Media Advisory

Africa Day: Moving from Commitment to Action with NDCs in Africa

What: The Africa Day at COP22 will be commemorated on Wednesday, 16 November, 2016 at the Africa Pavilion and UNFCCC side event. The day provides a platform that brings together African leaders and policymakers into a dialogue to chart a course regarding the implementation of the Paris Agreement. Africa Day will therefore serve as an opportunity for the continent to discuss and showcase how it plans to sensitize, advocate for the ratification and roll out the implementation of the Paris Agreement. In addition, it will present a platform for supporting and coordinating the African initiatives for the implementation of the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).

Where: Africa Pavilion (Area D) and UNFCCC Area E, Blue Zone, COP22 village, Bab Ighli, Marrakesh

When: Wednesday, 16 November 2016, 09:30 – 16:00

Who:

♦ H.E. Idriss Deby Itno, President of the Republic of Chad and Chair of the African Union
♦ H.E. Abdel Fattah al-Sissi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt and Coordinator, Committee of African Heads of State and Government on Climate Change (CAHOSCC)
♦ H.E. Muhammadu Buhari, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
♦ H.E. Professor Alpha Conde, President of the Republic of Guinea and Africa Union Coordinator on Renewable Energy for the African continent

Moderator
Mrs. Tumusiime Rhoda Peace, AU Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture (Moderator)

Why: The main objective of the Africa Day is to provide opportunity to critically examine the implementation implications of the Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) submitted by African countries as part of the Paris Agreement, as well as the African Renewable Energy Initiative (AREI), and their implications for Africa’s development. More specifically, the Africa Day seeks to achieve the following objectives:

• Emphasize Africa’s priorities for the means of implementation of the INDCs in the context of the Paris Agreement;
• Review the implications and prospects for the implementation of the INDCs for Africa, including associated challenges and opportunities;
• Discuss the alignment of the INDCs with national development strategies that are inclusive and aligned to climate-resilient and low carbon transition;
• Have an open conversation
• Discuss the rollout of the African Renewable Energy Initiative

The media is invited to cover the Africa Day on Wednesday, 16 November 2016, 09:30 – 16:00 at the Africa Pavilion (Area D) and UNFCCC Area E, Blue Zone, COP22 village, Bab Ighli, Marrakesh.

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