



# African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN)

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AFRICA-LEDS PROJECT

BREAKFAST SESSION

## Bridging Gaps in Implementing Climate Action and NDCs

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2019

Southern Sun Elangeni &  
Maharani, Durban

7.00 – 9.00am



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## CONCEPT NOTE

The EU-UNEP Africa LEDS project guided countries in implementation of their Nationally Determined Contributions to the Paris Agreement (NDCs). Work was covered through two components and undertaken in seven countries - Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique and Zambia.

Component 1 supported planning and implementation of Low Emission Development Strategies (LEDS). This was undertaken in Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire and the DRC. It involved ground actions practically demonstrating how implementation of NDCs aligned to leading socioeconomic priorities can unlock enterprise opportunities. Results were fed back to inform government-wide policy planning for NDCs implementation prioritisation in the countries.

Component 2 was LEDS Modelling Support which focused on analytical modelling. Here, integrated models capable of forecasting the long-term climate & socioeconomic impacts of alternative NDCs implementation trajectories were developed or enhanced in each respective country. These models were then integrated into policy decision structures through training and capacity enhancement of policy makers.

The project targeted contributions to the policy dialogue, both nationally and internationally; an important outcome of the project are country-specific policy recommendations for effectively managing the long-term transformation process.

As 2020 approaches, countries around the world face the challenges of updating and implementing their Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) pledges under the Paris Agreement, preparing Long Term Strategies looking towards 2050, and pursuing the UN Sustainable Development Goals alongside national development priorities.

This breakfast meeting during the 17th ordinary session of the Africa Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) is to discuss how the results of this project can unlock continental investments in low emissions development well into the future building on the EU-UNEP Africa LEDS project lessons.

# Agenda

6:30-7:00 **Registration and networking: Welcome coffee**

**7:00 - 7.15**

**Opening Session**

Remarks from UNEP Representative - 5minutes

Remarks from EU Representative (5 Minutes)

Remarks from AUC Representative (5 Minutes)

**7.15 - 7.30**

**Brief overview of Africa LEDS and lessons for NDCs implementation in Africa**

**7.30 - 8.10**

**Brief from each Minister of the Africa LEDS Implementing countries** (Cameroon, Mozambique, Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire, Zambia, DRC, Kenya) on how the project contributed to their NDCs implementation and how the project results are informing next steps

**8.10 - 8.50**

Open Plenary Discussion on how the Africa LEDS results can inform continental implementation of NDCs and upscaling of Low Emission Development Investments

**8.50-9.00**

**Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks**

- ▶ UNEP
- ▶ EC
- ▶ AMCEN President

*Bon Appetit!*



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