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NAP Expo: Catalyzing action and support for the national adaptation plan (NAP) process in developing countries

8-9 August 2014, Bonn, Germany

The NAP Expo will be held in Bonn on 8 and 9 August 2014. The event is being organized by the Least Developed Countries Expert Group (LEG), with the support of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat.

The Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC created the NAP process to enable least developed countries (LDCs) and other developing countries to formulate and implement national adaptation plans (NAPs). This process is supported by the LEG in the LDCs. More information about the NAP process is available at http://unfccc.int/6057>.

This year's NAP Expo follows up on the NAP Expo in June 2013 which marked the launch of the NAP process in LDCs. Its objectives are to:

- Serve as a platform for NAP teams, organizations, agencies and other stakeholders to exchange experience, lessons learned and ideas on the NAP process;
- Promote and mobilize action and support for the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans;
- Share technical knowledge, including on methods, data and tools;
- Identify gaps and needs for effective implementation of NAP processes, to further inform the LEG and other bodies and organizations in their support and guidance to these processes.

The event will bring together diverse stakeholders from LDCs and non-LDC developing countries, as well as those from supporting agencies and organizations, in an interactive manner to exchange ideas and share the status of their adaptation efforts. The event will enhance dialogue between the different actors and stakeholders of the NAP process as well as promote South-to-South collaboration.

The LEG is being supported by an advisory group that includes members of the Adaptation Committee and its Task Force on NAPs, GEF agencies, international organizations, as well as bilateral agencies and others.

Registration to the event can be done by sending an email to the following address <u>napexpo@unfccc.int</u>. If you require an official letter of invitation for visa purposes, you are kindly requested to communicate you request through the same e-mail. Your registration by **21 July 2014** would be appreciated to facilitate planning and logistics. The Expo will provide for the opportunity of a poster exhibition, showcasing progress in the NAP process in countries as well as relevant activities and support by organizations. If your organization would like to contribute a poster, please communicate your interest when registering.

Further information about the event and the draft programme will be made available at the following website http://unfccc.int/8425> from Tuesday 1 July 2014.

For any other information about the event, please contact the LEG Chair, Mr. Batu Uprety at <u>leghelp@unfccc.int</u>, or Mr. Motsomi Maletjane at <u>MMaletjane@unfccc.int</u>, tel: +49 228 815 1324.
