COP 24 stocktake on Pre-2020 implementation and ambition

Background
COP 23 noted that all Parties share the view that pre-2020 implementation and ambition are of utmost importance. It also emphasized that enhanced pre-2020 ambition can lay a solid foundation for enhanced post-2020 ambition. In this context, the COP decided to convene stocktakes on pre-2020 implementation and ambition at its twenty-fourth (2018) and twenty-fifth (2019) sessions. This note provides an overview of the stocktake on pre-2020 implementation and ambition to be held as part of COP 24 in Katowice, Poland.

Purpose
The COP 24 stocktake aims to facilitate the continued consideration by Parties of efforts in relation to implementation and ambition in the pre-2020 period. It also aims to bring visibility to and create a more coherent understanding of the pre-2020 work of the UNFCCC bodies. The stocktake may also provide a space for a holistic reflection by ministers and other high-level representatives of challenges in and opportunities for enhancing pre-2020 implementation and ambition. COP 23 requested the secretariat to prepare a report of the COP 24 stocktake.

Format
COP 23 decided that the COP 24 stocktake on pre-2020 implementation and ambition will have the format of the COP 22 facilitative dialogue. This means that the stocktake will have two parts: a technical meeting in the first week of COP 24 and a high-level meeting in the second week of COP 24. Furthermore, COP 23 decided that the COP 24 stocktake, to take place in Katowice, Poland, will consider, inter alia:

(a) The inputs of the COP, the CMP, the SBI, the SBSTA, the constituted bodies under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism;
(b) The mitigation efforts of Parties in the pre-2020 period;
(c) The provision of support in the pre-2020 period;
(d) The work of the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action. This includes the summaries for policymakers of the technical examination processes and the yearbooks on climate action prepared by the high-level champions.

Written inputs of the constituted bodies and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism for the pre-2020 stocktake are available at: https://unfccc.int/topics/pre-2020. As decided by COP 23, a further input to the pre-2020 stocktake is a synthesis report on pre-2020 implementation and ambition. The report synthesizes submissions by Parties on additional information on progress in implementing decision 1/CP.21, section IV: enhanced action prior to 2020. The report is available here: https://unfccc.int/documents/182408.

Approach
The technical part of the stocktake will be opened by Mr. Adam Guibourgé-Czetwertyński, Chief Negotiator of the COP 24 Presidency. The high level part of the stocktake will be opened by the President of COP24, CMP14 and CMA1, H.E. Mr. Michal Kurtyka together with the Deputy Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC, Mr. Ovais Sarmad, and moderated by a high-level expert. Two ministers will close the stocktake.

The stocktake will have two parts:
- A technical part will be held during the first week of COP 24 on Wednesday 5 December from 10:00 – 13:00 in Plenary 2. It will provide an opportunity for a reflection of the efforts of UNFCCC bodies and entities and the Marrakech Partnership on pre-2020 implementation and ambition;
- A high-level part will be held during the second week of COP 24, on Monday 10 December from 10:00 – 13:00 in Plenary 2. It will provide an opportunity for Ministers to reflect on pre-2020 implementation and ambition.

Both parts of the stocktake will consist of a key note speech followed by two interactive panel discussions. Panellists will be invited to respond to pre-determined questions, and then engage in a moderated panel discussion, followed by an open discussion in plenary. The stocktake will be open to observers and webcast. In due time, further information will be made available on the pre-2020 stocktake, including the programmes of both parts.