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MESSAGE TO PARTIES

Invitation to the second global dialogue and the second investment-focused event under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme

15-17 October 2023, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

On behalf of the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme, Amr Osama Abdel-Aziz and Lola Vallejo, I am pleased to invite Parties and observer States to the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement to participate in the second global dialogue and the second investment-focused event under the work programme.

The second global dialogue will take place from **15 to 16 October 2023** in hybrid format, with the in-person element taking place in Abu Dhabi. The second investment-focused event will be held on **17 October 2023** in hybrid format, with the in-person element taking place in Abu Dhabi.

The co-chairs are grateful to the incoming COP 28 presidency for hosting the second global dialogue and the second investment-focused event, and to Abu Dhabi Global Markets, International Renewable Energy Agency, and United Nations Conference on Trade and Development for their instrumental support in the organization of the two events.

The second global dialogue is being organized pursuant to decision 4/CMA.4, whereby the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement decided that at least two global dialogues shall be held each year as part of the work programme and requested the secretariat to organize those dialogues under the guidance of the co-chairs of the work programme. Pursuant to the same decision, the co-chairs of the work programme have selected the topics to be discussed at each dialogue in 2023, which will focus on accelerating just energy transition, including by:

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- Implementing policies and measures with a global overview and country-specific experience;
- Addressing financial, technological and capacity-building needs in this area, such as through international cooperation, including with non-Party stakeholders, and provision of support to developing countries;
- Promoting sustainable development and understanding socioeconomic effects.

In particular, the second global dialogue will address the theme of **accelerating just energy transition in transport systems**. Following the structure of the first global dialogue, participants will discuss opportunities and actionable solutions, as well as barriers and challenges, in the transport sector. Below is an indicative list of subtopics for discussion:

- (a) Deploying and shifting to collective and non-motorized modes of transport (rail, urban public transit, cycling, etc.);
- (b) Energy and resource efficiency in the transport sector (design improvements, circular economy and material changes, vehicle vintage, carpooling, etc.);
- (c) Electrification of vehicles (infrastructure, batteries and minerals);
- (d) Shifting to low- or zero-carbon fuels (hydrogen, biofuels, biogas, compressed natural gas).

Nomination and registration

Parties are invited, through their UNFCCC national focal points, to nominate up to **two** in-person participants for the global dialogue and the investment-focused event. Parties are also invited to nominate up to **four** representatives to participate virtually in the global dialogue and the investment-focused event via the active virtual participation modality.

Parties eligible for funding from the secretariat are entitled to funding for two nominated in-person participants for the duration of the global dialogue and the investment-focused event.

Parties are strongly encouraged to nominate experts or practitioners who would substantively enrich the discussions, benefit from, and contribute to the engagement on the topic for 2023 within their national context. Participants may be nominated at Parties' discretion but could include representatives of government institutions in the energy, transport, environment, climate change, planning, economic or investment development or finance sectors or key non-governmental actors. For those interested in following the global dialogue and the investment-focused event without actively participating, it will also be webcast live.

The online registration system (ORS, available at https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/), which allows Parties and observer States to nominate representatives to attend sessions and events on-site or virtual-only, is now open for registration for the second global dialogue and the second investment-focused event under "MWP: 2nd Global Dialogue and IFE". The system will remain open for nomination and confirmation of participants until 28 August 2023, 23:59 Central European Summer Time (CEST).



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The manual on how to access and use the ORS is available at https://onlinereg.unfccc.int/onlinereg/public/UNFCCC_ORS_User_Manual-Parties_and_Observer_States.pdf. The ORS is the only official channel for nominating participants for this event. The secretariat is not in a position to process nominations submitted by any other method. Please note that it is **imperative that a correct and unique email address be provided for each participant** for swift processing of registration confirmations. Once the participant is confirmed in the ORS, an email will be sent to the email address of the confirmed participant.

In view of the need to confirm the arrangements for the global dialogue and the investment-focused event as early as possible, nominations received after the deadline cannot be processed. Logistical details related to travel and participation will be shared directly with the confirmed participants.

For further updates, information on registration, and logistical and technical information, please visit https://unfccc.int/topics/mitigation/workstreams/mitigation-work-programme, where a detailed agenda for the global dialogue will be made available in due course. Queries about the work programme or other matters relating to the global dialogue and the investment-focused event may be sent to mwp@unfccc.int.

Parties are kindly reminded to submit views on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues in 2023 via the submission portal (available at https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx) by **Friday, 15 September 2023**, at the latest, four weeks before the dialogue, in accordance with paragraph 14 of decision 4/CMA.4.

The co-chairs of the work programme and the secretariat look forward to hearing from Parties and welcoming nominated participant(s) to the second global dialogue and the second investment-focused event under the work programme.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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