue and concerted action, the public and private sectors can accomplish the collective ambitions of the climate accord.

The session will begin with two opening keynotes that will set the scene for the importance of business innovation in implementing the Paris Agreement. This will be followed by the first panel discussion on the enabling policy frameworks for innovative partnerships and business solutions.

The second panel will discuss the types of innovation needed and the role that innovation has on strengthening national pledges. This session will also show how, more generally, business can best engage with government on the local, national and international level to encourage implementation of the Paris Agreement. The session will close by shining a spotlight on COP24.

EVENT

Time: 13:15 – 16:30
Room 6

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Short description

A representative group of CEOs and government ministers will discuss the enabling policy frameworks for innovation and the types of innovation required to meet the objectives of the Paris Agreement. The session will close by shining a spotlight on COP24.

Moderator:

- Lord Nicolas Stern, IG Patel Professor of Economics and Government, Chairman of the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment and Head of the India Observatory, London School of Economics
- Mr. Patrick Child, Deputy Director-General of Research and Innovation, European Commission

Opening keynotes

Mr. Jean-Dominique Senard, CEO, Michelin

Mr. Minister Xie Zhenhua*, Special Representative for Climate Change Affairs of China

13:35 – 14:15 Panel 1 – Policy frameworks for innovation

Mr. Jos Delbeke, Director General for Climate Action, European Commission

Ms. Cathy Oke, Councillor in Melbourne, Australia, ICLEI Global Executive Committee Member

Ms. Barbara Frei-Spreiter, Germany President, Schneider-Electric

Mr. Steve Waygood, Chief Responsible Investment Officer, Aviva Investors

Mr. Everton Frask Lucero, Secretary for Climate Change and Forests, Ministry of Environment, Brazil

14:15 – 14:45 Q&A with audience

14:45 – 15:00 Break

15:00-15:10 Innovation Spotlight

Mr. Ulrich Spiesshofer, CEO, ABB

15:10 – 15:50 Panel 2 – New types of innovation needed

Ms. Pamela Lee, Covering Director (Policy & Planning, Climate Change), the National Climate Change Secretariat, Strategy Group, Prime Minister's Office

Mr. Wang Binghua*, Chairman of the Board, State Power Investment Corporation

Ms. Regine Günther, Senator for Environment, Transport and Climate Change, Berlin, Germany

Mr. Ulrich Spiesshofer, CEO, ABB

Mr. Jochen Flasbarth, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Construction and Nuclear Safety, Germany

Dr. Richard Mattison, CEO, Trucost, part of S&P Dow Jones Indices

15:50 – 16:15 Q&A with audience

16:15 – 16:30 Closing

Mr. Jean-Pierre Clamadieu, CEO, Solvay and Vice-Chairman of WBSCD

Mr. Peter Bakker, President and CEO of WBSCD

* Speaker will provide simultaneous interpretation.

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