PARLIAMENTARY MEETING ON THE OCCASION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE
Durban (South Africa), 5 December 2011
Organized jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa

PROGRAMME

08:30 - 18:00  Registration of participants
10:00 - 10:30  Inaugural session
   • Dr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, Honorary President of the IPU, Speaker of the National Assembly of Namibia
   • Mr. Max Vuyisile Sisulu, Speaker of the National Assembly of South Africa
   • Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, UN Under-Secretary-General
   • Mr. Agostinho Zacarias, UNDP Resident Coordinator in South Africa
10:30 - 11:15  Keynote presentation
   Feeling the heat: Fast-track and long-term finance pledges
   • Ms. Veerle Vandeweerd, Director for Energy and Environment, UNDP
11:15 - 13:00  Interactive panel discussion
   Creating a virtuous push and pull cycle for low carbon and renewable energy projects
   Panellists
   • Sir John Prescott (United Kingdom), Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
   • Mr. Augustin Iyamuremye (Rwanda), member of Pan-African Parliament
   • Mr. Abdul Waheed Patel, Managing Director, Ethicore (South Africa)
13:00 - 14:30  Lunch
14:30 - 15:15  Briefing session
   Operationalization of the Cancún Agreements: Progress report on COP17/CMP7 negotiations
   • Ms. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Minister of Home Affairs of South Africa
15:15 - 17:30  Interactive panel discussion
   Concerted action on climate mitigation and adaptation: The case for national legislators and local authorities
   Panellists
   • Mr. Saber Chowdhury, MP (Bangladesh), Chairman of All-Party Group on Climate Change and Environment
   • Mr. Gino van Begin, Deputy Secretary General and Regional Director for Europe, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
• Senator Ronan Dantec (France)

17:30 - 18:00  
Closing session  
Adoption of the draft outcome document  
Rapporteur  
• Mr. Cedric Thomas Frolick, MP, House Chairperson of the National Assembly of South Africa

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18:00  
Cocktail reception courtesy of UNDP