COP19 (Warsaw, 11 – 22 Nov. 2013) EIG ADP opening statement

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.

Mr Co-Chair

First of all, the EIG congratulates you and your Co-Chair for your election. The EIG is very much looking forward to working with you.

Mr Co-Chair

The ADP here in Warsaw must take a significant step towards the **2015 Agreement**.

Warsaw must provide a clear signal of all Parties to participate under the 2015 Agreement through appropriate mitigation commitments, which may include targets or actions. These commitments of all Parties must be based on the same legal form and on the same internationally agreed rules. It is such a rules-based system common to all Parties that will allow for ex ante comparability of efforts - with common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities taken into account -, that will provide the certainty to the Parties to act in a collective effort and, thus, that will allow for trust and ambition to prosper. We need a rules-based – yet dynamic and flexible regime with the participation of all Parties reflecting the changing economic realities, national circumstances, common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities.

With the same priority, we must address adaptation under the 2015 Agreement - in a differentiated manner as required. The 2015 Agreement shall promote cooperation in adaptation in view to increase adaptive capacity and resilience of all Parties in the context of sustainable development.

Furthermore, the 2015 Agreement must be underpinned by adequate means of implementation, an effective financial mechanism and contributions from all developed Parties and those in a position to do so, according to their responsibilities, capacities and equity.

Here in Warsaw we must provide a clear signal that all Parties are preparing for their efforts in mitigation, adaptation and mobilization of means of implementation post-2020.

It is necessary for this workstream of the ADP work in a more focused way during 2014 that will allow for the drafting of text of the new instrument, as decided at COP 18. Therefore, the EIG advocates the adoption of a Decision, at this COP with the elements, structure and scope of the new agreement.

Mr Co-Chair

Pre-2020 Mitigation Ambition is another urgent workstream under the ADP. The current global mitigation ambition falls short from the recommendations by science to hold global temperature increase below two degrees Celsius – we have to strengthen international cooperation on immediate additional actions. Here in Warsaw we must set up focused and technical work under the ADP workstream 2 examining concrete options to increase ambition. And we must provide for a platform to foster initiatives additional to the current mitigation commitments. Finally, the UNFCCC must send a clear invitation to the Montreal Protocol for phasing down the highly climate relevant HFCs.

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It is crucial that the urgent issue of pre-2020 ambition is considered at the high-level. The EIG is looking forward to working with you towards a successful Ministerial dialogue under the ADP here in Warsaw on the issue of pre-2020 ambition as well as the 2015 Agreement.

Thank you, Mr Co-Chair,

