

**The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Cairo
and the Ministry of Environment of the Arab Republic of Egypt**
have the pleasure to invite you to the 59th Cairo Climate Talks (CCT) Panel Discussion

**Climate negotiations in Katowice:
Key outcomes of COP24 and
preparations of COP25**

on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD),
11 Al Saleh Ayoub Street, Zamalek



In December 2018, world leaders assembled in Katowice for the 24th Conference of the Parties (COP24) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), to come up with operational guidance for the implementation of the Paris Agreement (PA), the so-called rulebook. This is the detailed manual needed for the PA to enter force in 2020.

The parties have agreed on a common regulatory framework rulebook to implement and report on their emissions-cutting commitments under the PA. Egypt has played a key role in the success of the negotiations at COP24 by leading the Group of 77 and China, and chairing the group of African negotiators. Under the COP presidency consultations, Egypt and Germany co-facilitated matters related to climate finance. To support developing countries, Germany offered €70million to the Adaptation Fund. It also became the first country to commit the concrete amount of €1.5billion to the Green Climate Fund (GCF).

The latest report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) stresses the need to maintain the commitment to the PA's aims of limiting

global warming to 1.5 °C, which is possible but requires unprecedented actions. Therefore, all parties must begin work on updating and enhancing their current National Determined Contributions (NDC's) for enhanced actions on climate and finance.

COP24 chartered a new phase – a deal on implementation of the PA, but there are still some issues left unresolved, for example, how countries can trade emission rights with each other. The next step is to negotiate these final elements at COP25 in Chile, where Parties should present their current NDCs indicating emissions-cutting targets and set new future targets for 2030.

The 59th Cairo Climate Talks will bring together climate negotiators, climate science experts, and policy makers to share their valuable insights on the major outcomes of COP24 and to discuss how the rulebook will support the implementation of the PA; what the key elements of the adopted text are in terms mitigation, adaptation, finance and transparency elements; and what opportunities Egypt can seize in this regard?

The discussion will be opened by

Ms. Justyna Porazińska
Deputy Head of Mission
at the Republic of Poland in Cairo

H.E. Dr. Yasmine Fouad (tbc)
Minister of Environment of Egypt

Mr. Sönke Siemon
Deputy Head of Mission at the
Federal Republic of Germany in Cairo

Panelists

Dr. Ahmed Badr
Executive Director of RECREE

Mr. Arne Riedel
Fellow at Ecologic Institute in Berlin and
member of the German delegation to the
UN climate negotiations

Dr. Sherin El Baradie
Assistant Professor at the civil and
infrastructure engineering program,
Nile University

Mr. Saber Osman
Climate Change Adaptation Manager
at the Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency

Moderator: Ms. Nada El Shanawany
A networking dinner will close the event