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NOTIFICATION

United Nations Climate Change Conference 17–27 June 2019, Bonn, Germany

I wish to notify Parties and observer States to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement of the forthcoming fiftieth sessions of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SB 50).

The sessions will be held from 17 to 27 June 2019 at the World Conference Center Bonn (WCCB), Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn, Germany (see http://www.worldccbonn.com/en.html).

The online registration system (available at https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/), which allows Parties to nominate representatives to attend sessions, is open for registration for SB 50 from Friday, 8 March 2019, until the end of the conference. The manual on how to access and use the system is available at https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/onlinereg/public/UNFCCC_ORS_User_Manual-Parties and Observer States.pdf.

Online registration is the only official channel for nominating participants for SB 50. The secretariat is not in a position to receive nominations sent by any other method, such as email, letter or fax. For assistance, please email onlinereg@unfccc.int.

Distribution: To Parties and observer States through their national focal points for climate change and diplomatic missions accredited to the Federal Republic of Germany.



Two annexes are attached to this notification:

- Annex I provides information on the preparatory meetings of the least developed countries, small island developing States, African Group and Group of 77 and China;
- Annex II provides information for participants, including the opening hours of the registration desk and information on visas for Germany, hotel accommodation and transportation.

The provisional agendas for the sessions will be issued in due course.

Any additional information on SB 50 will be posted on the UNFCCC website at https://unfccc.int/SB-50.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

Patricia Espinosa



Annex I

List of preparatory meetings

Least developed countries	11 and 12 June 2019	Upper Conference Room Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus United Nations Campus Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1 53113 Bonn
Small island developing States	13 and 14 June 2019	Upper Conference Room Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus United Nations Campus Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1 53113 Bonn
African Group	13 and 14 June 2019	Chamber Hall WCCB, Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn
Group of 77 and China	15 and 16 June 2019	Chamber Hall WCCB, Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

From Tuesday, 11 June 2019, to Friday, 14 June 2019, the registration desk will be located on the upper level of the Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus at the United Nations Campus.

Entrance and exit for the preparatory meetings of the least developed countries and small island developing States will be through the main gate of the United Nations Campus.

Special arrangements for the meetings of the African Group and the Group of 77 and China: After obtaining their badge at the registration desk located on the upper level of the Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus at the United Nations Campus, participants will be required to exit the premises via the main gate. A turnstile will be enabled for exit only without access card. Participants should then proceed to the main entrance of the WCCB Plenary Building for their respective meetings in the Chamber Hall.

As of Saturday, 15 June 2019, the registration desk will be located at WCCB. Participants in the meeting of the Group of 77 and China and the meetings of the subsidiary bodies should use the main entrance to WCCB.



Annex II

Information for participants

Essential documents	Please consult the UNFCCC website at https://unfccc.int/documents for all available documents.	
Funding	A separate communication will be sent to eligible Parties in due course.	
Visas	All foreign delegates entering Germany must have a valid passport. Participants requiring a visa are strongly encouraged to contact the appropriate consular authorities as soon as possible following receipt of this notification. The issuance of a visa for Schengen States may take up to two weeks from the date of submission of the visa application. To facilitate the issuance of a visa, a copy of the acknowledgement letter from the online registration system must be attached to the visa application. Participants are advised that obtaining a Schengen visa is contingent on the participant securing comprehensive insurance that covers their entire stay. If travelling more than once, it is recommended to obtain insurance that covers the period of all intended stays. Participants should indicate also if a Schengen visa has been issued to them in the last 59 months. For more information, visit the English language website of the German Federal Foreign Office at https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/einreiseundaufenthalt/visabestimmungen-node (also available in French and Spanish) and the website of the German Mission that will handle the visa application.	
Accommodation and transport	The City of Bonn offers a package for accommodation and public transport. Hotel bookings made through the City of Bonn designated web page for the conference (https://www.bonn-region.de/events/bonn-climate-change-conference-june-2019.html) include a free public transportation ticket for the city and Verbund Rhein-Sieg region. The print-at-home PDF ticket is valid for the duration of the hotel stay and will be sent automatically with the hotel reservation confirmation. For further assistance, use the following contact information: Email: a.isengard@bonn-region.de Telephone: +49 (0) 228 910 41 33	



