



## **April 28-29 Presidencies Consultations- Transparency and Common Time Frames**

### **Introduction**

The UK (incoming COP26 Presidency) and Chile (COP25 Presidency) are pleased to invite you to this Heads of Delegation meeting to discuss matters relating to the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) and Common Time Frames (CTFs).

As you know, this is the fourth of a regular series of multilateral consultations convened by the presidencies throughout 2021, as stepping stones towards reaching an ambitious, comprehensive and balanced negotiated outcome in Glasgow. Last month focused on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, and next month will focus on Finance.

These consultations form part of broader planning developed together with the Subsidiary Body Chairs and the UNFCCC Secretariat. Please see the [UNFCCC website](#) for previous communication on this, as well as the [open letter](#) COP President Designate Alok Sharma recently wrote to all Parties regarding the UN climate change process and making effective progress in June. All of our activities remain guided by the Bureau's assertion to maximise progress and minimise disruption, and by the shining stars of progress, transparency, inclusivity and solidarity, as set out at the January consultations.

### **Discussion Questions**

The questions below are intended as guides for our discussion. Given time constraints, Heads of Delegation are encouraged to address them in the round in their interventions.

- **What are the key issues under the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) that require the attention of HoDs, and what solutions can we consider to enable adoption of the ETF at COP26?**
- **What guidance can HoDs give to technical experts as they progress detailed work this year on the ETF? How could this work serve negotiations at COP26?**
- **What are the important considerations to be addressed in a substantive outcome on common time frames at COP26, and what concrete steps do we need to take between now and COP26 in order to resolve CTFs by then?**

### **Timing**

**The consultations will be a single conversation involving all Parties, split across two days, in an effort to enhance inclusivity.** As we schedule these meetings, we continue to rotate through the time zones so that no region disproportionately benefits or is adversely impacted. These arrangements reflect feedback from parties to encourage inclusive participation. Timings are as follows:

<b>Wednesday, 28 April 2021</b>	-	<b>2:00 - 4:30 pm GMT (4.00 – 6.30 pm CEST)</b>
<b>Thursday, 29 April 2021</b>	-	<b>6:00 - 8:30 am GMT (8.00 – 10.30 am CEST)</b>

## **Attendees**

Heads of Delegation from all Parties are invited and able to participate. SBI Chair Marianne Karlsen and SBSTA Chair Tosi Mpanu Mpanu will also attend and address Parties early in the first part of the meeting.

## **Meeting Structure**

The consultations will be co-chaired by the UK and Chile. All Parties are eligible to intervene, subject to time constraints.

The meeting will follow similar etiquette to a UNFCCC plenary, with group chairs given priority over individual Parties. Emphasis will be placed on engaging in a constructive manner, working towards shared solutions.

Next steps will be discussed at the meeting, and the presidencies will share a note with Parties afterwards for transparency.

## **Etiquette & Technical Information**

A note with further information on meeting etiquette, the technological platform used, and wider logistical matters has been shared with Parties alongside this note.