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Mr President, Excellencies,

Reaching the Paris Agreement goal is our **shared commitment**. Here, in Katowice, we can show our will to reach consensus to implement it.

COP24 can give a **clear signal** to the world that urgent climate action is possible. We can show that the international community is dedicated to act in view of the recent **IPCC Special Report**.

Successful completion of the Paris Agreement Work Programme is our only choice here. **Together with the European Union**, Estonia supports a common **set of clear rules that** follow the spirit of what was agreed in Paris.

The Special Report demonstrates the risks of global warming to our societies, to the nature, and to the sustainable development goals. However, it is equally important to keep in mind the **opportunities** while respecting just transition of the economies and the workforce. That is why we are excited to share and learn from experiences in the **Talanoa Dialogue**.

In Estonia, the Parliament adopted a **long-term strategy** in 2017, with a view to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050 compared to 1990. It will not be easy, but gives us a good chance to redesign our economy the way it benefits all.

Estonia is contributing to the **cooperation with developing countries**. We focus to the green technology start-ups and NGOs that export their solutions and know-how to these countries.



REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA
PRIME MINISTER

Dear colleagues,

The Republic of Estonia celebrates its 100 years in 2018. We have offered a gift to the world - the **World Cleanup Day** on the 15th of September. 10 years ago 50 000 people cleaned up mismanaged waste in Estonia for the first time. This year 15 million people did the same in 158 countries. It was certainly a good message that we can act together. Particularly for the youth around the world that is much more aware of the environmental issues and who sees here opportunities in doing business.

In conclusion, Estonia is determined to work with other EU Member States and the world towards low emission economy. We hope to take a good manual for this with us from here!

Thank you!

