Delivering on the Paris Promises

Reflections on COP-24 from a Human Rights perspective

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Expectations: Role COP 24
Recognizing the importance of human rights in climate policies by...

- Recognition of the need for more ambition in light of the IPCC Special Report on 1.5ºC and of the Talanoa Dialogue
- Incorporation of the Paris human rights-related principles in the Implementation Guidelines for the Paris Agreement
- Commitment to Indigenous Peoples and Traditional Knowledge as well as to Just Transition
- Full respect for civil & political rights during COP-24
Strong mobilization for human rights at COP-24

Context:
• Many formal and informal events and briefings focusing on Human Rights – involving civil society, states and UN agencies

• Celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration for Human Rights

Appraisal of the COP:
• Growing awareness of the importance of human rights for climate policies

• Disappointing outcomes in relation to climate ambition and to the integration of human rights
Conference of the Parties
Twenty-fourth session
Katowice, 2–14 December 2018

Agenda item 4
Preparations for the implementation of the Paris Agreement and the first session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement

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Paris Agreement Implementation Guidelines:

Planning and communication of future climate commitments
- ✔ Participatory nature of NDC planning
- ✔ Invitation to communicate how NDCs relate to other policy objectives

Planning and reporting of adaptation action
- ✔ Importance of participatory and gender responsive policies, taking into consideration indigenous peoples and traditional knowledge

Periodic review of collective ambition (Global Stocktake)
- ✔ Opportunity for an inclusive and transparent process

Market and non-market mechanisms (article 6)
- ✗ No decision yet
Review of key outcomes of the COP-24

Other workstreams

✔ Operationalization of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform

✔ Momentum building to consider adequately the importance of a just transition

Civil and Political Rights in the context of COP

✖ Unprecedented challenges faced by activists seeking to participate to the COP
Next Steps

• Planning of the next NDCs
  – Adequacy of mitigation ambition and support for 1.5ºC
    • Raise ambition during the UNSG Summit 2019
    – Ensuring that human rights inform NDC planning

• UNFCCC processes
  – Ensuring “No Harm” principle through robust social safeguards in relation to market mechanism (“article 6”)
  – Leveraging technical workstreams/bodies to promote policy coherence: Loss and Damage, Capacity Building, Agriculture, Gender, Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples

• Strengthening Institutional Capacity
  – Human Rights Focal Point at the UNFCCC
  – Enhancing institutional linkages between Geneva and Bonn
### Upcoming Calls for Submissions

**Selected calls for Submissions 2019**

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