Roundtable
Climate for Sustainable Growth
Managing Low GHG Pathways/transition and its impacts in a sustainable way

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***Speakers are being confirmed***

Date: March 20, 2015. 9.30 - 16.00

Venue: CDC Climat, rue de la Victoire 47, Paris

The aim of this Roundtable is to:

- Introduce the project to stakeholders
- Introduce the methodology that will be used to develop case studies for countries and sectors
- Discuss criteria that will be used to identify countries and sectors that will make the object of the case studies
- Receive input from stakeholders on the issues listed above the research.

09:30 Welcome
- Benoit Leguet, CDC Climat

09:40 Project outline and process
- Andrei Marcu, CEPS

10:30 Methodology for country track
- John van Aardenne (EEA): EU Low-carbon development strategies

Presentation of “sample” case studies:

- Tomasz Chruszczow (Poland) confirmed
- Petrus Muteauli (Namibia) confirmed
- Minister Abdullahi Majeed (Maldives) confirmed
- El Hadji Mbaye Diagne (Senegal) confirmed
- Yaw B. Osafo (Ghana) confirmed

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The country track will focus on approaches to study impacts in a number of selected countries. The main issue analyzed is: how do countries move towards a low-carbon economy in a sustainable way, i.e. how are economic, social and environmental impacts taken into account, both domestically, and internationally in the implementation of measures towards a low-carbon economy.

Some of the key questions answered in case studies for individual country case studies may include:

**How are countries selected for case studies?** A limited number of countries will be chosen. Examples of the criteria currently being considered are access to information, expected positive and negative impacts of climate policies on all on all three dimensions of sustainable development (economic, social and environmental) and maintaining a balance between developing and developed countries.

**Why are the countries moving towards low-carbon development?** What are the main drivers?

**What measures (with direct or indirect climate impacts) are the countries implementing to move to a low-carbon economy?** This will include mapping the various mitigation and adaptation measures and making decisions on which mitigation measures we include in the study. The range of measures with direct or indirect mitigation effects is too wide for all to be equally considered.

**How do these measures impact the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainability?** The impacts could be domestic and/or international and positive or negative. How can we measure or quantify these impacts?

**Which tools and measures are available and implemented to alleviate any of the negative impacts, both domestically and internationally?**

12:15  Lunch

13:30  Methodology for sectoral track

Presentation of “sample” case study:

- Philippe Chauveau, Solvay (soda ash sector)
- Aaron Cosbey, IISD (food labeling)
- Julia Reinaud, European Climate Foundation

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Under this second strand, the project will select a limited number of sectors and analyze the impacts of relevant mitigation measures on those sectors.

Some of the key questions that will be addressed for each sector may include:

**How are sectors selected for case studies?** A limited number of sectors will be chosen. Examples of the criteria currently being considered are access to information, extent to which the sector is affected by climate policies, expected positive and negative impacts of climate policies on all on all three dimensions of sustainable development (economic, social and environmental) and importance of the sector in both developing and developed countries.

**Why are the sectors moving towards low-carbon development?** Are the drivers of low-carbon development for this sector regulatory or voluntary in nature?

**What measures (with direct or indirect climate impacts) impact the sectors?** This will include mapping the various mitigation and adaptation measures affecting the sectors and drawing boundaries on which types of measures will be included in the analysis. The range of measures with direct or indirect mitigation effects on any specific sector could be too wide for all to be equally considered.
How are the sectors impacted, economically, socially and environmentally? The impacts could be domestic and/or international and positive or negative. How can we measure or quantify these impacts?

Which tools and measures are available and implemented to alleviate any of the negative impacts, both domestically and internationally?

15:00 Relationship between sectoral and country tracks

This session focuses on the relationship between the sectoral and country tracks. The central question is if and how both tracks can be merged or integrated and what added-value this might bring to the project.

How do the sectoral and country tracks relate to each other – do we do both sector and country analysis

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15:45 Reflections on project direction and future steps

- Andrei Marcu, CEPS

At the moment, CEPS is moving ahead with this project. Several workflows are in place:

a) Establishing networks aimed at finding research partners and sectors with whom CEPS can cooperate during this project.

b) Developing criteria for selecting countries and sectors.

c) Analyzing low-carbon development strategies, that come under such titles as ‘Special climate change program’ ‘Climate change action plan’ or ‘Low carbon development strategy’.

d) Desk review regarding the prevalence and relative importance of certain sectors in existing low-carbon development pathways.

e) Potential integration of both parts of the project (countries & sectors).

16:00 Concluding remarks and meeting wrap-up

- Andrei Marcu, CEPS