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MESSAGE TO PARTIES

Submission of information and views – New UNFCCC portal

The secretariat is pleased to announce the launch of a new submission portal. The new portal will enhance user-friendliness, efficiency and transparency by providing a “one-stop shop” allowing for:

- Easy and swift submission of information and views;
- Making submissions available in a clearly structured format;
- Enhanced search by bodies, sessions, years and themes.

Deployment of the new portal will be undertaken in phases to progressively replace the submission pages previously available on the UNFCCC web site and ensure a smooth transition.

The first phase now launched only concerns those submissions that will be considered by the Conference of the Parties (COP), the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP), the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI). Parties were notified of the calls for submissions under these bodies in a message from the secretariat of 13 December 2013. These calls are now reflected in the new submission portal and can be accessed through the link <unfccc.int/5900>.

Under the first deployment phase, submissions that are being considered by the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action (ADP) will continue to be presented on the traditional submission page accessible at <unfccc.int/7398> following the traditional process, i.e. Parties send their submissions by email to secretariat@unfccc.int. The submissions to the ADP will be included in the new portal under the second deployment phase prior to the October session of the ADP.

The submission portal is a public site. However, for Parties to be able to upload submissions, access rights are required. Parties can obtain them by having their National Focal Point contact submission-info@unfccc.int. For more information on access rights or other matters related to the launch of this new submission portal, please also contact submission-info@unfccc.int.

Please visit and explore the features of the new portal.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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