

Well below 2°C – concrete implementation post-Paris

Briefing ahead of COP 22, Federal Foreign Office, 27 September 2016

Everyone is talking about the “historic success” of COP 21. However, the Paris Agreement will only go down in history if it actually sets the necessary transformation in motion. State and non-state stakeholders must now define concrete steps for implementation. For countries, this means they do not only need to implement their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), but also to further them. However, the voluntary commitments are not enough to achieve the joint goal of limiting global warming to well below 2°C. The priority must be to constantly increase the national contributions, while simultaneously drawing up long-term minimisation strategies in order to achieve a greenhouse-gas-neutral world in the second half of the century.

“Action and implementation” is the motto of the 22nd global climate conference (Conference of the Parties – COP) in Marrakech. The Moroccan COP Presidency is thus focusing on the implementation of the Paris Agreement. At the same time, climate protection must be closely linked to development. The global transformation to a greenhouse-gas-neutral and climate-resilient society can only be achieved if all of us implement the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Federal Foreign Office, the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety and the German Climate Consortium cordially invite you to the briefing ahead of this year’s UN climate conference. During this briefing, policymakers and academics will highlight the current challenges and long-term goals of global transformation, and the German negotiating delegation and a representative of the Moroccan COP Presidency will inform you about the forthcoming COP 22 in Marrakech.

The conference will be held in German with simultaneous interpretation into English.



Programme

7.30 am **Registration**, Welcome coffee

Chaired by: **Thomas Meister**, Head of Division, International Climate and Environmental Policy, Sustainable Economy, Federal Foreign Office

8.30 a.m. **Welcome: The Paris Agreement – who will have to do what?**
Professor Maria Böhmer, Minister of State, Federal Foreign Office

8.40 a.m. **Implementing the Paris Agreement and Expectations for COP22**
Rita Schwarzelühr-Sutter, Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety

8.50 a.m. **Action and implementation: looking ahead to the climate talks in Marrakech**
H.E. Dr Omar Zniber, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco

9.00 a.m. **Concrete development policy initiatives for implementing the Paris Agreement**
Ingrid Hoven, Director-General for Global Issues, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development

9.10 a.m. **Shaping transformation – ideas from climate research**
Dr Karl-Eugen Huthmacher, Director-General for Provision for the Future – Basic and Sustainability Research, Federal Ministry of Education and Research

9.20 a.m. Questions and discussion

9.50 a.m. Coffee break

10.30 a.m. Short film „A Climate System under Stress: Ocean Acidification“
Professor Ulf Riebesell, GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel – a clip from the Online-Course „Climate Change and its impacts“

10.35 a.m. Keynote speech:
Post-Paris sustainability: development for everyone
Professor Dirk Messner, Director of the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) and Chairperson of the German Advisory Council on Global Change (WBGU)

10.55 a.m. **Starting the transformation process – what inputs do business and investors need now?**
Professor Gernot Klepper, Head of Department “Environment and Natural Resources”, Kiel Institute for the World Economy

11.05 a.m. **Climate protection in the city of Freiburg – a long journey of transformation**
Gerda Stuchlik, Environmental Mayor of Freiburg and member of the Environment Committee of the Association of German Cities

11.15 a.m. **Panel discussion: Action and implementation. What will make Marrakech a success?**
Nicole Wilke, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety, Head of Division, International Climate Policy
Ingrid Hoven, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
Professor Dirk Messner, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)
Professor Gernot Klepper, Kiel Institute for the World Economy / Institut für Weltwirtschaft
Gerda Stuchlik, Environmental Mayor of Freiburg and Association of German Cities / Deutscher Städtetag

Chaired by: Marie-Luise Beck, Managing Director, German Climate Consortium

12.30 – 1.30 p.m. Lunch

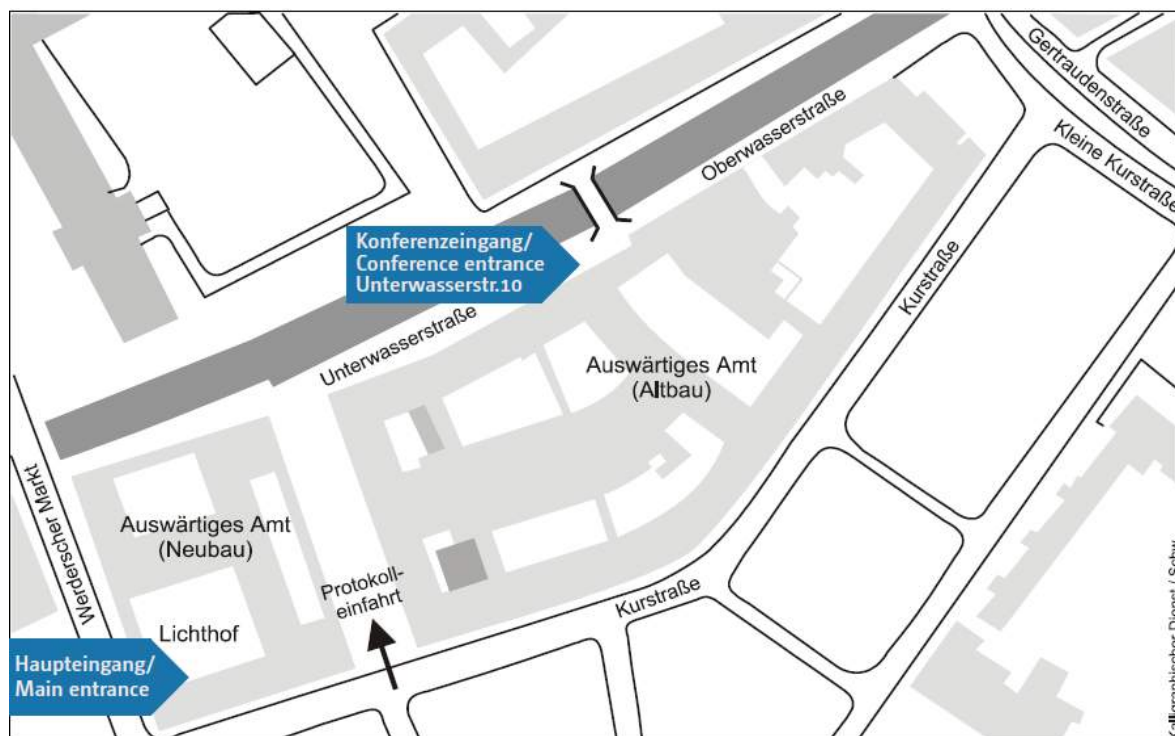
Registration

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Conference venue



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