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High-Level Dialogue on the economic opportunities of net zero transitions and implementing the COP28 outcomes

Co-organised by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the International Energy Agency (IEA)

15 November, 15:00 to 16:30 (GMT+4)

Special Event Room 1 - Buta in the COP29 Blue Zone, Baku, Azerbaijan.

Draft Agenda

15:00-15:05	Moderator <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Dan Dorner, Head of Strategic Initiatives, International Energy Agency
15:05-15:10	Welcome and opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Noura Hamladji, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
15:10-15:20	Setting the Scene: <ul style="list-style-type: none">IEA Presentation: Mr. Thomas Spencer, Power Sector Modeller, International Energy Agency
15:20-15:55	High-level panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Rachel Kyte, Special Representative on Climate, United KingdomMs. Ana Toni, Secretary for Climate Change, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change of BrazilMr. Ambroise Fayolle, Vice-President of the European Investment Bank (EIB)Ms. Maria Mendiluce, CEO, We Mean Business
15:55-16:00	Youth Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Yuhang Zheng, IEEE Young Professional Interim Chair at Climate and Sustainability Task Force & Program Director and SDG7 Youth Constituency Focal Points for Asia Pacific Region
16:00-16:25	Q&A
16:25-16:30	Closing statement <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Fatih Birol, Executive Director, International Energy Agency



Event Details

- This event will highlight the importance and benefits of implementing the COP28 energy goals, how NDCs are a critical tool to translate these global goals into national policies, and how NDCs can further help deliver economic benefits as well as emissions reductions by guiding investment for countries' clean energy transitions.
- The IEA will present key insights from its recent report, 'From Taking Stock to Taking Action: How to implement the COP28 energy goals', as well as its work assessing how to scale up clean energy investment especially in emerging market and developing economies and the UNFCCC-IEA COP28 energy outcomes tracker.
- This will be followed by a high-level panel discussion on scaling up ambition in the next round of NDCs, fostering dialogue on how countries can respond to COP28 calls in their next NDCs, and ensure these include economy-wide reduction targets for all sectors and GHGs, to help limit warming to 1.5°C and achieve global net zero emissions by 2050.
- The event will also highlight how NDCs can help to guide the investment needed to realise the COP28 energy goals in countries. Investors and private sector representatives will be also invited to offer their perspectives on what they seek in the next round of NDCs to invest in projects that will realise COP28 energy goals, promoting stronger alignment between public and private finance to accelerate clean energy investments.

Discussion Questions

- What is your country/organisation aiming for at COP29 to help deliver full and timely implementation of the COP28 energy goals, including regarding new nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and national actions?
- How can countries best elaborate their next NDCs to respond to COP28 energy goals?
- What key elements do investors and private sector stakeholders look for in NDCs to make informed decisions about investing in clean energy projects?