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EIG ADP opening statement

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Mr. Co-Chair,

This statement is made on behalf of the Environmental Integrity Group, the EIG, comprising Liechtenstein, Mexico, Monaco, the Republic of Korea and Switzerland.

As we all know, concentration of CO₂ in the atmosphere has surpassed 400 parts per million. In that sense the EIG reiterates that mitigation is a necessity and not a break to development but an opportunity for well-being. Mr. Co-Chair, we have no time to lose.

- The 2015 Agreement must provide a clear message to Parties and to the private actors that the future are low carbon economies, and establish robust and predictable legally binding mechanisms for action.
- Pre-2020 ambition is fundamental for the transformation into a low carbon future.
- Sufficient level of ambition needs political willingness and a fair and dynamic differentiation between Parties according to common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities.

Therefore,

- Under workstream 1: we must particularly advance on
 - the common understanding on fair differentiation under the Convention;

- the formulation of mitigation commitments by all Parties, including targets or actions;
 - the process accompanying the formulation of commitments;
 - and on internationally determined rules for accounting and transparency underlying these mitigation commitments.
 - further, on the elements of the 2015 Agreement to empower Parties in the adaptation efforts;
 - the design of the 2015 Agreement to catalyze means of implementation and climate friendly investments, ensuring both a fair burden sharing and targeted support for effective action to those who need such support;
 - and finally, how to best build on the existing institutional arrangements in view of these elements;
 - Mr. Co-Chair, we must urgently deliver on the commitments under the 2015 Agreement, but, at the same time, we must allow for sufficient time to determine the commitments in a meaningful manner, develop common underlying rules for accounting and MRV and get a clear understanding on the legally binding framework and timeframe in which the commitments will be anchored.
- Under workstream 2: we have to recognize current action and encourage Parties to further engage in mitigation, through reduction potentials at national level as well as in the framework of international cooperation. Cooperative action at international level covers a wide range of actions and sectors able to involve all Parties.

Further, the EIG would like to underline the importance of the other ongoing processes relevant for success under workstreams 1 and 2 of the ADP. This includes: the clarification of the 2020-pledges, supporting

the needs for implementation and progress in the understanding and predictability of mobilisation of climate finance. Especially, the EIG countries emphasize the urgency of the operationalization of the Green Climate Fund. We are concerned and disappointed by the slow progress in this regard and urge to advance on the open issues by COP19.

We have benefited from your wisdom, your supportive and clear leadership, and the constructive setting in which you have stirred our work. Mr Co-chairs, we all would like to thank you for this! The informal round-tables and workshops have proven to be effective for the first part of our work at hand. At one moment, we may have to move into a different, more formal working modality, which is clearly reflecting the two distinct work streams through two formal working groups. It may well be that the COP in Warsaw may be the right movement for this step. On a final note, Mr Co-Chairs, the EIG would like to suggest to consider to suspend the ADP at this session and thus to allow the focused and productive work that we started in April to continue. We encourage you, Mr. Co-Chairs, to capture further progress achieved over the next two weeks in summaries, including outlining the areas of deepened common ground. Such organisation under the ADP will allow seamless transition of the chairmanship to the new Co-Chairs to be elected here in Bonn.

Thank you, Mr. Co-Chair

