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Dialogue on long-term cooperative action to address climate change by enhancing implementation of the Convention

Second workshop

Nairobi, 15–16 November 2006

Dialogue working paper 19 (2006)

Schedule

**Advancing development goals in a sustainable way, and
Realizing the full potential of market-based opportunities**

Note by the co-facilitators

When we concluded the first workshop of the Dialogue in May 2006, we promised to prepare a scenario note to accompany the schedule for the second workshop in order to provide more detail about our objectives. The scenario note was issued on 21 August 2006 (see Dialogue Working Paper No.17(2006)). The schedule follows below.

We have been told and we agree that the informal and interactive approach of the first workshop was particularly valuable and we hope delegations will participate in the second workshop in the same spirit. To add to and stimulate contributions from delegations, we have invited a mix of private sector, public sector and international agency representatives from varying geographic regions to provide their insights into the two key themes for discussion at the second workshop:

- Advancing development goals in a sustainable way; and
- Realizing the full potential of market-based opportunities.

We acknowledge that these two themes - indeed all the themes to be considered throughout the Dialogue as directed by decision 1/CP.11 - are connected. We see value however in disentangling them and focusing on the important implications of each, which is why we have separated the discussions on development and markets over the two-day schedule.

One of our objectives in facilitating the Dialogue is to exploit more actively its non-negotiating character, in order to canvass new ideas that might not emerge in a negotiation process. In a sense, it is because the only direct outcomes of the Dialogue are our reports for the Conference of the Parties (COP) that delegations can feel free to question some of the assumptions that underpin and sometimes hinder negotiations. The Dialogue is a place where proposals do not necessarily have to be fully developed before being discussed. So we look forward to hearing even more fresh ideas from delegations in Nairobi!

Most of us know that beyond the Convention/Protocol processes, a number of international groups and institutions have been thinking about ways to enhance cooperation under the Convention. Delegates have had limited opportunities to attend COP side events and other climate-related initiatives relating to that work and we have not previously had the opportunity to consider it under the UNFCCC. We hope you will agree that the open and non-binding nature of the Dialogue makes it a very good forum for us to take a closer look at some of the ideas generated by other processes. We hope that we shall hear from some of them in Nairobi and from some other processes at our third and fourth workshops. In inviting them to contribute, our focus is on the ideas offered rather than their places of origin. We will however aim broadly for an appropriate geographic balance over the Dialogue process as a whole, if not in each workshop.

Schedule for the second workshop

Wednesday 15 November

<p>Session 1 11:00-13:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening • Organizational issues • Recent developments on economics and investments relating to climate change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stern Review on the Economics of Climate Change (Sir Nicholas Stern) ○ World Bank Investment Framework on Clean Energy and Development (Ms. Katherine Sierra) • Exchange of views among Parties <p><i>Questions:¹</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What economic reasons do we have for responding to climate change?</i> ○ <i>What economic opportunities does action on climate change present for different countries and sectors?</i>
<p>Session 2 15:00-18:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Advancing development goals in a sustainable way</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ China's policies and measures to address climate change within the framework of sustainable development (Mr. Gao Guangsheng) ○ Challenges and opportunities in developing a national response to climate change: A small island perspective (Mr. Leon Charles) ○ Climate change and achieving the Millennium Development Goals (UNDP) ○ Development and climate change (Mr. Youba Sokona) • Exchange of views among Parties on concrete actions that would support, and provide the enabling conditions for, further actions to address climate change in the context of sustainable development <p><i>Questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What are the links between sustainable development and climate change?</i> ○ <i>How can synergies and co-benefits be maximized and negative trade-offs minimized via action on sustainable development and climate change? How can the synergies and co-benefits be captured under the Convention?</i> ○ <i>How could institutions, whose work is key to sustainable development, be better integrated in climate change responses?</i> ○ <i>How can it be ensured that the necessary enabling framework is in place soon to support financing of long-term investment compatible with a low-carbon future?</i> ○ <i>What instruments within the UNFCCC can provide the right incentives? What is the UNFCCC missing?</i> ○ <i>What is the potential role of sustainable development policies and measures in encouraging concrete actions and cooperation and what would be the potential role of existing market mechanisms in supporting such policies and measures?</i>

¹ The questions (in italics) have been proposed by the co-facilitators (see Dialogue working paper 17 (2006)) in order to help focus the exchange among Parties. These are the types of questions one may consider when preparing for the Dialogue, but Parties should not feel constrained by these questions as they will not be prompted to respond to each of them directly.

Thursday 16 November

<p>Session 3 10:00-13:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Realizing the full potential of market-based opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An EDF contribution to the dialogue: sharing our experience on climate change, development, and policy instruments (Ms. Claude Nahon - Electricité de France) ○ <i>Title to be confirmed</i> (Ms. Mandy Rambharos - ESKOM) • Exchange of views among Parties on concrete actions that would capture the full potential of market-based opportunities <p><i>Questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>What is the full potential of market-based opportunities? How can this potential be realized, including by building on the experiences with the Kyoto Protocol and emerging national/regional greenhouse gas (GHG) emission trading schemes? Are there novel market-based approaches that have not yet been deployed that could contribute to action on climate change?</i> ○ <i>What is the potential of sectoral approaches?</i> ○ <i>How effective are economic instruments, such as eco-labels, standards, subsidies and taxes and incentives in influencing voluntary action, consumer choice and promoting investment in less GHG intensive activities?</i> ○ <i>What innovative ideas could be developed to engage business in such a way that significant private sector capital is unlocked and the gaps in the innovation chain are addressed?</i> ○ <i>What is the potential of various approaches to provide positive incentives for climate action?</i>
<p>Session 4 15:00-18:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations from other processes and initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ International climate efforts beyond 2012 - Report of the climate dialogue at Pocantico (Mr. Elliot Diringer) ○ Creating incentives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions post 2012: Options from the future actions dialogue (Mr. Ned Helme) • Exchange of views among Parties on concrete actions that would enable Parties to continue to develop effective and appropriate national and international responses to climate change • Organizational issues for future workshops • Any other business • Closing
