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UNFCCC negotiations

- Little progress (forests, technology transfer and financing)
- Key topics unsolved: mitigation
- Absence of common position

The way to Cancun

- From ambition to compromise
- Necessity to stick to the UN process
- Elements that must be reflected in a Cancun outcome
 - Continuation of the Kyoto Protocol,
 - Comparability of efforts
 - Legally-binding agreement
 - Clean technology
 - Adaptation fund

Strategy for transition countries

- Cooperation
- Bottom up approach
- Science based lobbying
- Involvement of civil society

Strategy for civil society

- Central Asian civil society to engage more actively in the UNFCCC process
- Engage more actively in the national policy making process
- Cooperate with other sectors
- "Translate" UNFCCC to national and local level and to media



Thank you!

