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High Level Human Rights Event: Promoting rights-based climate action for people and planet

When: Wednesday, 12 December 2018 from 18.00 – 19.30

Location: Pomorze Climate Action Room 1

This event aims to explore the role of existing human rights obligations in national and international action to address climate change in the context of the Paris Agreement implementation; and to highlight the human dimension of climate action. A number of States and other actors are already taking action to put these commitments into practice. The discussion will reflect upon concrete examples of how integrating rights in climate policies can help shape more effective long-term climate action that benefits all persons, particularly the most vulnerable. It will provide an opportunity to highlight human rights related outputs from COP24 and reflect on next steps for rights-based implementation of the Paris Agreement.

Opening remarks

- ❖ **Ms. Patricia Espinosa**, UNFCCC Executive Secretary
- ❖ **Mr. Slawomir Mazurek**, Deputy Minister of the Environment, Poland

Keynote

- ❖ **Ms. Michelle Bachelet**, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Panellists

- ❖ **H.E. Teresa Ribera**, Minister for the Ecological Transition, Spain
- ❖ **H.E. Carlos Manuel Rodriguez**, Minister of Environment, Costa Rica
- ❖ **H.E. David Paul**, Environment Minister, Republic of the Marshall Islands
- ❖ **Ms. Samantha Smith**, Director, Just Transition Center
- ❖ **Ms. Agnes Leina**, Executive Director, Illaramatak Community Concerns, Kenya