



United Nations Climate Change
Global Climate Action

Call to step-up ambition for UNSG Summit Mitigation Strategy

Dear Friends,

Last week, the Government of Chile – which is leading the ‘Mitigation Strategy’ for the UN Secretary-General’s Climate Action Summit – issued a communique to rally ambition before governments meet in New York in September (<https://www.cop25.cl/web/en/chile-mitigacion-cumbre-climatica/> and <https://t.co/adeqyTAR6M?sr=true>).

In this task, Chile – which is also the incoming Presidency of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 25) in Santiago this December – is being supported by UNFCCC Executive Secretary Patricia Espinosa, and UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner. The objective is to mobilize actors from around the world to state how they keep the world from warming above 1.5 °C. This is what the latest science says is necessary to avoid the most catastrophic impacts of global warming and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

Minister Carolina Schmidt – in her role as Minister of Environment for Chile and President designate of COP 25 – is mobilizing actors that represent the groundswell determination to radically reduce greenhouse gas emissions, modernize our societies and prevent a climate catastrophe.

The Minister has asked me, as the High-Level Champion for Climate Action, to support her in this work by engaging with non-State actors, both ahead of the Summit and in the lead-up to COP 25.

The intention is to recognize actors who already are leading the way: those who have made a commitment and presented a plan to be carbon neutral by 2050. But we must also celebrate new actors who want to step-up their ambition in the next two critical months before the Summit.

On behalf of Chile and as its High-Level Champion for Climate Action, I am writing to you now to help us map the actors in your networks and coalitions – through the Marrakech Partnership – to unite behind this effort and, additionally, I am asking you to use these same channels to reach-out to potential members. I will proactively reach out to you – with support from the UNFCCC secretariat – to brief you in more detail on how we can work together to be as impactful as possible.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself and the secretariat staff copied in this message.

Yours sincerely,

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