



**MEASURES TO ENHANCE THE REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE CDM:
CURRENT STATUS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS**

(Thursday 29th November, 1315-14.45, Side Event Room 7)

Background:

The Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) was established by the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, with the purpose of assisting developed countries to achieve their emission limitation targets in a flexible and least cost manner while supporting the sustainable development of developing countries. Since its inception the CDM has evolved through the direction provided by the CDM Executive Board and under the guidance of Parties to the Protocol, however a consistent concern of Parties which has proved most difficult to address is the lack of equity in the regional distribution of project activities. This side event will provide a status update on initiatives that are being implemented to address this issue and provide an opportunity for interactions with Parties and observers on means for enhanced implementation.

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Introduction, Mr. John Kilani, Director, UNFCCC
2. Overview of UNFCCC supported initiatives, Mr. Conor Barry, Programme Officer, UNFCCC
3. Implementation of the CDM Loan Scheme, Mr. John Christiansen, UNEP-Risoe
4. Status update on the CDM Regional Collaboration Centres
 - a. Overview of the CDM (Mr. Conor Barry, UNFCCC)
 - b. Expectations pour la premiere CRC: Lome, Togo (Mr. Yacoubou Bio-Sawe, BOAD)
5. Question and Answers