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## **Press Release**

## **European Union launches Climate Diplomacy Week in Indonesia**

From 26 to 30 November, the European Union (EU) together with EU Member States including France, Germany, Italy, Sweden and the United Kingdom, celebrate Climate Diplomacy Week.

Following the recent UN Climate Conference in Bonn (COP 23) and looking ahead to COP24 in Poland next year, the EU's Climate Diplomacy Week in Indonesia promotes climate change mitigation and adaptation. The objective of the Climate Diplomacy week is to communicate and unpack climate action with the Indonesian public, while stressing the links with other "Sustainable Development Goals" like green finance, renewable energy, sustainable land use, poverty eradication and clean transport, among key topics.

The Climate Diplomacy week will present a series of thematic events in Jakarta, including several conferences, but also celebrations, a movie-screening and a bike ride.

"With the various events organized during the Climate Diplomacy Week, the European Union and its Member States want to raise the awareness about climate change and celebrate the common determination to implement the historic Paris Agreement. Let's work together on the implementation of the 2050 vision of shared prosperity and carbon-neutrality, as enshrined in the Paris Agreement. Let's think where we want to be in 2040, in 2030, and let's benchmark all decisions of today through this prism of tomorrow" said the EU Ambassador Vincent Guérend

"Sweden is committed to combatting climate change and has embarked on a route to become one of the world's first fossil free nations. It's an honour for Sweden to take an active part in the EU Climate Diplomacy Week. We are also sharing our best practices and experiences through #GlocalClimateChallenge and #ClimaDiplo on social media," said the Swedish Ambassador Johanna Brismar Skoog.

"Further, Faster, Together – this was the parole of COP23 hosted in an excellent way by Fiji in Bonn, Germany. The spirit of the Paris' breakthrough lived on in an impressive manner during this conference. Now, it is most important to keep on being ambitious and to deliver results." said the German Ambassador, Michael Freiherr von Ungern-Sternberg

The EU and Member States assist Indonesia with a number of initiatives supporting climate change policies and practices by Indonesian government institutions and non-state actors. Chief among them is the fight against deforestation, including but not limited to the EU Forest Law Enforcement Governance and Trade (FLEGT) Partnership Agreement, whose first anniversary will be celebrated this month, illustrating the necessary collaboration between sustainable producers and

sustainable buyers. Climate Action goes all year on, beyond forest or energy, though. Did you know for instance that 10% of Indonesia's GHG emissions result from the unresolved waste management? The week after, the German Embassy invites Indonesian and ASEAN stakeholders to a conference on climate and environment action: managing marine plastic pollution.

More information on Climate Diplomacy Week and climate action is available at:



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