

AILAC GST – Closing Plenary Intervention

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Thank you co-facilitator:

1. Panama has the honour of delivering this statement on behalf of AILAC. We start by associating ourselves with the statement made by the distinguished representative from Pakistan on behalf of the G77 and China.
2. We wish to thank all those involved in preparing and coordinating the Technical Dialogue, with a particular mention of the cofacilitators, Farhan and Harald.
3. We also thank the participants, including Parties, experts, and – crucially, the non-state actors. Their active participation was highly innovative and brought messages of urgency and inspiration, along with concrete advice for immediate action in the light of urgency. We look forward to their reflections as we move towards the Second Technical Dialogue under this First GST.
4. The successful World Café showed that it is possible to allow a diverse range of technical input and interaction on the issues that underpin the consideration of progress, and in informing further action and ambition regarding the long – term goals of the Paris Agreement. It allowed us all to appreciate new ideas about the work that lies before us.
5. The roundtables were only partially successful, in that many Parties brought a lot more technical information, and we slowly started to talk to each other, reacting and building upon what was being heard in the room. However, we the Parties have to strive to go further under this technical exercise, and, as we move towards the GST outcome, leave behind our political points, while focusing on the technical aspects to ensure quality in that outcome, and quality that lives up to the task of the ambition it must deliver under Paris. This is a key part of the learning-by-doing.
6. Regarding the technical content, we heard a huge amount of information, although some important topics were not fully addressed. Clear themes and trade-offs emerged, with the scientific imperative that all Parties engage in pathways towards Paris facing off directly against the historical lack of ambition in progressing towards our long – term goals, and the resulting deficit of trust due to the root causes of those shortcomings.
7. Going forward, we invite the cofacilitators to focus the content of discussions more closely on the solution space as laid out by climate science. Concretely, we would recommend:
 - a) setting up round-tables to explore the technical elements underpinning critical trade-offs, so that Parties gain trust in moving from their set positions and engaging with technical language in light of basing our work upon the science
 - b) expert discussions on the tools available to operationalize the shift to different development pathways
 - c) sectoral transitions and transformations, with a holistic review of the necessary enablers and drivers, and how they can be put in place, in particular to allow developing countries to undertake the necessary transitions towards 1.5°C.
8. We will continue to advance our thinking as we move towards the Second Technical Dialogue and the outcome of the GST to drive enhanced ambition. We want to express our full confidence in Farhan and Harald and affirm our disposition to engage in this process in the coming sessions.

Thank you