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Dear Participant,

**Asia Pacific Climate Week 2017
Bangkok, 13-15 December 2017**

It is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the **Asia Pacific Climate Week (APCW 2017)**, which will be convened by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) from 13 to 15 December at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. As the first major climate event in the Asia-Pacific region following the 23rd session of the Conference of the Parties (COP23) to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), APCW 2017 will provide an opportunity to take stock of the COP23 outcomes and what they mean for the region.

APCW 2017 is designed to advance regional climate action through the promotion of market-based actions, economic instruments and climate-aligned finance to achieve cost-effective mitigation and adaptation. The ultimate aim is to support implementation of countries' Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement, exploring the role of capital markets to finance the NDCs. APCW 2017 is co-organised by UNFCCC, ESCAP, United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Asian Development Bank, the International Emissions Trading Association, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies and the UNEP DTU Partnership.

The event will see the participation of ministers, senior policymakers, scholars, private sector practitioners, development partners and stakeholders from the Asia-Pacific region and beyond. The annotated tentative programme is attached for your reference

We hope that you can join us at Asia Pacific Climate Week events in Bangkok in December.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura Altinger', written over a circular stamp or seal.

Laura Altinger
Head of Climate Change
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