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All participants wishing to attend the sessions must be duly registered. Online registration is now open for nomination and confirmation of representatives by	
Parties and observer States.	
From Tuesday , 11 June 2019 , the registration desk will be located in the Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus at the United Nations Campus, Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, 53113 Bonn.	
As of Saturday, 15 June 2019 , the registration desk will be located at WCCB, Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn.	
Upon arrival, participants will be requested to proceed to the registration desk during the hours indicated below to collect their badge for access to the conference premises.	
The acknowledgement letter of the participant's nomination from the online registration system and a valid passport or nationally approved identification card should be presented to the registration staff for the issuance of the badge.	
Registration times:	
From Tuesday, 11 June 2019, to Sunday, 16 June 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.	
From Monday, 17 June 2019, to Saturday, 22 June 2019, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.	
From Monday, 24 June 2019, to Thursday, 27 June 2019, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.	
Early registration before Monday, 17 June 2019, is highly recommended to avoid delays on the first day of the conference.	
The conference venue, including registration, will be closed on Sunday, 23 June 2019.	
Multiple registrations for the conference are not permitted (i.e. registration as an observer organization representative and a Party or State representative and/or press/media representative).	
The venue will open by 8 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. for the duration of the conference.	
Information on side events and exhibits is available on the UNFCCC website at https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/conferences/bonn-climate-change-conference-june-2019/side-events-and-exhibits-at-sb-50 .	



Badges	An official UNFCCC conference badge is needed to access the premises. The badge is issued only on the basis of a confirmation from the online registration system. For security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their badges visibly at all times.	
Press briefings	Parties and observer States wishing to hold press/media briefings during the conference should inform the secretariat in advance to facilitate adequate logistical and technical arrangements. Requests should be addressed directly to the UNFCCC Press Office by email to press@unfccc.int . More information on press conferences can be found at http://unfccc.int/press/items/4862.php .	
Use of cameras and audio/video recording devices	Taking still photographs and making audio or video recordings within a United Nations designated conference venue are subject to the guidelines available at http://unfccc.int/files/parties and observers/ngo/application/pdf/recording at unfccc sessions.pdf and any other guidance or instructions deemed relevant by the UNFCCC secretariat or United Nations Security.	
Disclaimer	Participants are strongly encouraged to obtain comprehensive international medical insurance for their period of participation. The United Nations and the UNFCCC secretariat disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other costs or losses that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In the interest of the security and safety of all participants and the smooth running of the conference, the UNFCCC secretariat reserves the right to deny and/or restrict access to the conference premises or to request registered participants to leave the premises. The UNFCCC secretariat shall not be responsible for any or all expenses incurred by nominated	
	participants who are requested to leave the premises or are refused registration or access to the conference for which they have been nominated and/or registered as participants.	
Shipment allowance	To reduce the carbon footprint of the conference and owing to logistical considerations such as storage availability, the secretariat will not be in a position to receive shipments of a cumulative total weight in excess of 100 kg per Party or observer organization.	
	The Daily Programme for the conference will be made available electronically only. A PDF version will be made available each morning on the UNFCCC conference website.	
Electronic dissemination of information	Daily updates on the negotiations, such as the Earth Negotiations Bulletin, ECO and Third World Network, will be disseminated electronically. To facilitate access, weblinks to the updates will be included in the Daily Programme. Side event schedules will be announced on the UNFCCC website, CCTV screens and the free UNFCCC iOS/Android application "Negotiator". Information on outside events may also be posted on the UNFCCC website.	
	The secretariat strongly encourages disseminating material electronically only.	
