Opening remarks by the Co-Chair of the Paris Committee on Capacity-Building (Ms. Marzena Chodor)

Event: Institutionalizing data management system: 2nd CGE pilot informal forum

- I would like to thank the CGE for the invitation.
- The PCCB is mandated to addresses current and emerging gaps and needs in implementing and further enhancing capacity-building in developing countries. As part of that we work on coherence and coordination with constituted bodies and other stakeholders.
- We recently published a technical paper National-level pilot exercise on capacity gaps and needs related to the implementation of nationally determined contribution on gaps and needs and one of the key gabs identified were the need for capacity building to track climate action.
- Transparency is crucial for effectively stepping up global climate action at a national and international level, and therefore raising ambition. This is recognized not only in the Paris Agreement, through its Enhanced Transparency Framework, but also in the guidelines for implementing the Agreement adopted last year in Katowice.
- In its effort to support developing countries the CGE has developed resource materials to assist countries prepare and report on their climate actions, including GHG inventories, mitigation actions, vulnerability and adaptation assessments, capacity-building, financial and technological support.
- In addition, it organizes workshops and webinars to address any capacity gaps. The CGE also conducts surveys of developing countries to understand their gaps and needs to prepare their National Communications and BUR. We see a lot of potential for collaboration with the CGE on this regard.
- The Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) set out in its 2019 Strategic Plan for Stakeholder Engagement, Communications and Resource Mobilization the basis for establishing a Network to assist it in achieving its mandate.

- In line with the Strategic Plan for Stakeholder Engagement, Communications and Resource Mobilization, the proposed goal of the Network would be to foster synergies in capacity-building efforts for the implementation of the Paris Agreement, under and outside the Convention.
- The Network would enable the PCCB to reach out to a diverse set of stakeholders and build a more systematic and coherent approach to identifying capacity-building gaps and needs of developing countries as well as to increasing coherence in capacity-building activities within and outside the Convention across the full spectrum of climate-related capacity-building initiatives and activities.
- In the spirit of partnership, the PCCB seeks to engage organizations at local, national, regional, and global levels in the PCCB Network. In line with the PCCB's mandate, the PCCB Network would be aimed at facilitating access to information and knowledge on capacity-building for climate action, across sectors, regions, and governance levels.
- As you may be aware the PCCB is being reviewed during this COP. We are hoping that the negotiation will yield a positive result.
- On behalf of the PCCB, wish you all fruitful discussions.