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Governance Platform

Climate Transparency
or
***How to stimulate a race to the top in climate
protection***

Technical Working Group Meeting
17 – 18 March 2015
The World Bank, Washington, DC

Agenda



Tuesday – March 17, 2015

Conference Room: MC C1 – 100, 1818 H Street NW

09:00 – 09:15 **A round of introductions**

09:15 – 09:45 **01 Welcome and Opening remarks: The role of climate indices**

Christian Grossmann, Climate Change Group, The World Bank

Alvaro Umaña, former Environment Minister of Costa Rica

Peter Eigen, founder of Transparency International, Humboldt-Viadrina Governance Platform

09:45 – 10:30 **02 Strategy for the Climate Transparency**

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 – 12:30 **03 Understanding the differences of Climate Action Indices I**

In this session Jan Burck from The Climate Change Performance Index, Niklas Höhne from Climate Action Tracker, Jason Schwartz from the Yale Environmental Performance Index and Surabi Menon from the Carbon Transparency Initiative will analyse the reasons for the different results for South Korea, US and India and explore, what lessons can be drawn from the case studies.

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 – 15:00 **03 Understanding the differences of Climate indices II**

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*

15:30 – 17:00 **04 Achieving more impact on governments through indices**

This session will explore, how climate action indices can have a stronger impact on governments. For that end Wang Ke, Andrei Marcu and Emilio La Rovere will provide inputs, how governments are (or are not) influenced by indices in different countries.

The session will further investigate, how well existing indices reach out to G20 countries.

17:00 – 17:30 **Summary of the first day and adaptation of agenda**



19:00 – 22:00 *Joint dinner at El Chalan Restaurant*

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Wednesday – March 18, 2015

Conferenc Room I2 – 210, 1850 I Street NW

09:00 – 10:30 **05 Going beyond mitigation: Adaptation and finance**

Indices such as Climate Action Tracker and Climate Change Performance Index contribute to the monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) of mitigation efforts. A comprehensive response to climate change involves more than just mitigation policy. Adaptation, and finance (for both mitigation and adaptation) are other crucial elements with their own assessment regimes. This raises the question of how, and how much, the assessments of mitigation, adaptation and finance can or should be linked and used, either for technical-, political- or other purposes.

This session provides an overview of assessment methods for adaptation and finance. It will then ask whether and how they could and should be combined with assessments of mitigation efforts. And we will explore whether one should embark on developing a composite index and whether that would be possible to do before the Paris 2015 summit.

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 – 12:30 **06 Improving quality through closer co-operation**

This session will present the common conceptual framework which the OECD has developed for sustainability indices.

The workshop will then discuss, whether and how such a common conceptual framework should be developed for climate related indices. The World Bank might be able and willing to facilitate such a workstream.

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch break*

13:30 – 14:30 **07 Equity, integrity and efficiency**

A solution to the climate challenge in general and a global climate treaty in particular should have environmental integrity (ensuring reaching the 2⁰ target), economic efficiency (be achieved with the least cost and highest side benefits) and represent social equity. It is not a given that a climate index would have to cover all three elements. This session will feature a



debate between Bill Hare, Billy Pizer and Pankaj Bhatia, who each will make the case what elements should be covered, why and how. This panel discussion will be followed by a plenary discussion.

14:30 – 15:00 Coffee break

15:00 – 16:00 08 Summary, evaluation



List of Participants

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9	Dallas Burtraw	Resources for the Future
10	David Rich	World Resources Institute
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13	Jason Schwartz	Yale University
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