



Climate Action Network

SBI 47 Opening Intervention

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Climate Action Network International (CAN) is the world's largest network of civil society organizations working together to promote government action to address the climate crisis, with more than 1100 members in over 120 countries. www.climatenetwork.org

I am A.G. Saño from the Philippines speaking on behalf of Climate Action Network.

You might remember an emotional Philippine negotiator speaking at COP 19 in Warsaw about Typhoon Haiyan and his despair for his own brother at ground zero. I'm that brother. I speak on behalf of people who have suffered, and will continue to suffer, because of climate change.

At this first Pacific COP, CAN believes that COP 23 must enable the WIM to fully implement its mandate towards the most vulnerable by ensuring it has adequate resources, including by launching a two-year process to develop a range of instruments to generate additional finance.

CAN also calls on SBI to engage seriously with Agenda Item 18 to strengthen civil society participation in all decision-making processes. Better engagement delivers better policy-making outcomes, effective and sustainable implementation, and robust accountability.

On Wednesday, we will commemorate Typhoon Haiyan's anniversary by honoring the loved ones we've lost and celebrate our second lease of life. We refuse to be sacrificed to a warming climate. Make this conference everyone's second lease of life.

Thank you.