

Environmental Integrity Group (Liechtenstein, Mexico, Monaco, Republic of Korea and Switzerland)

**Implementation of all the elements of decision 1/CP.17, (b)
Matters related to paragraphs 7 and 8
(ADP Workstream 2)**

The Environmental Integrity Group (EIG) is pleased to submit its views on the “actions, initiatives and options to enhance ambition, including through the workplan on enhancing mitigation ambition, with a particular focus on 2013, including aspects indicated in paragraph 31 of the ADP conclusions contained in document FCCC/ADP/2012/3 and on further activities for its plan of work in 2014. (ADP Workstream 2).

Situation

1. Earlier this year, four EIG member countries – Liechtenstein, Mexico, Monaco and Switzerland - made proposals on how to address raising the level of mitigation ambition under the ADP work stream 2 (cf. their submission in <<http://unfccc.int/bodies/awg/items/7398.php>>).
2. Since then, the discussions and the exchange of views and information among Parties and stakeholders at the June session of the ADP have confirmed that the potential is available for substantial mitigation actions in line with the 2 degrees target (cf. the Technical Paper prepared by the Secretariat UNFCCC/TP/2013/4).
3. With a view to making a step forward in raising the level of ambition, we propose that COP 19 adopts a decision containing the elements listed below.

Elements of a COP 19 decision on Workstream 2

4. It has to be recalled that anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions continue to increase worldwide, contributing to climate change which constitutes a threat to humankind and to the environment as a whole. Therefore there is an urgent need to raise the level of mitigation ambition pre-2020.
5. It has also to be recalled that mitigation can be facilitated taking into account the appropriate context and the necessary synergies with adaptation to climate change (cf. paragraphs 31 (a)-(c) of the ADP 1 part 2 conclusions, document FCCC/ADP/2012/3).
6. All Parties point out that there is mitigation potential that may allow to further reduce/avoid emissions in all sectors and in all countries, in line with the 2 degrees target.
7. In order to realize the mitigation potential in all sectors and all countries, the COP 19 decides to adopt a programme of work consisting of the following elements:
 - Promoting technical discussions at expert level on actions, initiatives and options under the SBSTA, supported by submissions and in-session workshops. This approach could already be started at COP 19 and be continued during 2014.
 - A high-level political dialogue between Parties to guide consideration on options and ways to increase global ambition, taking into account CBDR/RC and equity. This dialogue could already be started at COP 19 and be continued at COP 20.

8. The above-mentioned technical discussions should consider:
 - Action-oriented complementary initiatives.
 - Technical measures (e.g. in the energy sector).
 - Policy measures (e.g. economy-wide or sectoral reduction objectives; enabling environments for climate friendly investment; fossil fuel subsidies removal).
 - Strengthening of environmentally integer market mechanisms (e.g. international carbon market mechanisms), without duplication of the work under other agenda items.
 - International cooperation (e.g. technology transfer).
 - Combination of the above.
9. The COP 19 encourages Parties to:
 - Present pledges for those countries that have not yet submitted a pledge.
 - Clarify pledges for those countries that have already submitted a pledge.
 - Implement effectively their current pledges in a transparent and environmentally integer manner (addressing the current implementation gap and reducing the emission gap).
 - Adopt the highest possible mitigation efforts.
 - Over-deliver on existing pledges.
 - Engage in complementary activities such as in international cooperative initiatives that contribute to emission reductions additional to those reflected in the current pledges.
 - Avoid lock-in of carbon intensive investments, infrastructure and technology.
 - Address domestic drivers of ambition in the context of opportunities to develop and to grow.
 - Strengthen the focused and integrated support – systematic combination of policy/strategy, finance, relevant technology and capacity - for mitigation actions by developing countries.
10. The COP 19 encourages Parties to cooperate with relevant international organisations and the private sector to implement the above-mentioned activities.
11. The COP 19 requests the SBSTA to compile and make available to Parties in the most appropriate manner (e.g. in the UNFCCC web site) information on mitigation benefits of actions, initiatives and options to enhance mitigation ambition, drawing on the submissions from Parties as is the case in the technical paper FCCC/TP/2013/4.
12. The COP 19 decides to take into account the ongoing work under the Convention's process related to the implementation of all the elements of decision 1/CP.17, (b) Matters related to paragraphs 7 and 8, in view to benefit from synergies and avoid redundancies and duplication of efforts.
13. The COP 19 requests the SBSTA to report to the COP 20 in 2014 on these matters.
14. The COP 19 decides to further consider these matters at COP 20 in 2014.