

CLOSING THE CLIMATE GAPS IN GENEVA



WWF believes the following areas must be addressed at the UNFCCC meetings in Geneva in February 2015 to make a meaningful contribution to closing the gap between the current level of action and that which is required to keep global warming at a bearable level.

THE POST-2020 GAP

- In Geneva, Parties need to work on the list of elements for the 2015 agreement that was agreed in Lima by identifying core issues, consolidating options and moving towards the more stringent, more ambitious side of the spectrum in line with an emissions reduction trajectory with a high likelihood of keeping aggregate global warming below 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.
 - Party blocs should make constructive text-based proposals that can be used to further consolidate and develop, where necessary, the bullets that are currently listed.
 - Options related to legal nature of the agreement and its contents have to be clarified as early as possible so that Parties can at least start considering them.
 - Parties should provide clear indications on when they will submit their INDCs - by March for developed countries, as well as developing countries with similar responsibility and capability; and end May 2015 for all others.
 - Parties to indicate that they will submit comprehensive INDCs covering mitigation including the land sector, finance, adaptation, as well as an explanation of how these pledges are fair and under which conditions they would be able to increase the ambition levels in their INDCs.
 - Parties need to provide greater clarity on how greater finance and other support can lead to greater mitigation and adaptation ambition and contribute to meeting climate objectives.
- Parties to reiterate and demonstrate their commitment to keep the issue of closing the pre-2020 gap as a priority during 2015.
 - Parties must agree on a process to get us to an action-orientated outcome in Paris that can help close the pre-2020 gap.
 - Parties must agree to explore multi-stakeholder collaborative actions in the areas of renewable energy, energy efficiency and cities as the priority areas for implementation of substantial concrete actions and programs in the very near term.
 - Parties must make progress on establishing linkages to the finance and technology mechanisms in order to close the emissions gap.
 - Parties must promote mitigation actions in the forest and land use sectors, including through REDD+, to help close the gigatonne gap before 2020.



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