

Online Platform Ministerial Meeting: Concept and Agenda (DRAFT)  
Thursday, 3 September 2020 | 20:00 to 23:00 JST (13:00 to 16:00 CEST, 07:00-10:00 EDT)

Draft Agenda and Session structure

Chair: KOIZUMI Shinjiro, Minister of the Environment Japan

20:00-20:15 Opening:

Opening remarks by Minister Koizumi and Ms. Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary of UNFCCC  
Message from leaders (video message) (TBC)

20:15-21:00 Session 1: Panel discussion-The Three Transitions and Redesign with/after COVID-19:

This session is expected to set the tone of this event, which is to address two global crises: COVID-19 pandemic, and climate change. The three transitions toward decarbonization, circular economy, and decentralization, will be the cornerstone of our recovery from COVID-19, on the way to redesigning our lifestyle and business models to be more sustainable and resilient. In order to foster these transitions, it is necessary to encourage climate policies as well as financial and environmental protection policies.

- Facilitator: Andrew Steer, WRI President and CEO
- Panelists :           Minister Koizumi Shinjiro  
                              2-3 Panelists (TBC)

21:00-22:20 Session 2 : Ministerial Roundtable: COVID-19 recovery measures and actions

Ministers and representatives of participating countries will exchange information and views on their measures and actions related to climate change and environmental protection as part of their COVID-19 recovery in several key sectors and areas: energy, transportation, urban planning, adaptation, lifestyle (including behavioral change), finance, digital transformation, etc.

Session Chair: Selwin Hart, Special Adviser of the UN Secretary-General on Climate Action

Ask several ministers to make framing presentations (approx. 3 minutes) touching upon these sectors/areas, then followed by intervention by other ministers (and representatives, if time allows) (approx. 1 or 2 minutes per country, subject to the number of participating countries)

Possible sectors/areas to be covered by lead speakers (TBC)

- 1) Overall (including efforts towards successful COP26):
- 2) Strengthening Climate Action and Fostering Ambition:
- 3) Energy (Renewable energy, Hydrogen etc.)
- 4) Transportation
- 5) Urban Planning

6) Adaptation (Water, food system etc.)

22:20-22:55 Session 3: Discussions based on Stakeholders interests

Gather questions from Stakeholders (UNFCCC observers) in advance. Representatives of non-state stakeholders (business, subnational, labour and civil society) are invited to join as panelists. Those panelists and participants of Session 1 and 2 will discuss based on stakeholders' questions.

- Short video messages from non-state stakeholders (e.g. youth, business and subnational) will also be presented (TBC).

Session Chair: (TBC)

22:55-23:00 Closing

Closing remarks by Minister Koizumi