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Supporting Access to Green and Climate Finance in the Mediterranean and Southeast Europe

EU Pavilion

10 December 2018, 17:00-18:30

## **Abstract**

Countries of the Mediterranean and Southeast Europe have marginally benefitted from climate finance to date in spite of the needs and risks associated with climate change in the region. Multiple challenges prevail and prevent the deployment of green technologies and practices at scale. This side-event will present ongoing and new initiatives and methodologies proposed for the regions to scale up climate finance and strengthen cross-regional cooperation and financial synergies; It aims as well at exploring how to boost private sectors to better investment benefiting from political, social and institutional support.

## **Agenda**

## 17:00-17:07 Welcome Remarks

Frank Rijsberman, Director-General, Global Green Growth Institute UFM Senior Deputy SG Mr. Jorge Borrego

## 17:07-17:45 Green/Climate Finance Access

Chair: Margaret Kim, GCF Liaison Unit, Global Green Growth Institute

Mr. Vahakn Kabakian, Director of Climate Change Unit-UNDP, Ministry of Environment, Lebanon - Climate challenges being addressed and ongoing needs in Lebanon

Mr. András Huszár, Head of Climate Policy Department, Ministry of Innovation and Technology, Hungary – latest climate finance initiative for Western Balkan countries and climate finance strategy of Hungary

Representative of a Southeast European country (to be confirmed) –needs and gaps with climate finance in the Western Balkans

Naguib Amin, Team Leader, Clima-Med Project – using innovative approaches to finance climate change adaptation in the region.





