

Submission by the Republic of Lebanon
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Establishment of an Ad Hoc Working Group on the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action
Views by Parties and observer organizations on options and ways for further increasing the level of ambition.

Lebanon welcomes the opportunity to submit its views on options and ways to increase the level of ambition as requested by paragraph 8 of the decision 1/CP.17 while emphasizing the need for ADP to equally address mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology development and transfer, transparency of action, and support and capacity-building.

Means to increase the level of ambition:

- We reiterate the responsibility of Annex I Parties of the Convention to take the lead in pledging more ambitious emission reductions which are consistent with the 25-40% as recommended by the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report, in order to reduce the gap, and to be reassessed based on the outcomes and recommendations of the IPCC 5th AR. This could be accomplished by the further elaboration of national low emission development pathways.
- In parallel, developing countries are encouraged to move towards low emission pathways (LEDS) and therefore participate in reducing the gap based on common but differentiated responsibilities and equity. This dissemination will require the adequate financial and technical support including capacity building and technology transfer from developed countries.
- LEDS should be based on the life cycle thinking approach for both developed and developing countries.
- All relevant emissions must be included in the mitigation efforts, including maritime and aviation transport bearing in mind that all mitigation actions, policies and measures taken to combat climate change, shall not constitute a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination or a disguised restriction on international trade in line with the common but differentiated responsibilities of Parties and conducted in a globally consorted manner.
- Enhancing and widening the global carbon market and encouraging increased and equal participation will provide a strong incentive for cost-effective emission reductions, as well as dissemination of climate-friendly technologies.
- Both mitigation and adaptation should be dealt with in parallel and be given equal distribution. This consideration should entail technology, finance and capacity building in order to increase the resiliency of developing countries to the adverse impacts of climate change.