

# *Engaging with Africa on Climate Change*

*European Climate Diplomacy*

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## PROGRAMME

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08.30 hrs **Welcome coffee**

09.00 hrs **Opening Remarks**

**EEAS – Nicholas Westcott, Managing Director for Africa / European Commission, Directorate General for Climate Action: Jos Delbeke - Director General**

09.45 hrs **SESSION 1: RESPONDING TO NEW POLICY REALITIES**

**Chairs: EEAS – Nicholas Westcott, Managing Director for Africa / European Commission Directorate-General for Climate Action – Artur Runge-Metzger**

**Evolving geopolitical landscape – the dynamic relationship between the EU and Africa – Introduction Nicholas Westcott**

*The session provides an opportunity for reflection on the global issues which condition the EU-Africa relationship, in the context of climate governance, multilateralism and triangular dynamics*

Theme 1: Africa's influence and role in the international negotiations - The Foreign policy relevance of the African COP 2011;

- Tosi Mpanu Mpanu, Democratic Republic of Congo, Chair of the Africa Group in the UNFCCC
- Jürgen Lefevere, Senior advisor on International climate negotiations and strategy, DG CLIMA, European Commission

Theme 2: Triangular dynamics - The nature and dynamics of Africa in the G77Africa, BASIC, BRICS. China's role in Africa

- Nick Mabey, CEO & Founding Director, E3G

"Roundtable discussion"

12.30 hrs **Lunch-Bufferet at the conference center**

14.00 hrs **SESSION 2: FROM NEEDS TO DEEDS**

**Chairs: Artur Runge-Metzger and Manuel Lopez Blanco, Director EEAS**

**Opportunities for Climate Cooperation with Africa – Introduction Artur Runge-Metzger**

*This session will reflect on the thematic issues which impact on the EU-Africa relationship and climate action and how these in turn are translated into a response. The thematic issues will include: Agriculture, Forestry and Land-use; Water; Disaster Preparedness; Security; and Financing.*

Theme 3: Natural Resource Management: Land-Use, Forestry and Water challenges.

- Joachim von Braun, Professor Department of Economic and Technological Change, University of Bonn
- Laurence Tubiana, Director, Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI), France

Theme 4: Securing Sustainable Energy access; lifting the African continent out of poverty.

- Laura Cozzi, Senior Energy Analyst at the office of the Chief Economist, International Energy Agency
- Jean-Paul Joulia, Director (ff), Sustainable Growth and Development, DG DEVCO

"Roundtable discussion"

15.15 hrs **Coffee**

Theme 5: Climate Change and Security - the link between DRR and Migration

- Rehana Dada, Science and environmental journalist, South Africa
- Elina Bardram, Deputy Head of Unit, DG CLIMA, European Commission

Theme 6: Innovative Sources of Financing – filling the gap

- Peter Betts, Director of International Climate Change at the Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC), UK
- Hussein Alfa Nafou, Agence de l'Environnement et du Développement Durable, Chef de la Section Partenariat et Mobilisation des ressources financières

"Roundtable discussion"

17.30 hrs **CONCLUSIONS OF THE ROUNDTABLE**

**Chairs: Nicholas Westcott / Artur Runge-Metzger**

**Follow-up and Next steps: The African COP and beyond.**

18.30 hrs **Cocktail reception**