

EVENING EVENT

TRANSLATING THE PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT INTO ACTION: ENGAGING THE PRIVATE SECTOR

23 MAY 2016 | 17:30 – 21:00 | BUNDESKUNSTHALLE, BONN | GERMANY

In December 2015, the Paris Climate Agreement was adopted by 195 countries, pledging to take action to keep global warming below 2 degrees Celsius. The ambition set by the agreement has to be translated into real world actions and achievements. Putting the agreement into practice by implementing the NDCs (Nationally Determined Contributions) will require significant climate-smart investments and innovations from the private sector. The business and the financial sectors will play a crucial role when turning national climate commitments into practice. But it will need strong policy signals from governments, removal of regulatory barriers and the creation of stable investment environments in which private climate investments will thrive.

During the evening event, participants will discuss the relevance of the countries' previously announced INDCs for the private sector. **Senior public and private sector representatives and climate negotiators** from partner countries of German development cooperation as well as from Europe will:

- **Explore implications and opportunities of the Paris Climate Agreement for the private sector**, particularly with regards to the implementation of Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs);
- Be introduced to **examples of smart public incentive schemes, regulatory frameworks and innovative financial mechanisms** that have the potential to create new business opportunities and encourage more private climate-smart investments;
- Discuss **how the corporate and the financial sector can benefit** from the implementation of a country's INDC and how to successfully **integrate the different sectors** in the INDCs implementation process.

AGENDA

Facilitator: **Barbara Buchner**, Executive Director, Climate Finance – Climate Policy Initiative

17:30 – 18:00	Registration of participants, coffee & tea
18:00 – 18:10	Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Philipp Knill, Head of Division, Special Unit on Climate Change, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany
	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Barbara Buchner, Executive Director, Climate Finance – Climate Policy Initiative
	Interactive panel debate <p>Panelists explore implications and opportunities of the Paris Climate Agreement for the private sector, particularly with regards to the implementation of INDCs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Martin Hiller, Director General, REEEP – Investing in Clean Energy Markets• Katharina Klein, Senior Advisor, Strategy and Politics Department, German Association of Energy and Water Industries (BDEW)• Yono Reksoprodjo, Vice President of Corporate Affairs, Sintesa Group & CEO PT. Sintesa Banten Geothermal, Indonesia• Alexander Voigt, CEO, GRIPS Energy AG, Germany
18:10 – 19:30	Practitioners perspectives <p>Practitioners introduce examples of smart public incentive schemes, regulatory frameworks and innovative financial mechanisms that have the potential to encourage more private climate-smart investment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Belynda Petrie, CEO, OneWorld, South Africa• Rafaelita Aldaba, Assistant Secretary of Industry Development & Trade Policy Group, Department of Trade & Industry, Philippines• K.S. Venkatagiri, Executive Director Designate, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), India
19:30 – 19:50	Ideas for solutions – discussion with the audience
19:50 – 20:00	Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peter Craig McQuaide, Head of Unit, International Cooperation and Development DEVCO/C/6 – Sustainable Energy and Climate Change, European Commission
20:00 – 21:00	Networking reception on the roof terrace of the Bundeskunsthalle
