
Global Green Growth Institute

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Update on GGGI Cooperation with the UNFCCC and GGGI Presence and Activities at COP 21/CMP 11

1. GGGI's Strategic Plan 2015-2020 outlines the Institute's commitment to build the momentum which will drive the concept of green growth to a tipping point and ensure a policy shift towards low carbon pathways. To achieve this, GGGI aims to influence the green growth debate at the global level by facilitating substantive discussions that drive the green growth agenda and leverage member's experiences to bring legitimacy and credibility to the debate.

Update on GGGI cooperation with the UNFCCC

2. GGGI and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) are working together on activities aimed at addressing green growth issues in developing countries, by fostering climate resilient and low-emission development that will achieve stabilization of greenhouse gas (GHG) concentration in the atmosphere.
3. In November 2013, GGGI was granted observer status to the UNFCCC at COP 19/CMP 9 in Warsaw, Poland. GGGI subsequently participate in COP 20/CMP 10 in Lima, Peru.
4. On 8 June 2015, GGGI and the UNFCCC signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Bonn, Germany. The MOU provides a framework for joint activities in areas of mutual interest, including adaptation, mitigation, climate finance, technology and capacity building activities aim at sharing both organization's vast knowledge and experience.

GGGI Presence and Activities at COP21/CMP11

5. GGGI's presence and activities at COP 21 center on (1) strengthening GGGI's global partnerships and knowledge networks to assist developing countries move towards a model of green growth; and (2) providing thought leadership on climate and green finance drawing upon GGGI's Green Investment Service expertise and lessons learned from the Institute's in-country programs. **Annex 1** provides an overview of the provisional GGGI activities at COP 21.
6. GGGI will launch the **Inclusive Green Growth Partnership** together with the heads of the multilateral development banks and the United Nations regional economic and social commissions.¹ The launching event – tentatively scheduled for Monday 7 December – will comprise of a signing ceremony and two panel discussions, followed by a reception and dinner. The panel discussions will provide an opportunity for the heads of the partner

¹ See Inclusive Green Growth Partnership Concept Paper ([C/7/6](#)) for further information.

institutions to discuss practical solutions to address the financing and policy barriers to green growth and will be open to all COP 21 participants.

7. Heads of delegations from GGGI member countries are invited to attend the launch and a reception and dinner hosted by H.E. Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council. **Annex 2** provides an overview of the draft program for the launch of the Inclusive Green Growth Partnership.
8. GGGI will participate in a number of COP21 events related to **climate and green investment finance**. These events aim to highlight GGGI's green investment service offerings and its in-country programs focused on climate and green finance, including
 - A key note address by Mr. Yvo de Boer, GGGI Director General, at the NAMA (Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions) Fair;
 - A panel session on NAMA financing and technical assistance as part of the UNFCCC NAMA Fair;
 - A panel session on “How do we mobilize climate finance for green growth in Africa?” as part of Africa Day
 - A panel session on climate finance and project pipelines as part of the UNFCCC-International Chamber of Commerce BINGO (Business, Industry, NGO) Day; and
 - A panel discussion on Three Steps to Green Finance, exploring the linkages between international and domestic sources of finance with bankable project pipeline development.
9. The GGGI Delegation at COP 21 will be headed by H.E. Dr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Assembly and Chair of the Council. The delegation will also include, among others, Mr. Yvo de Boer (GGGI Director-General), Mr. Per Olof Bertilsson (Assistant Director-General / Head of Green Growth Planning and Implementation), Ms. Mahua (Assistant Director-General / Head of Knowledge Solutions) and Ms. Hyoeun Jenny Kim (Director of Strategy, Policy and Communication).

Annex 1. Provisional Calendar of GGGI Presence and Activities at COP21

Date	Event	Location	Brief overview of GGGI role and event
Wednesday 2 December, 15.00-20.00	NAMA (Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions) Fair	To be confirmed by UNFCCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Yvo de Boer, GGGI Director General, will make one of two keynote speeches together with Christiana Figueres, UNFCCC Executive Secretary, that will open the NAMA Fair (15.00 – 15.30) In addition, GGGI’s Green Investment Service (GIS) will organize a 1.5-hour panel session together with GIZ and UNEP-DTU on NAMA financing and technical assistance (16.30 – 18.00) NAMA Fair is organized by the UNFCCC Secretariat to showcase how NAMAs are moving developing countries along a low-emissions development trajectory. GIS is a member of the NAMA Fair organizing committee.
Friday 4 December 16:45–18:15	BINGO (Business, Industry, NGO) Day	To be confirmed by UNFCCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GGGI will organize a panel session on climate finance and project pipeline, together with the Carbon Disclosure Project, Climate-KIC, Green Technology Center-Korea, and the South Pole Group. BINGO Day is organized by International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and serves to present the messages of Business, Industry, NGOs concerned about the potential impact and opportunity presented by the negotiations.
Saturday 5 December 15:30-18:00	“Green Growth in Africa” Day	Africa Pavilion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GGGI will organize a session “How do we mobilize climate finance for green growth in Africa?” Speakers for the session include senior officials from Ethiopia’s Climate Resilient Green. Economy (CRGE) Facility, Rwanda’s National Fund for Environment and Climate Change, the African Development Bank and Nedbank.
Monday 7 December 15:30-18:30	Launch of the Inclusive Green Growth Partnership	Korea Pavilion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GGGI will launch an Inclusive Green Growth Partnership together with Asian Development Bank, African Development Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, UN Economic Commission for Africa, UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, and UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to support developing countries to transition to a model of green growth. The launch will include a signing ceremony, two one-hour high-level panels, and a reception and dinner for the Partners. The high-level panel discussions will focus on: (1) Policy challenges to mainstream green growth in Developing and Least Developed Countries; and (2) New finance solutions to support them to deliver on their INDCs and SDGs more broadly.
Tuesday 8 December 15.30-18.00	Panel discussion on Three Steps to Green Finance	IETA Pavilion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The session will present GGGI’s vision for promoting and facilitating green investments, looking at the linkages among international and domestic sources of finance as well as bankable project pipeline development. Speakers for the session include senior officials from Ethiopia’s Climate Resilient Green. Economy (CRGE) Facility, the Philippines’ Climate Change Commission, Rwanda’s National Fund for Environment and Climate Change, Colombia’s Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Colombia and the Green Climate Fund.

Annex 2. Draft Program for the Launch of the Inclusive Green Growth Partnership

Date: 7 December 2015
Venue: To be confirmed (TBC)

1530-1545	<p>Opening Remarks by Prof. Dr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Assembly of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI)</p>
1545-1600	<p>Partnership Signing Ceremony and Group Photo</p>
1600-1645	<p>Panel Discussion: New Finance Solutions for Supporting the Fulfilment of Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDC) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Jim Yong Kim, President, World Bank - TBC • Mr. Bambang Susantono, Vice President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, Asian Development Bank (ADB) • Mr. Akinwumi Adesina, President, African Development Bank Group (AfDB) – TBC • Mr. Luis Alberto Moreno, President, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) – TBC
1645-1730	<p>Panel Discussion: Overcoming the Policy Challenges to Mainstream Green Growth in Developing and Least Developed Countries</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Shamshad Akhtar, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP) • Dr. Carlos Lopes, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN ECA) - TBC • Ms. Alicia Bárcena Ibarra, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) - TBC • Ms. Rima Khalaf, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA) – TBC
1730-1830	<p>Reception Attended by heads of multilateral development banks, United Nations regional economic and social commissions, COP21 Heads of Delegations from GGGI Member Countries</p>

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