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Climate, Energy and Sustainability - Business Perspectives on Actions After Paris

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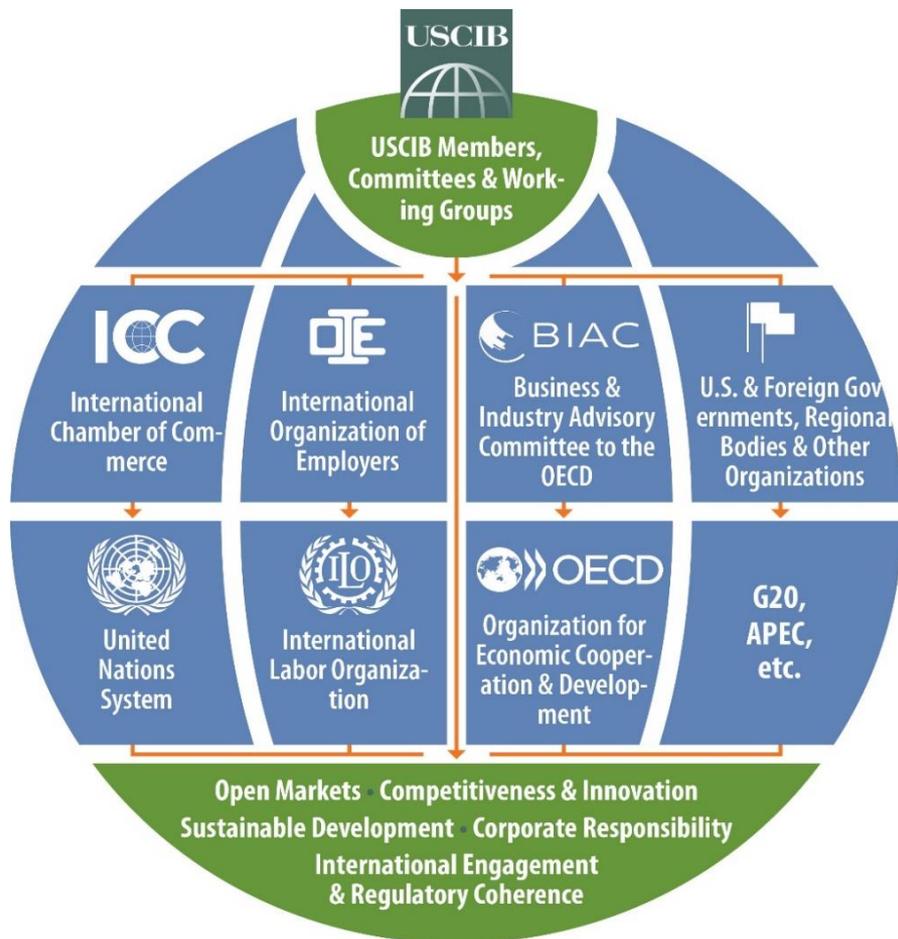
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UN sustainability decisions
vis a vis business**
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About USCIB

The Power to Shape Policy.
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International Policy Advocacy group representing US Business (300+ US-based global cos (F500), biz associations, professional service firms

Engaged @ UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) since 1993

Supports UNFCCC & Paris Agreement

Promotes open markets, competitiveness and innovation, sustainable development & corporate responsibility for & by US cos

Favors multilateral cooperative approaches and policies working w/biz



About (almost) Everything

Unprecedented business attendance and alignment

Significant outcomes for business across every sector

- **Policy** - Environment, energy, economic
- **Energy** – Access, Security, Technology
- **Markets** – Including, but not limited to, carbon
- **Finance and Investment** conditions and opportunities
- **Voluntary** initiatives & Partnerships
- **Expectations – Reputation**



Business and Climate

Business has been a recognized constituency at UNFCCC since “pre-COP”

Diverse and inter-connected community

- **all sectors impacted**
- **all sectors can contribute**
- **no monolithic business community view or approach**

