2018 marks a defining moment in the fight against climate change. This must be the year in which countries agree to a robust set of implementation guidelines, urgently ramp up support to vulnerable countries and ensure that the Talanoa Dialogue’s outcomes lead to commitments to enhance current NDCs by 2020.

Paris set an ambitious framework which must be translated into a set of balanced, operational guidelines turning a monumental political agreement into actionable results.

Agreement on five-year common timeframes would avoid locking in low levels of ambition, allowing greater synchronicity with other aspects of the Paris regime. A robust transparency framework, demonstrated progress on support and rules for accounting would enable Parties to move forward in a spirit of trust and collaboration.

With careful consideration of science and equity, and open and inclusive sources of input, the Global Stocktake should develop strong modalities so that its outcome can bring our collective ambition in line with the Paris vision.

We call on Parties to ensure you leave Bonn with a set of clear options for a negotiating text, leading to a robust, ambitious and clear set of implementation guidelines by the end of COP 24. This is essential to achieve the Paris Agreement’s objectives.

As representatives of civil society from around the world, we are counting on you.