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CLIMATE LEADERS SUMMIT 2010

LOW CARBON DEVELOPMENT, CHINA IN ACTION

The Climate Group Cancun Side event China Plan

COP16 will be held in Cancun, Mexico from Nov 29 to Dec 10. The Climate Group (TCG) is having three-day side event during COP16 at Cancun. Partnered with UNEP and SEE, a series of "Low Carbon Development, China in Action" events will be held as part of the major TCG events. The series of events include two major parts: COP16 China Day and Climate Leaders Summit engagement.

COP16 China Day Agenda

Time: Dec. 6
Venue: Broad Pavilion, Cancun

07:30-09:30

Breakfast roundtable: China 12th Five-Year Plan outlook

Speaker: Deputy head of China NDRC: Xie Zhenhua (TBC)

Guests: 10 Chinese CEOs & 10 international CEOs delegates from the Climate Leaders Summit

Host: Huang Wenhong, division head of Climate Department, NDRC

10:00-10:05

Video: Low Carbon Development, China in Action

10:05-10:25

Speeches: NDRC, UNEP, and the Climate Group

10:25-10:45

China Clean Revolution III report release & share by the Climate Group

10:45-12:30

City panel discussion: China City representatives and international representatives

Panelists: Huang Wenhong, division head of Climate Department,



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NDRC; Lu Xiulu, deputy director of NDRC, Guangdong province; Lin Yaojun, head of energy and climate division, Guangdong province; Edward Yau, director general of Environment Bureau, Hong Kong; Hangzhou city representative; Li Dawei, head of Song Xian county, Henan province; New York representative (TBC), and London representative (TBC).

Host: Rui Chenggang (TBC)

12:30-13:30

Lunch

14:00-15:45

Panel discussion: Chinese Enterprises Green Practice

Panelists: Chinese SEE entrepreneurs, international entrepreneurs

16:00-17:30

Low carbon China: Environmental-protection NGOs' practices and views in China

Guests: Chinese local NGOs' representatives

18:00

Closing Speech

SideEvents

Date: Dec 5
Venue: Climate Change Village, Cancun

Organizers: Research Center of Journalism and Social Development of Renmin University of China, Oxfam Hong Kong

Sign up before: Nov 30

Opening Events:

13:30-14:00: Registration and casual communication

14:00-14:10: Welcoming speech

Subject One: Impact of climate change

14:10-14:30: Keynote speech: Impact of climate change on BASIC countries and Mexico

14:30-15:20: Round table discussion: Sharing cases of impact of climate change on respective countries among guest speakers of five countries

Subject Two: Sharing of climate change communication experience

15:20-15:40: Keynote speech:

Climate change communication strategies and experience of BASIC countries and Mexico

15:40-16:20: Round table discussion: Sharing measures of helping the poor to adapt to climate change and climate change communication strategies among guest speakers of five countries, experts, NGO representatives and media representatives.

Subject Three: Interaction between guest speakers and the audience

16:20-16:30: Q&A

Push: China closes in on five-year target

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Xie also urged industrialized countries to play a major role in curbing global greenhouse gas emissions and promised that China will make strides to cap its carbon growth.

"Developed countries have to take the lead in reducing their carbon emissions and making space for developing nations to prosper," he said. "Of course, China will not allow unchecked increases of its carbon emissions. Instead, the country is poised to take measures so that the emissions can peak at an early stage."

But he insisted that China will not accept any obligation beyond its ability as a developing country.

By the end of 2010, China, one of the world's major emitters of carbon dioxide, will be close to beating its five-year target of improv-

All countries need to build up a high level of consensus ... to achieve an outcome which might not satisfy everybody, but can be acceptable for all.

XIE ZHENHUA
CHINA'S TOP CLIMATE NEGOTIATOR

Action: More are getting involved in green projects

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consumption and water usage in leather processing.

Peng told me he and his partners are pursuing their goal of forging a set of new technical standards to ensure that the leather industry will go green.

The other day, I had dinner with a retired official of the Supreme People's Court who told me with excitement how he was helping farmers in a village in Yunnan province to expand the planting of some indigenous trees whose seeds can be turned into bio-fuel.

Before the arrival of electricity, the local farmers used to process the seeds to fuel oil lamps, he said.

During the Global Sustainable Leaders Forum in Beijing last week, university students reported on a few major research projects, all aimed at lowering greenhouse gas emissions.

In one project, the students are studying how to use CO2 as a medium to improve energy efficiency in alloying metals. They believe mak-

ing energy efficiency by 20 percent, Xie said.

"As a result, China has avoided the emission of 1.5 billion tons of carbon," he said.

ing use of CO2 in industrial production can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

In another project, the students are working on a new generation of heat pumps that can store and recycle heat and hot water discharged during industrial production. Their research is already being applied in pilot projects in Shaoxing and Kunming.

These are just a few of the examples I have encountered of common Chinese who have become involved in "green" projects, programs, and experiments. Their goal is to improve their income, which currently averages about \$3,000 per capita, by blazing a new trail of sustainable and low-carbon growth to offset the rising demand for energy and other natural resources.

These are the stories we should take to Cancun to inspire negotiators to smooth out their differences and work together to meet the challenges of climate change.

The window of opportunity is small. We must act together, and quickly.