



## Climate Action Network

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Deadly, record-breaking heat waves, fires and floods have afflicted much of the world since the last session in May.

Urgent progress is needed in Bangkok to finalize robust implementation guidelines at COP 24.

We encourage you to use the Co-Chairs tools to deliver a negotiations text for Katowice covering all Paris Agreement Work Program items, reflecting clear and streamlined options, with sufficient detail for the outcome of the session to be swiftly turned into a draft decision text by the Co-Chairs.

In Katowice, a robust rulebook must be accompanied by a successful Talanoa Dialogue. We need countries to tip the scales towards higher ambition and commit to a process to revise and enhance their climate targets by 2020. Support is a crucial part of creating the conditions for a concerted and coordinated global effort to improve NDCs and avoid condemning the planet to a climatic disaster.

We, therefore, encourage the COP presidencies to update and consult parties and observers alike on plans for the high-level segment of the Talanoa Dialogue in Katowice and we encourage parties to lay the basis for robust finance decisions in Katowice to make finance predictable and well accounted for.

Overall, the pace of negotiations must accelerate dramatically to achieve the envisioned outcome at COP 24, we call upon the incoming COP presidency to demonstrate clear leadership and provide guidance on compromises to substantially advance the discussion here in Bangkok and enable the progress needed between now and Katowice.