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INFORMATION NOTE TO PARTIES AND OBSERVER ORGANIZATIONS

The UNFCCC Climate Change Dialogues, November/December 2020

The UNFCCC secretariat wishes to inform Parties and observer States to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement, and observer organizations, that from **23 November to 4 December 2020**, a series of online events will be conducted under the guidance of the Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), Mr. Tosi Mpanu-Mpanu, and the Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), Ms. Marianne Karlsen.

This series of events, entitled the “UNFCCC Climate Change Dialogues, November/December 2020 (Climate Dialogues)”, will be convened in collaboration with the Presidency of the Conference of the Parties (COP) at its twenty-fifth session and the incoming COP 26 Presidency and with the support of the secretariat.

Building on the positive experience from the [June Momentum](#), the Climate Dialogues will seek innovative ways to maintain the momentum of the process and advance technical work across the agendas of the governing and subsidiary bodies in light of the decision of the Bureau to postpone the fifty-second sessions of the subsidiary bodies (SB 52) from October 2020 to 2021, as [announced on 22 June 2020](#).

The Climate Dialogues will offer new opportunities for Parties, observer States and other stakeholders to showcase progress and achievements on climate action in 2020. The Climate Dialogues will also provide a platform for advancing implementation of activities and events mandated for 2020 and, to the extent possible, for identifying potential activities that could help Parties to be better prepared for effectively engaging in the work of the subsidiary bodies at the 2021 sessions. The primary focus of the Climate Dialogues will be on the intergovernmental process and on issues pertaining to mandates under the bodies and their agendas, as appropriate. The Climate Dialogues may also include, where possible, a limited number of complementary events held by Parties, observers or other stakeholders that could further inform the discussions.

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The SBSTA and SBI Chairs outlined their plans to convene the Climate Dialogues to the Bureau at its meeting of 25 August 2020, which will be followed by a series of virtual consultations with Parties to further define the modalities and features of the events. Observer organizations will also be engaged in this process, as appropriate.

Further information on the Climate Dialogues will be published shortly after the completion of the above-mentioned consultations. Relevant events that were envisaged in the calendar of [mandated and other events related to SB 52](#) are likely to become part of the Climate Dialogues, and many of them are already reflected in the [Climate Hub 360](#).

As always, the secretariat trusts that it can continue to count on your support in these challenging times and assure you of its commitment to continue to provide you with high-quality support.

