NDC-Related Outcomes of COP-24 & the Talanoa Dialogue in the Context of 2020

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Overview

- COP 24 outcome on ambition
- COP 24 outcome on NDCs
- COP 24 outcome on tracking progress
- What is happening in 2020
COP 24 outcome on ambition – Decision 1/CP.24

Ambition
• Stresses the urgency of enhanced ambition by all Parties;
• Recognizes the urgent need to enhance the provision of support by developed country Parties to developing countries;

New/updated NDCs
• Parties whose INDC with a time frame up to 2025 to communicate by 2020 a new NDC and to do so every five years thereafter;
• Parties whose INDC with a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 the contribution and to do so every five years thereafter;

Talanoa Dialogue
• Invitation to consider the outcome of the Talanoa Dialogue when preparing new/updated NDCs, inter alia:
  a) concerted efforts need to be made to increase global ambition
  b) climate change will worsen the quality of life of everyone on the planet, affecting disproportionately the poor and most vulnerable
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Decision 4/CMA.1 - COP 24 outcome on NDCs

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COP 24 outcome on NDCs – ICTU

- ICTU guidance **based on elaboration of information elements** identified in paragraph 27 of the Paris decisions
- To be applied from the **second NDCs** – but Parties are **strongly encouraged** to apply guidance for **new/updated NDCs in 2020**
- Guidance as applicable to the respective NDCs (**no one-size-fits all**)
  - ICTU guidance will help make NDCs more **transparent** and **understandable** to other governments, the civil society and the private sector, and can act as a checklist for those compiling and preparing NDCs
COP 24 outcome on NDCs – Accounting

- Guidance further elaborates Article 4.13 and para 31 of PA
- Guidance shall be applied by all Parties from the second NDCs onwards, but Parties may elect to apply guidance to their first NDC (2020)
- Key principle is the avoidance of double counting
- The information on accounting will be provided in the biennial transparency reports, including through a structured summary

- Provides for common metrics and methodologies (IPCC)
- Provides guidance for use of own methodologies and for PAMs
- Addresses emissions from land sector
- Provides rules for applying technical changes to reference points
- Establishes the principle of “no backsliding”
- Requires Parties to explain why a category is not included.
COP 24 outcome on NDCs – Capacity Building Support

- Recognition of **different starting points**, capacities and national circumstances of Parties
- Importance of **capacity building support** for the **preparation**, **communication and accounting** of NDCs;
- **Support** shall be provided to **developing countries** for implementing Article 4 of the Paris Agreement
- Encouragement to the relevant operating entities of the **Financial Mechanism (GCF/GEF)** and constituted bodies under the Convention to continue to provide capacity-building support
- **Invitation to other organizations to provide support for capacity building**
- Recognition of special circumstances of LDCs and SIDS in accordance with Article 4.6 of the Paris Agreement
COP 24 outcome on tracking progress – 18/CMA.1

Tracking of Progress under the enhanced Transparency Framework:

- Each Party shall provide a **description of its NDC** against which progress will be tracked.
- Each Party shall provide information on the **institutional arrangements** to track progress.
- Each Party shall **identify the indicator(s)** that it has selected to track progress, e.g.
  - net GHG emissions and removals,
  - percentage reduction of GHG intensity,
  - relevant qualitative indicators for a specific policy or measure,
  - mitigation co-benefits of adaptation actions and/or economic
  - other (e.g. hectares of reforestation, percentage of renewable energy use or production, carbon neutrality, share of non-fossil fuel in primary energy consumption and non-GHG related indicators).
- Each Party shall provide the **information for each selected indicator** for the reference point(s), level(s), baseline(s), base year(s) or starting point(s).
- Tracking of progress is directly **linked to the accounting for NDCs**
- Each Party shall provide the **information in a structured summary** to track progress made in implementing and achieving its NDC.
NDCs in 2020 – what is happening

- The Paris Agreement recognizes that its objectives will be achieved through time

- It builds on aggregate and individual progression/ambition

- It establishes a mandatory cycle of NDCs:
  - First submission by 2020
  - Enhanced ambition submitted every 5 years

- Feedback Mechanisms
  - Talanoa dialogue/Global Stocktake
  - Transparency Framework
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- The secretariat will prepare a **synthesis report** (1/CP.21, para. 25);

- All Parties are invited to communicate **long-term low emission development strategies** (1/CP.21, para. 35);
NDCs in 2020 – why updating the NDC

• Clarity on the **Paris Agreement**, its objectives and mechanics as well as on the Katowice “rulebook”
• Outcome of the **Talanoa Dialogue** to inform NDCs
• Clarity and starting point for the **enhanced transparency framework**, including on tracking of progress towards achieving Parties’ individual NDCs and the first global stocktake in 2023
• Further guidance for **information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of and accounting** for NDCs (Decision 4/CMA.1)
• **Kigali Amendment** to the Montreal Protocol
• **Reflecting the reality on the ground** and capturing advances in climate policies and action, climate institutions, climate technologies, climate partnerships and climate data
• Reflect ambitious climate action of **non-Party stakeholders (NPS)** and opportunity to engage with a wide range of stakeholders at the national level to **increase ownership** of climate action and the NDC
• Sending **long-term signals** to the private/investment sector and development partners to inform **investment** decisions

• **Climate Leadership**
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