Administrative Support Group Update on the new Climate and Clean Air Coalition

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Coalition History

Many countries and organizations concerned with impacts of short-lived climate pollutants & have pursued mitigation:

- Global Methane Initiative
- Montreal Protocol's Multilateral Fund favors climate-friendly solutions
- Arctic Council & Arctic Black Carbon Initiative
- Many scientific & policy reports in recent years heighten this concern
 - UNEP/WMO integrated assessment and UNEP synthesis reports, 2011
 - U.S. EPA Black Carbon report, Arctic Council, Blue Ribbon Panel on Methane
- Exploratory efforts for Coalition by U.S., Canada, Mexico and Sweden
- SLCF Ministerial Meeting in Mexico City, Sept. 2011
- Preparatory coordination of founding partners (Bangladesh, Canada, Ghana, Mexico, Sweden, U.S., and UNEP), fallwinter 2011-12

Coalition Launch: February 16, 2012, Washington, D.C.







The Coalition's first ministerial

- Hosted by Sweden in Stockholm, 23-24 April
- Welcoming new partners to the Coalition and funding contributions
- 5 initial focal area efforts initiated
- Formal launch of the UNEP Secretariat in Paris
- Announcement of plan & group of advisors for a Science Advisory Panel
- Decisions approved by CCAC ministers





Focal Area Initiatives

- Initial priorities of the Coalition's work; not meant to be limiting
- Cover reductions of all three core pollutants: methane, black carbon (BC), & HFCs; focus on quick, low-cost impacts & scalability
 - BC from diesel vehicles and engines
 - BC brick production (kilns)
 - SLCPs from municipal solid waste, landfills
 - HFC alternative technology and standards
 - Methane from oil & natural gas production
- Cross-cutting initiatives: finance, outreach & awareness raising, national action plans
- Agreed by all partners and approved by ministers
- All focal areas led by one or more country partners
- More initiatives proposed; Coalition working to add more





Reducing Black Carbon

Reducing emissions from heavy duty diesel vehicles and engines

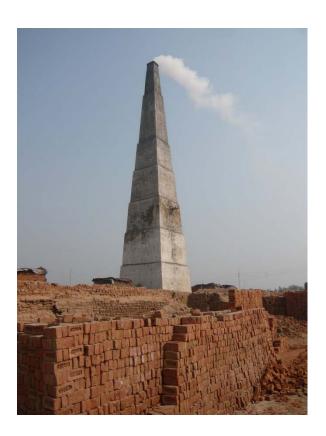






Reducing Black Carbon

Mitigating black carbon and other pollutants from brick production







CCAC Landfills Initiative

New partnership between UNEP, the Clinton Climate Initiative and C40, the World Bank, and the Global Methane Initiative to improve waste management in large cities.







Reducing HFCs

- Seeking alternatives through new technologies
- Working to overcome existing barriers to deployment



















Cross-cutting Initiatives

- National Action Plans: UNEP and Mexico working on next steps
- Finance: UNEP working with the World Bank
- Outreach & awareness raising: Sweden, UNEP, and the United States
 - Launch event for outreach efforts on June 3 in Sweden
 - Many events in Rio
 - UNEP-led CCAC website & outreach efforts
 - Regional workshops being planned, Stockholm Environment Institute





CCAC Outreach Competition

- Announced in Stockholm on June 3; went live June 15.
- Entries open to young people around the world aged 12 to 25
- Four categories:
 - 1. Best tagline or slogan for the Climate and Clean Air Coalition.
 - 2. Best description "What is a short-lived climate pollutant?"
 - 3. Best social media proposal for messaging on short-lived climate pollutants, the Coalition's work and for breaking news on issues related to SLCPs.
 - 4. Best audio-visual product which communicates SLCP impacts and opportunities to address them.
- Addressing SLCPs is a global challenge, so entries will be welcome in any language
- Visit the Coalition website for details: www.unep.org/ccac
- Entries close 24 August





Next Steps

- Implementation of focal area initiatives and key activities
 - Including new partnerships with existing development assistance programs and partners
- Recruiting and engagement of new partners, including from the private sector and civil society
- Awareness raising and outreach
 - Regional events to identify developing country priorities and linkages to sustainable development activities
- Science Advisory Panel launch
- Establishing participatory and effective governance arrangements for the Coalition
- July working group meeting planned in Paris

Questions?

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