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Oral report by the Chair of Advisory Board of the CTCN and Director of CTCN

The initial five-year hosting agreement for the CTCN was extended four more years at COP23. One year later, its implementing partners have now completed 60 technical assistance interventions and contributed to measurable and meaningful adaptation and mitigation impacts in support of the climate technology objectives of developing countries.

The expertise of the CTCN, co-hosts UN Environment and UNIDO, and its founding Consortium Partners is now supplemented by 475 Network members from all over the world. These partnerships have not only led to technical assistance activities in 79 countries, but capacity building for 2500 individuals and the curation of more than 17,000 online resources through its website. It has formed good working partnerships with the bodies of the Financial Mechanism, and through its geographic approach expects to scale-up its impact by working more closely with regional development banks and developing more multi-country solutions to address commonly-faced barriers to the deployment of climate technology.

The CTCN remains grateful to all of the countries that have contributed to its achievements thus far, particularly the European Commission, Norway and Denmark. Traditional and non-traditional donor countries such as Japan and Korea, respectively, are also investing in the potential of the Technology Mechanism, including through voluntary sponsorship that matches international needs with domestic expertise. At the same time, South-South cooperation has started to take hold as country experts and focal points share their experience implementing solutions to shared challenges related to climate change.

The CTCN welcomes all delegates to a side event and reception on December 10th to celebrate the achievements of its first five years, and looks forward to continued positive collaboration with new and existing partners in support of the objectives of the Paris Agreement as well as to positive outcomes here in Katowice.