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Marrakech is First UN Climate Change Conference under Global Agreement

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USPA NEWS - "Marrakech will host the first meeting of the Paris Agreement's governing body, known as the CMA. This is a moment of celebration but also a moment of reflection on the task ahead and a point where governments recommit to the new agenda of rapid implementation" [?] Source UNFCCC

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It is the completed rulebook that will make the Paris Agreement work smoothly over the years and decades to come. The early entry into force of the Agreement calls for a speedy completion of the rulebook, ideally by 2018. Marrakech also gives developed countries the opportunity to present their roadmap to mobilize the pledged 100 billion dollars in annual support to developing countries by 2020. The Standing Committee on Finance will present its Biennial Assessment report, which provides a picture of climate finance flows for the period 2013-2014. It will do so at a side event on Monday, 7 November at 13:15-14:45.-----

Governments will also be looking to increase clarity for adaptation finance and for a mechanism to strengthen capacity building, which supports developing countries to build up their internal skills and institutional strengths to build their own clean energy, sustainable futures. Climate-friendly national policies are central to the successful delivery of the Paris goals. This is especially so because the Agreement's success rests on full implementation of the global set of national climate action plans. COP 22 will see initiatives that support the implementation of these so-called Nationally Determined Contributions <http://www4.unfccc.int/ndcregistry/Pages/Home.aspx> (NDCs) and help integrate them into each country's development agenda alongside the Sustainable Development Goals. The NDCs coupled with governments' publicly accepted responsibility to lead climate action under the Agreement, place an emphasis on how countries integrate climate action and implement sustainable development and risk management goals across sectors and ministries.-----

One event to support countries in this is the NDC Partnership. Launching on Tuesday, 15 November, the NDC Partnership <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/launch-of-the-ndc-partnership-at-cop22-tickets-28950974143> is a coalition of developing and developed countries and international institutions working together to ensure countries receive the technical and financial support they need to achieve climate and sustainable development goals as fast and effectively as possible.

Policy, incentives and regulation should all work in a concerted, coherent manner to enable every country to deliver their climate and sustainability contributions and, crucially, to increase exponentially the climate action by cities, states, companies, investors and citizens. For this reason, Marrakech will provide a Global Climate Action forum over the two weeks to showcase and hear new initiatives from the many public and private partnerships that are driving global climate action to unprecedented levels." source UNFCCC

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