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Panel for New Climate Change Regime

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At COP 21 in Paris, Parties to the UNFCCC reached a historic agreement to combat climate change and to accelerate and intensify the actions and investments needed for a sustainable low carbon future.

The Paris Agreement's central aim is to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius. Additionally, Paris Agreement aims to strengthen the ability of countries to deal with the impacts of climate change.

Being one of the countries that have signed the Paris Agreement, Turkey attaches great importance to combat with climate change and to exchange knowledge and experience in this field. Please kindly let me to share with you that, Turkey applied to host the Conference of the Parties to UNFCCC (COP26) to be held in 2020 in Antalya.

For that very reason, a high level international panel "New Climate Change Regime: From Paris to Antalya", will take place in JW Marriot Hotel in Ankara, on 11th of May, 2016. The Panel will be organized under the Capacity Development Project for Turkey on Monitoring, Reporting and Verification of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, which is implemented by the cooperation between The German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety and the Turkish Ministry of Environment and Urbanization in the scope of the International Climate Initiative implemented by GIZ.

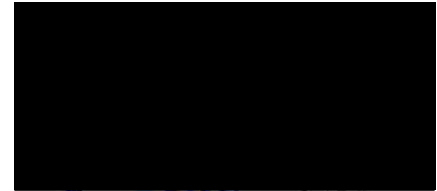
The Panel, will provide us an excellent opportunity to discuss on the reflections from the Paris Agreement and also on actions waiting for us for an effective implementation.

The target group of the event includes national authorities, academia, industrial business, international organisations, civil society organisations and others.

I have the honor to extend a cordial invitation to you as a keynote speaker for the high level session of the panel with a view of discussing possible ways of co-operation during new climate change regime and other matters that could be of concern.

Please note that we would be pleased to provide you and your colleagues with any assistance you might need during this process. Please find the draft programme for the Panel attached to this letter for your kind consideration.

Looking forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.



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