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MANILA, Philippines — President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. on Thursday said he wants closer and sustained climate change cooperation with Germany.

Marcos accepted the credentials of the new German Ambassador Andreas Michael Pfaffernoschke in Malacañang, where the two spoke about the two countries' relations.

"I always describe it as really the first truly global problem that humanity faces because it's global in the sense that everybody is affected. And it's also global because we cannot solve it without everybody doing their part," Marcos said.

"It is axiomatic to me to say that no country can do this alone. The economy, climate change, energy, all of these things have to be done in partnership. So, let's look in that direction Mr. Ambassador," he added.

Germany and the Philippines had previously signed an agreement to continue consultations between the two governments' environment agencies.

"There are many things that I think we can do. I hope few of them would come to fruition so that we can say that we have done the fullest that we can do in this partnership," Marcos told the German envoy.

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