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Special meeting of the Sub-committee on Sustainable Development on COP24 Outcomes and Roadmap to COP 25 ACP Secretariat, Brussels 5th and 6th March 2019

CONCEPT NOTE

Background

The 24th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP24) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the 14th session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP14) took place from the 3rd to the 14th December 2018 in Katowice, Poland.

In preparation for COP 24, the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States organized a Special Meeting of the Sub-committee on Sustainable Development on 5^h and 6th November 2018 which supported the ACP Group in the development of an *ACP Issues Paper on Katowice Climate Change Conference (COP 24)*.

The ACP Secretariat is now organizing a Special Post-COP24 meeting to assess the outcomes of COP 24 and discuss the way forward on implementation.

The Special Post-COP24 meeting is scheduled to take place on the 5th and 6th March, 2019 at the ACP Secretariat, Brussels, Belgium.

Objectives

The two-day meeting seeks to facilitate dialogue and discuss follow-up actions to COP 24, in collaboration with partners, focusing on key issues for the ACP Group of States, including specificities for Small Island Developing States, Least Developed Countries and Land-locked Countries.

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The objectives are:

- building on the ACP Report *“Climate Ambitions: An analysis of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in ACP countries,”* explore means and ways to support ACP Countries in the updates of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) expected for 2020;
- in collaboration with regional and other partners, coordinate an event during the United Nations General Secretary’s Climate Summit and the 74 General Assembly Debate in September 2019;
- identify other potential international and regional opportunities of relevance for the ACP Group to collaborate on ensuring that issues of importance to the Group are brought to the fore and addressed, leading to COP 25 in Chile.

Organization

The meeting will be partly guided by two documents: an ACP Assessment Paper on the outcomes of COP 24 and a document with suggestions on a possible role for the ACP Group towards COP 25. Participants will include representatives of: ACP Countries in Brussels, regional partner organizations, European Commission, climate negotiators, South Centre, United Nations, other institutions, international organizations and civil society organizations.