





Side event organised by the International Climate Initiative (ICI) of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU) and the EU-UNDP Climate Change Capacity Building Programme

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Low Carbon Development Strategies: Experiences from the ICI and the EU-UNDP Programme

## **Draft Programme**

The Cancún Agreements call for a paradigm shift towards a low-carbon society and provide a key opportunity for parties to more effectively address climate change in the context of national development priorities. The ICI and the EU-UNDP Programme contribute to capacity building efforts to support the preparation and implementation of low carbon development strategies (LCDS), one element of the Cancún Agreements relevant to all states. LCDS represent a crucial instrument for the design and implementation of mitigation measures.

The side event seeks to facilitate an exchange of experiences from 3 countries on their approaches in designing LCDS including Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) and Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) of mitigation measures as well as on first lessons learned.

Time: Friday, 10 June 2011, 1:15 - 2:45 pm

**Location**: SOLAR

Moderator: Norbert Gorißen, Head of Division International Climate Finance,

International Climate Initiative, BMU

## **Guiding questions:**

- 1. What are your country's views on LCDS as a framework to make climate action and economic growth go hand in hand (including some key messages to other parties)?
- 2. In your country, what has been the process of developing a LCDS, including contributions from ICI-financed projects or the EU-UNDP programme, and what are national stakeholders' perceptions?
- 3. What are challenges your country faces in moving ahead, i.e. making its LCDS work?







## Agenda

Time	Theme	Speaker
1. Introduction		
1:15 pm	1. Context for LCDS  Implementing Cancún Agreements  What are LCDS?  Linkages between LCDS, NAMAs, MRV / MRV Partnership  2. Brief overview on the two	Karsten Sach, Deputy Director General for International Cooperation, BMU
	initiatives	
	- International Climate Initiative	Norbert Gorißen, BMU
	- EU-UNDP Climate Change Capacity Building Programme	Stefan Agne, DG Climate Action, European Commission
2. Country Experiences and Lessons Learned		
1:30 pm	Colombia – EU-UNDP	Andrea García Guerrero, Director, Climate Change Mitigation Group, Ministry of Environment, Housing, and Territorial Development, Colombia
	Dominican Republic – ICI / Coalition of Rainforest Nations: Fast-track development of a transformative climate-compatible development plan	Omar Ramirez, Secretary of State, Executive Vice President, National Council for Climate Change and Clean Development Mechanism, Dominican Republic
	Morocco – EU-UNDP	M. Mohammed N'Bou, Director of Studies, Strategic Planning, Department of Environment, Morocco
3. Panel Discussion		
2:00 pm	Reflections from the Discussant on the country presentations	Harald Winkler, University of Cape Town
	Panel Discussion	Facilitator: Yamil Bonduki, Technical Advisor Climate Change, UNDP
	Concluding remarks	Norbert Gorißen, BMU