

Submission by Indonesia

Long-term Finance

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Indonesia welcomes the invitation to share its views on long-term finance to assist the Secretariat in preparing an information document for consideration by the Co-Chairs of the Work Programme on Long-term Finance for the period of 2013. Indonesia's views are as follows:

Substance and activities

In order to have rich and effective discussions, developed country Parties should be encouraged to hold preparatory meetings among themselves to prepare their presentation on the focused areas covered for the long-term finance work programme in 2013, especially with regard to identification of pathways to mobilize scaled up finance to USD100 billion per year by 2020. Indonesia is of the view that paving ways towards scaled up financing require coordinated efforts among Parties and key stakeholders to ensure additionality, predictability and sustainability of climate change financing.

In line with this suggestion, Indonesia believes that, in addition to presenting views from the experts of independent think-tank groups and international agencies, workshops and other activities undertaken for the work programme in 2013 should also discuss plans of developed countries, including ways and means they have identified, to mobilize climate finance committed in COP16 and ease additional fiscal and financial burdens faced by developing countries as a result of climate change.

The work programme of long-term finance in 2012 already presented useful debates in relation to enabling environment and policy framework to enable effective mobilization of climate change finance. Discussions on the topic can be advanced in this year's work programme through case studies which present real initiatives on the ground and lessons learned. Indonesia underlines that improvement of policy and enabling environment to enhance effectiveness of climate finance is a real concern that needs to be addressed in developed and developing countries alike. In this spirit, focus should be given on incentivizing positive changes as appropriate.

Process

Indonesia appreciates the level of transparency that was reflected in the course of work programme on long-term finance in 2012. Indonesia hopes that this will be maintained for all activities conducted during this year's work programme.

Activities of work programme in 2013 will benefit from greater participation of experts and stakeholders from developing countries. Indonesia hopes that adequate funding will be allocated for such purpose.

Follow-up

At COP18, the report of the Co-Chairs of work programme on long-term finance received high appreciation from both developing and developed countries, as well as the stakeholders of climate change financing which followed the debates. However, the COP decisions in relation to the Co-Chairs' report offered no substantive and action-oriented follow-ups. This is incredibly disproportionate compared to the time, energy and resources spent for all activities to produce the report, and consequently, raised the question of accountability.

Drawing from this lesson, Indonesia underscores the importance of accountability in the process of long-term finance work programme 2013. Indonesia wishes that the Co-Chairs report will be utilized as the basis of decisions in COP19, emphasizing on actions, in order to provide better clarity and higher assurance on the provision of climate finance from developed countries to address the needs of developing countries for the period of 2013-2020.