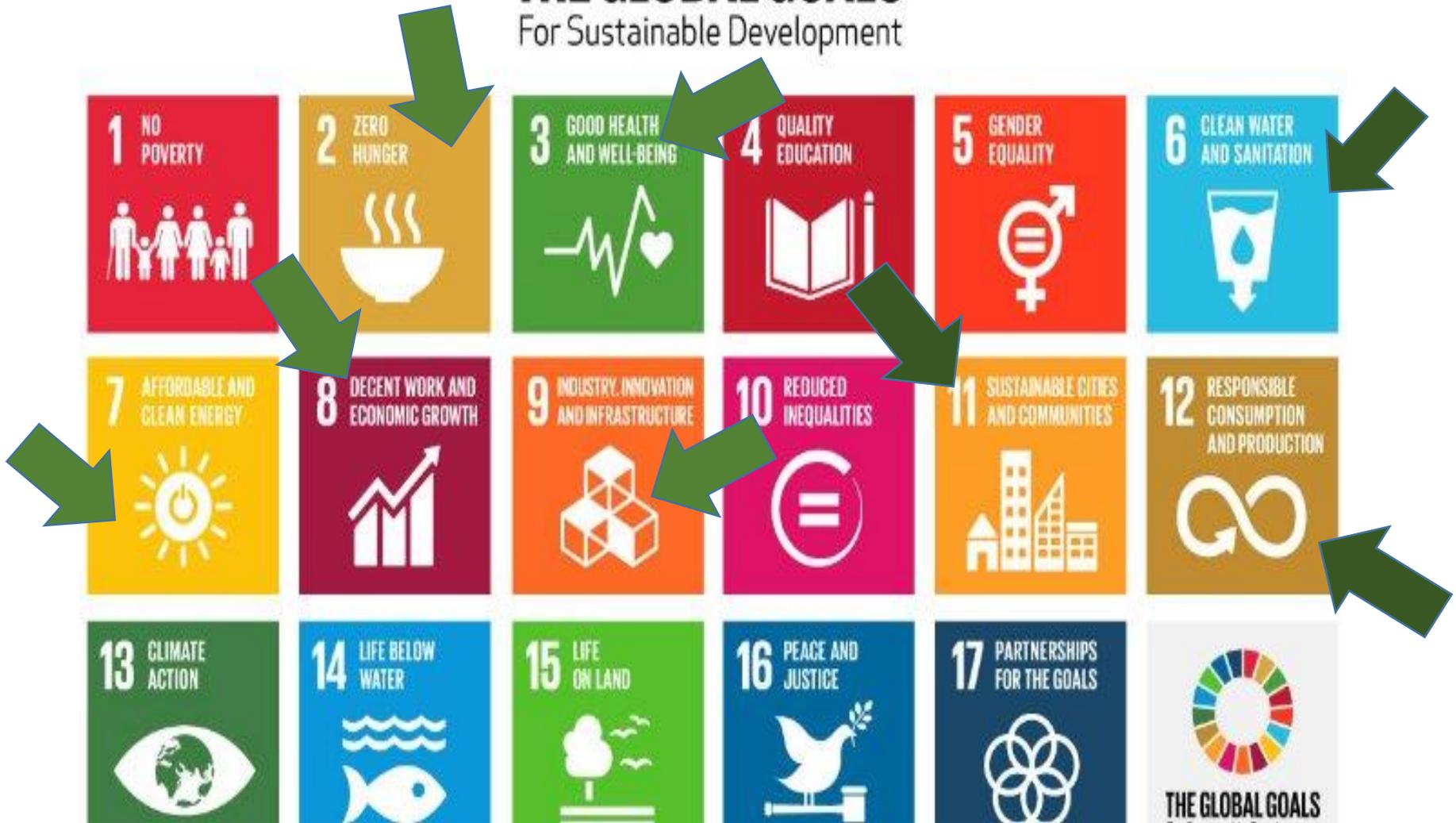
Priority climate-related issues differ for business communities in developed and developing countries

Climate issues do not exist in a vacuum, nor are they approached as such by most companies



THE GLOBAL GOALS

For Sustainable Development



Many connection points between UNFCCC/climate across global sustainability agenda

Paris Decision (immediate action)

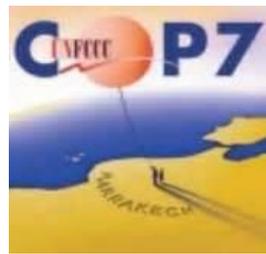
- Near term action & increased ambition (Work Stream 2)
 - Technical Experts Meetings (TEMs)
- Adaptation

Paris Agreement (longer term)

- “Various Actors”
- Finance from private sources

Elsewhere in UNFCCC

- UNFCCC practical bodies – Green Climate Fund and Technology Mechanism
- Lima-Paris Action Agenda and Climate Champions
 - High Level events around COPs
 - NAZCA and other approaches to tracking/reporting
- Other voluntary pledges & initiatives at international + national levels
- How will Business Dialogue(s) continue and be reflected?



Whats Next? A Long Road to Paris, a longer road ahead....



DOHA 2012
UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE
COP18|CMP8

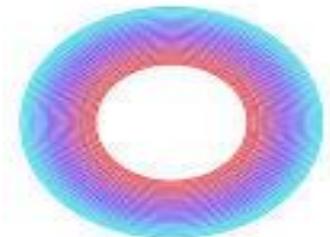
United Nations Climate Change Conference
COP18/CMP8 Doha, Qatar



UN Climate Change Conference 2007
Bali - Indonesia



COP17/CMP7
UNITED NATIONS
CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE 2011
DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA



LIMA COP20/CMP10
CONFÉRENCE DES NATIONS UNIES
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Observations

Successful climate policy requires
supportive frameworks engaging
business inside + outside the
UNFCCC

- Business is unsung hero of Paris Climate Summit -- different from other “non-state actors,” more than “observers”
- **Paris outcomes’ involvement/engagement for business is inadequate – The UNFCCC does in fact need a “Plan B (for Business)” to achieve its goals of accelerated action**
- Along with urgency of implementation, more work to be done in clarifying and elaborating Paris outcomes...business must be involved in both – without that, *action* will not reach needed levels
- Every INDC is different + all are “works in progress” – must improve business consultation and input at national and international levels to support *action*
- How to incent, capture and track voluntary business actions & investments – INDCs? LPAA+NAZCA? Or...?
- Link/balance with UN 2030 Development Agenda & SDGs and synergize with economic, trade agreements (WTO EGA, TPP, TTIP, G20, APEC, FfD, etc.)





Thank you

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