

Climate Action Network

CAN Statement: Open-Ended Informal Consultations on the Facilitative Dialogue 2018

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Dear Excellencies, my name is Christian Holz and I'm speaking on behalf of Climate Action Network.

For us, the Facilitative Dialogue in 2018 has four key aspects.

First, it is an opportunity for Parties to look at their NDCs again. Many NDCs were crafted in a hurry and there may be multiple ways to enhance the ambition of the NDCs.

Second, it allows states to capture the momentum built by non-state actors. The design of the FD2018 must ensure strong linkages to planned events and activities of non-state actors. For example, through submissions, a dedicated series of side-events, and workshop slots.

Third, it should analyze kind and level of MOI implied by the NDCs. For example, by looking at what is needed to implement the conditional actions put forward, and how to meet those needs, including further opportunities for international cooperation.

Finally, it's critical to ensure that the IPCC's Special Report on 1.5 can feed most effectively into the FD2018, including building on the experience of the Structured Expert Dialogue. A dedicated session on the report should be organized at the beginning of COP24.

These aspects need to be addressed in the FD2018 to support the enhancement of NDCs by 2020 in an equitable manner.

The design should be finalized by the end of COP23 for a prompt start in 2018. The COP23 decision could welcome the report by the COP Presidencies and ask both incoming and present Presidencies to conduct the dialogue based on the design outlined in the report, with the Secretariat's support.

Thank you.