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Fourth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme

Global Dialogue: 4 October 2024
Investment-focused Event: 5 October 2024

Maritim Jolie Ville Resort in Naama Bay, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt
(All times are in local time)

Global Dialogue - 4 October 2024

Time / location	Session
8:00 – 9:00 Foyer	**Registration for the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Fourth Global Dialogue and Investment-focused event**
	Opening
09:00 – 09:20 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	**Welcome remarks** • **Counselor Ms. Taghareed El Goweily**, Director, Environmental Affairs, Climate, Environment and Sustainable Development Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Arab Republic of Egypt **Opening remarks** • **Ms. Iman Ustadi**, Deputy Chief Negotiator, COP28 Presidency • **Mr. Elchin Allahverdiyev**, COP29 Presidency Senior Negotiator, Team Lead for Mitigation, Incoming COP29 Presidency • **Mr. Daniele Violetti**, Senior Director, UNFCCC secretariat **Introduction to the fourth global dialogue** by the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme
	Scene-setting presentation
9:20 – 10:30 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	**Presentation by experts** **Spatial planning and low-carbon infrastructure** • **Prof. Dr. Diana Urge-Vorsatz**, Professor, Central European University, Vice Chair, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change • **Ms. Tejal Kanitkar**, Associate Professor, Energy Environment and Climate Change, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bengaluru, India **Electrification and switching to net-zero emission resources** • **Dr. Hua Wang**, Senior Researcher, National Center of Technology Innovation for Green and Low-Carbon Building, China • **Ms. Vida Rozite**, Energy Analyst, International Energy Agency *(virtual)*

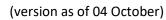|	**Enhance carbon storage through green and blue infrastructure** • **Mr. Nate Macmillan**, Decarbonisation and Green Innovation Director, ASCON Energy Limited • **Ms. Firdaous Oussidhoum**, Assistant Secretary General for Monitoring and Impact, UCLG World Secretariat Barcelona *(virtual)* **Explanation of Breakout workshops**
10:30-10:50	**Break**

Breakout Workshops

All 3 thematic workshops will run in parallel. Participants will join one of the three breakout rooms

Each Workshop Round will run for approximately 100 minutes with a short break in between to allow facilitators and experts to switch between breakout rooms.

Guiding question for breakout workshops:

1. What are opportunities, best practices and actionable solutions to urgently scale up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade in each of the respective sub-topics?

2. What are the challenges and barriers (e.g. policies, finance, technology and capacity, sustainable development and socioeconomic) to urgently scale up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade in each of the respective sub-topics?

10:50 – 12:30	**Workshop Round 1**		
	Breakout Group 1: **Spatial planning and low-carbon infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Ms. Nadine Bitar** Executive Director, Baladiya Catalyst	*Breakout Group 2:* **Electrification and switching to net-zero emission resources** *Facilitator* **Ms. Amira Ayoub** CEO, KAWN	*Breakout Group 3:* **Enhance carbon storage through green and blue infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Mr. Yunus Arikan** Director of Global Advocacy, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability; LGMA Focal Point
	Nuweiba	*Sinai*	*El Tor*
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch Break**		
14:00 – 15:40	**Workshop Round 2**		
	Breakout Group 1: **Enhance carbon storage through green and blue infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Mr. Yunus Arikan** Director of Global Advocacy, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability; LGMA Focal Point	*Breakout Group 2:* **Spatial planning and low-carbon infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Ms. Nadine Bitar** Executive Director, Baladiya Catalyst	*Breakout Group 3:* **Electrification and switching to net-zero emission resources** *Facilitator* **Ms. Amira Ayoub** CEO, KAWN
	Nuweiba	*Sinai*	*El Tor*

15:40-15:50	Break		
15:50-17:30	**Workshop Round 3**		
	Breakout Group 1: **Electrification and switching to net-zero emission resources** *Facilitator* **Ms. Amira Ayoub** CEO, KAWN	*Breakout Group 2:* **Enhance carbon storage through green and blue infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Mr. Yunus Arikan** Director of Global Advocacy, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability; LGMA Focal Point	*Breakout Group 3:* **Spatial planning and low-carbon infrastructure** *Facilitator* **Ms. Nadine Bitar** Executive Director, Baladiya Catalyst
	Nuweiba	*Sinai*	*El Tor*
17:30 – 17:45	**Break**		
17:45 - 18:00 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	<u>**Closing Session**</u> *Moderated by co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme*		
	- Report back from Breakout Sessions - Closing by the co-chairs		

Investment-focused Event – 5 October 2024

Time/ location	Session
9:00 – 9:10 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	**Introduction to the fourth investment-focused event** by the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme

9:10- 10:10
 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom
	Addressing structural barriers to investment – cost of capital with focus on currency risk
	
	 In this session, key clean finance and investment stakeholders come together to discuss structural barriers related to mobilizing investment and share opportunities, good practice, and potential solutions to address this barrier to investment.
	
	 Moderated by Dr. Amr Osama Abdel-Aziz, co-chair of the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme
	
	   - Presentation by **Ms. Zeineb Ben Yahmed**, Climate Finance Senior Analyst, Climate Policy Initiative
	   - Panel discussion
	     • **Mr. Nicolas Picchiottino,** Secretary General, International Development Finance Club *(virtual)*
	     • **Mr. Neil Cole,** Financing Manager, Just Energy Transition Projects Management Unit (JET PMU), The Presidency, South Africa *(virtual)*
	     • **Mr. Manfred Schepers,** Founder and CEO, ILX Fund *(virtual)*
	   - Question and answer session

10:10- 10:20	**Break**
10:20- 11:20 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	**Solutions hub introduction** *The Solutions Hub will provide an opportunity for interested Parties and non-Party stakeholders to share scalable solutions and lessons learnt to unlock finance that could benefit other policymakers.* *The Solutions Hub is not designed to support financial match-making for project in early stages of development, nor to provide a platform to advertise or promote specific brands or commercial solutions.* *Participants selected through a pre-determined process including based on submissions will present solutions to policymakers, experts and financiers. Solutions relevant to the thematic area of the 4th Global Dialogue (urban systems) will be given priority.* • **Mr. Nicholas You**, Executive Director, Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation; Co-Chair, Open Green City Lab, Shenzhen
11:20- 11:40	**Break**
11:40- 17:50	**Pitch hub** *The Pitch Hub will provide an opportunity for interested Parties to share a project idea with investors, financial institutions, and other policymakers with a view to facilitate investment and project preparation.*

	Participants selected through a pre-determined process will make pitches to investors and policy makers on their project proposals under various thematic areas such as cities and urban systems, buildings, renewables, transport and energy efficiency. *Interested Parties have been requested to submit a project proposal to be included in the pitch hub.* *The pitch hub will take place in four breakout rooms which will run in parallel (up to 4 projects may be presented in parallel in each round).*			
	Sinai	*Nuweiba*	*Nabq*	*El Tor*
12:30-14:00	**Lunch Break**			
14:00 – 17:30	**Continue Pitch hub (16:00-16:20 coffee break)**			
	Sinai	*Nuweiba*	*Nabq*	*El Tor*
17:30 – 18:00 Sinai Peninsula Ballroom	**Closing Plenary** **Summary and reflections:** • The co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme **Closing remarks:** • **Mr. Harry Vreuls**, SBSTA Chair			