



Roundtable on pre-2020 implementation and ambition

30 November - 1 December 2020

External Concept Note

I. Context

The Conference of the Parties by its [decision 1/CP.25](#), paragraphs 18–19, decided to hold, at COP 26 (in 2020), a round table among Parties and non-Party stakeholders on pre-2020 implementation and ambition (hereafter the round table) and invited Parties and non-Party stakeholders to submit inputs via the submission portal by September 2020 to inform the round table. Submissions of views were received from the Republic of Gabon on behalf of the African Negotiators Group, China and Germany and the European Commission on behalf of the EU and its member states.¹

The COP, in paragraph 21 of the same decision, also requested the secretariat to prepare a summary report by September 2021 on the basis of the outcomes of the round table to serve as an input for the second periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it.

In response to the request by the COP and following the guidance received from the Bureau of the COP, the round table, envisaged at heads of delegations level, will be held during the Climate Dialogues in two time slots: on 30 November (17.00–19.00 CET), focussing on sharing evidence on progress towards implementation and ambition; and on 1 December (16.30–18.30 CET), focussing on discussing lessons-learned from the period that can be taken forward.

II. Description/Objective

The round table will provide a space for continued consideration by Parties of efforts in relation to implementation and ambition in the pre-2020 period, taking into account the views expressed in the above-mentioned submissions and the 2018-19 stocktakes on this matter and other relevant events. It is expected that it will be conducive to open and frank discussions among Parties and non-Party stakeholders, with a view to inspire everyone in pursuing more ambitious global efforts in the post-2020 period.

III. Proposed programme

To achieve this goal, the round table will start with short ice-breaker presentations and providing updates on where we are in terms of pre-2020 implementation and ambition, considering aspects relating to mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation.

These presentations will be followed by focused, facilitative and engaging discussions that will address good practices and lessons learnt, based on the pre-2020 experiences, for accelerating GHG emission

¹ <https://unfccc.int/event/roundtable-on-pre-2020-implementation-and-ambition>.



reduction, strengthening resilience and mobilizing support, including climate finance, and shifting financial flows towards low greenhouse gas emissions and climate-resilient development.

A good mix of representatives of Parties and non-Party stakeholders will be ensured. The draft agenda and guiding questions for the general discussion will be made available on the event webpage. The round table will be live streamed on the web.

Finally, in accordance with the COP decision 1/CP.25, paragraph 20, the secretariat will prepare a summary report on the basis of the outcomes of the round table to serve as an input for the structured expert dialogue of the second periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it.

IV. Contact/Additional Information

(Contact email and eventual link for more information)

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