# The Road to Copenhagen

COP15: Status on the international climate change negotiations and Denmark's role and ambitions as the host country



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### **Denmark in a new role**

# Denmark will not be COP President before December 2009. However, as incoming presidency of COP15 we step into a new role:

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

- ➢ High level of ambition
- Listen to all parties
- Staying impartial and ambitious
- Ensure transparency and openness
- > Identifying where common ground is emerging
- > Ensure other processes feed into the UNFCCC process and in due time

### **COP15: Window of opportunity?**

- ✓ The mandate: All countries have agreed to the Bali Action Plan, with the objective of a ambitious and fair agreement in Copenhagen
- ✓ Increased political involvement world wide
- ✓ Public attention: Climate change is not only on top of the political agenda it is on everybody's agenda!
- ✓ Science is clear: We need to act now
- New US administration: Willingness to re-engage in the negotiations.



#### The road to Copenhagen: The Bali Action Plan





- All countries, including US, China and India
- > Intensified negotiations
- End date: Copenhagen COP15 2009
- A shared long term vision and four building blocks as elements in a future climate agreement



#### The road to Copenhagen: COP14 in Poznan



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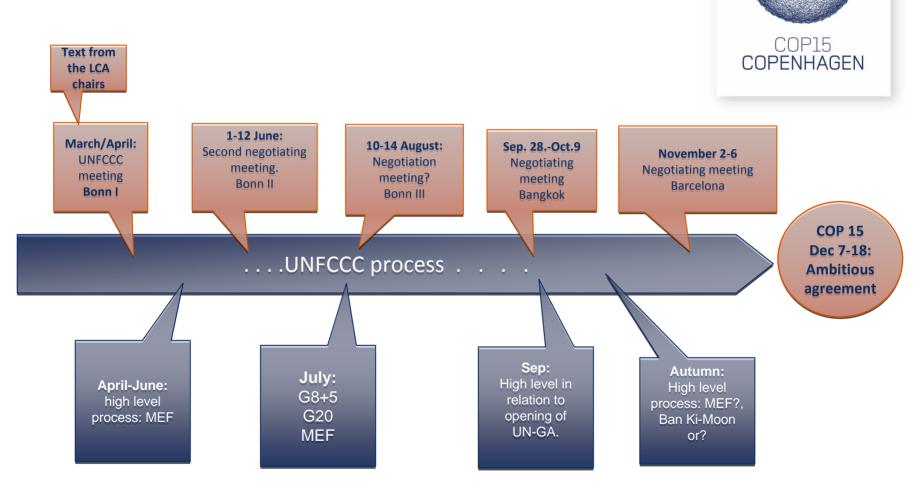
• 2009: The year of negotiations: Negotiations on specific elements

#### • COP14:

- o agreed on a work plan for 2009
- All options on the table. Draft text discussed for the first time in Bonn 1-12 June.
- o Denmark in a new role: From national initiator to becoming international mediator

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### The story of 2009



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#### Elements in a future agreement on climate change

- A shared vision for the global emissions in accordance with science, but also on the other building blocks
- Mitigation actions:
  - > Ambitious mitigation targets for developed countries (Annex 1)
  - > National appropriate mitigation actions by developing countries
- Adaptation to climate change
- **Technology** transfer and development
- Financing and investment

# Five Key Challenges

•Ensuring deep, early and <u>mandatory cuts</u> in emissions of indu. c ountries through ambitious mitigation commitments

•Ensuring that developed countries deliver <u>new</u>, <u>predictable and a</u> <u>dditional financial support</u> through enhanced commitments and better oversight of those commitments

•Ensuring enhanced <u>mitigation actions</u> by developing countries and the needed support and incentives

•Ensuring a meaningful response to the challenge of preparing for and <u>adapting to the impacts of climate change</u>

•Finding the Heart of the political Bargain



## Where do we stand mid 2009? Mitigation



- EU: 20/30 pct. in 2020 compared to 1990 – supported by Switzerland
- USA: 0-5 pct in 2020 compared to 1990, 80% in 2050 compared to 1990
- Australia: 25 pct. in 2020 compared to 2000 (conditional)
- ➢ Norway: CO2 neutral in 2030
- Russia: 10-15% reduction in 2020. Increase energy efficiency by 40 pct.
- Japan: 15% in 2020 compared to 2005.
   60-80 pct. in 2050

#### Statements from developing countries

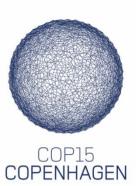
- China: Peak in 2035. 40% reduction of energy intensity & 15% renewables in 2020
- South Africa: Peak in 2020/2025, reduce from 2030
- Costa Rica: Carbon Neutral society in 2021
- Mexico: App. 8% reduction in 2012 compared to 2009. Reduce 50 pct. in 2020.
- Brazil: Reduce deforestation by 70 pct.
- India: 8 NAPCC missions pending.
   CO2/capita never to increase beyond that of the developed countries



## Where do we stand mid 2009? Financing

- The financial crisis: an opportunity?
  Green stimulus packages...
- •New mechanisms for financing on the table





### **Status after Bonn II**



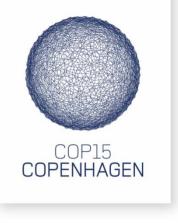
### Challenges

- Division between North and South
- Low target announced by Japan
- Negotiating text too long
- Progress very slow

### Status after Bonn II Positive

- All issues on the table
- Agreement to negotiate on the current texts
- US now a progressive player
- Many DC are being ambitious
- → Important not to downgrade expectations of COP15





# How to get more information?

- The Danish government has launched a website in seven languages at <u>www.cop15.dk</u> to encourage global debate leading up to COP15.
- Among other things, the website contains blogs with some of the world's most renowned climate thinkers participating.

# Discussion

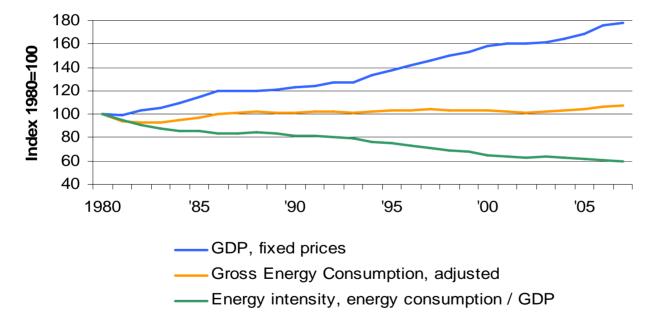
- What is needed to get an agreement in Copenhagen?
- How to bridge the North/South divide in the international negotiations?
- Is climate change only a cost to industry?
- Low Carbon Growth a possibility in India?



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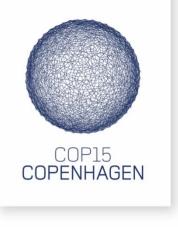
# De-linking Economic Growth and Energy Consumption





Note: Energy consumption for international maritime traffic (international bunkering) is not included in the individual country's energy consumption under international rules for energy statistics, but is calculated separately; therefore it does not appear in the figure.

Implications for Indian Industry



- National legislation being prepared
- International rules from 2013 a real possibility
- Opportunities and costs for business
- First mover advantages