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## COP-21 SIDE EVENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND THE LEDS GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP

## HARNESSING INVESTMENT FOR LOW EMISSION DEVELOPMENT AND INDCS

# *Date:* Thursday, December 10, 2015 *Time:* 13:15 – 14:45 *Location:* Blue Zone Observer Room 12, Le Bourget, Paris

Achieving the ambitious goals countries have established in their low emission development strategies (LEDS) and intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs) requires mobilization of high levels of private and public investment.

This event held jointly by the LEDS Global Partnership<sup>1</sup> and the National Council for Climate Change and Clean Development Mechanism of the Government of the Dominican Republic will highlight approaches and lessons learned from countries in securing public and private funds to scale up action on low emission development. In particular, the event will offer insights on effective investment strategies and instruments from the governments of the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. It will also provide a perspective from the private sector on actions for enabling private capital mobilization and offer an opportunity for open dialogue with the audience.

**13:15 – 13:25** Introduction to the LEDS Global Partnership – JANE EBINGER, World Bank

13:25 – 14:15 Panel Discussion on Mobilizing Investment for LEDS
OMAR RAMIREZ TEJADA, National Council for Climate Change and Clean
Development Mechanism, Government of the Dominican Republic – Chair
LEDS Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Platform
JOYCELINE GOCO, Climate Change Commission, Government of the Philippines
KYUNG-AH PARK, Environmental Markets Group, Goldman Sachs

14:15 – 14:40 Open discussion with the audience

### 14:40 – 14:45 Closing – RON BENIOFF, LEDS Global Partnership Secretariat Co-Director

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The LEDS Global Partnership (LEDS GP) harnesses the collective knowledge and resources of more than 160 countries, international donors and technical organizations to strengthen efforts to mobilize investment and provide other support for LEDS and INDC implementation. For more information please visit http://ledsgp.org





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#### **Speaker Biographies**

#### JANE EBINGER, World Bank

Ms. Jane Ebinger is the Chief Climate Change Specialist for the Climate Change Group of the World Bank. Previously, she was assigned to the Energy Sector Management Assistance Program (ESMAP) as Thematic Coordinator for Energy and Climate Change in October 2008. Jane has over 20 years experience working in the energy sector both in the oil and gas industry (for BP and BHP Billiton) and at the World Bank. She joined the World Bank's Europe and Central Asia Energy team in 2001 initially on a staff exchange program from BP. She has worked in project, operational and corporate/policy roles on issues including environment assessment and management, safety risk assessment, oil spill and emergency response management, climate change adaptation and mitigation, and carbon finance. Jane has an MA Mathematics and an MSc Mathematical Modelling and Numerical Analysis, both from Oxford University, UK.

**OMAR RAMIREZ TEJADA**, National Council for Climate Change and Clean Development Mechanism, Government of the Dominican Republic – Chair LEDS Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Platform Mr. Omar Ramirez Tejada has been a key figure in promoting climate change education and training at regional, national and global levels. As Executive Vice President of the National Council for Climate Change and Clean Development Mechanisms, he ensured high-level political support for the development and implementation of adaptation and mitigation climate change policies in the Dominican Republic. He is also the technical head of the Dominican delegation to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) where he has constantly promoted the importance of Article 6 of the Convention on education, training and public awareness-raising. Omar is a biologist by profession, with a major in Planning and Land Management in Municipal and Natural Areas.

#### JOYCELINE GOCO, Climate Change Commission, Government of the Philippines

Assistant Secretary Joyceline A. Goco is currently the Deputy Executive Director of the Climate Change Office of the Philippine Climate Change Commission. She is also the Project Manager of several climate change adaptation and mitigation initiatives in the Philippines including the Philippine Enhancing Capacity for Low Emissions Development Strategies (EC-LEDS) project, the UNDP Project Climate Twin Phoenix, and its component, the Resilience and Preparedness toward Inclusive Development (RAPID) Program. Ms. Goco was formerly the Head of the Inter-agency Committee on Climate Change and the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Secretariat. She was instrumental in the establishment of the CDM Designated National Authority and the formulation of the National Clean Development Mechanism Framework. She likewise coordinated the preparation of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> National Communication on Climate Change.

Ms. Goco has been presenting papers on climate change issues at national and international conferences and fora and is involved in the international climate change negotiation as member of the Philippine Delegation.

#### KYUNG-AH PARK, Environmental Markets Group, Goldman Sachs

Ms. Kyung-Ah Park is the head of the Environmental Markets Group, which oversees and supports the global environmental initiatives of Goldman Sachs. She manages the Center for Environmental Markets, which partners with corporates, nongovernmental organizations, and academic institutions to further market-based solutions to environmental issues. Kyung-Ah serves on the firmwide Physical Commodity Review Committee. Previously, she was a vice president in the Industrials Group in the Investment Banking Division and an executive director of Goldman Sachs (Asia) LLC, where she worked in an advisory capacity with clients across the region. Kyung-Ah joined Goldman Sachs in 1998 in the Mergers



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and Acquisitions Department in New York. She was named Managing Director in 2010. Prior to joining the firm, Kyung-Ah worked as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company in Seoul, Korea, and Johannesburg, South Africa. Kyung-Ah earned an MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA from Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea.

#### RON BENIOFF, LEDS Global Partnership Secretariat Co-Director

Mr. Ron Benioff is Director of Multilateral Programs at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). In this capacity, he directs the LEDS Global Partnership where he coordinates activities of the partnership across the regional platforms, topical working groups, and more than 160 member institutions. He also serves as the director of the Clean Energy Solutions Center, a Clean Energy Ministerial initiative providing clean energy policy resources, expert advice, and training to countries around the world. In addition, he manages NREL's work as operating agent for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Power Partnership, which advances clean energy grid integration and power sector transformation. Ron also manages NREL's work to deliver energy services for the UNFCCC Climate Technology Center and Network (CTCN). He recently served as Director of the Green Growth Best Practices Initiative.