



2008 Activity Report

Summary

2008 has been an extremely important and active year for the ICC Commission on Environment and Energy. The development of international concerns on food, and energy prices as well as the continuing climate change challenge and the financial crisis made provided numerous opportunities for business and ICC engagement on a wide range of topics.

This need for increased policy guidance and activities was met by the ICC Commission through various activities including:

- Continued business and industry focal point activities for the UNFCCC Climate Change Negotiations - including co-organising with the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) the Poznan Business Day during COP 14
- Activities geared towards G8 Leaders Summit as well as other G8 Ministerial meetings
- Collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Coordination of broad business participation for UN Convention on Biological Diversity COP 9
- Launch of Business Action for Water with WBCSD and other partners towards the 5th World Water Forum in Istanbul
- Collaborative via the International Agri-Food Network at UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) 16 and preparatory work for CSD 17
- Fifth launch of the World Business and Development Awards (WBDA) - demonstrating business commitment to meeting the Millennium Development Goals

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1. UNCS&

ICC in cooperation with various partner business organizations provided business input into UN CSD 16 and began preparatory work for CSD 17.

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/id1465/index.html

Interventions:

- Business & Industry delegation introduction for multi-stakeholder session Tuesday, 6 May 2008, delivered by Kristen E. Sukalac, Head of Information and Communications, International Fertilizer Industry Association (IFA)
- BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY INTERVENTION – CSD, LATIN AMERICA THEMATIC SESSION, MAY 6, 2008
- BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY INTERVENTION -CSD, THEMATIC SESSION DESERTIFICATION, MAY 7, 2008

2. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

ICC provided business input at various UNFCCC conferences including at COP 14 in Poznan, Poland from 1-13 December

Poznan COP 14 Activities

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/unfccc/

Side events

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/unfccc/id25650/index.html

- Business Views on Sectoral Approaches, 4 December
- Technology Development and Deployment, 8 December
- Business Perspectives on a post 2012 framework agreement, 10 December
- Two “Introduction to UNFCCC: COP 101 sessions”

Interventions

Facilitated the delivery of various business and industry interventions including coordinating generally business intervention at High-Level Segment on 12 December (attached) Note all interventions will be posted on ICC website.

Poznan Business Day

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/unfccc/id19718/index.html

Together with the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) organized a successful Business Day during COP-14, attracting 150 Senior Business leaders and Senior



Government officials. A number of recommendations were generated from the meeting. ICC Secretary General Guy Sebban opened and closed the meeting and stressed the commitment of the business community to finding solutions to the climate change challenge. He stressed the need for enabling environments for technology development and deployment, specifically the need for open trade and intellectual property protection. Yvo de Boer, UNFCCC Executive Secretary summarised the messages that he had heard including business support for a strong carbon price signal, predictable policies and a long-term vision. (please see attached summary of business day)

Communications Activity

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/unfccc/id26192/index.html

- Two press conferences in Poznan by Chair of ICC Environment and Energy Commission Laurent Corbier and ICC Secretary General Guy Sebban respectively.
- Press interviews by a number of ICC delegation members
- Guy Sebban, Op-ed in Warsaw Business Journal
- Developed daily COP 14 media briefing for all business participants

Additional UNFCCC meetings in 2008

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/index.html?id=17512

Accra Climate Change Talks - AWG-LCA 3 and AWG-KP 6, 21-27 August, Accra, Ghana

- BINGO statement at AWG-LCA Plenary, 23 August 2008

Sessions of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies (SB28) - 2-13 June 2008, Bonn, Germany

- BINGO statement at closing AWG-LCA Plenary, 12 June 2008
- Side-Events
 - Role of Markets in a Post-2012 Framework - 9 June 2008
 - Trade and Climate Change - 9 June 2008
 - Business Views on Sectoral Approaches - 6 June 2008

United Nations Climate Change Talks - 31 March - 4 April 2008, Bangkok

- Business Statement for opening session
- ICC Perspectives on Sectoral Approaches, AWG Workshop Possible Approaches Targeting Sectoral Emissions - Presentation by Dr. Brian P. Flannery, Vice-Chair ICC Environment & Energy Commission, 2 April 2008



3. Activities for the G8 Meetings

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/id17636/index.html

ICC delivered a statement on behalf of world business to the Heads of State and Government attending the G8 Summit in Japan as well as a two letters on behalf of world business to: a) Environment Ministers attending the G8 Environment Ministers and b) Energy Ministers attending the G8 Energy Ministers Meeting.

4. Business and Industry focal point for the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

ICC undertook several activities in its ongoing and long-standing relationship with UNEP including leading a business delegation in UNEP Global Civil Society Forum and Governing Council meetings in Monaco 19-22 February as well as hosting the UNEP-Business Global Dialogue meeting in Paris. More details below:

- ICC Monaco hosted a welcome dinner for the business delegation on 18 February
- Several interventions during the Global Civil Society Forum
- ICC represented business at a Ministerial Roundtable meetings on the topic of Mobilising Finance for Climate Change
- ICC Intervention/Communiqué
- Co-organised the UNEP- Business Global Dialogue meeting (23-24 October) focused on sustainable consumption and production as well as climate change.
www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/id24482/index.html

5. Coordinated business participation for UN Convention on Biological Diversity

The ICC Task Force on the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) – a joint task force since 2008 between ICC's Energy and Environment Commission and its Intellectual Property Commission - organized its actions to focus attention on aspects of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity (UNCBD) with the broadest potential for private sector impact. The task force provided business input in the 9th Conference of the Parties meeting to the UN CBD in 2008 through:

- **Interventions**
 - Opening plenary session, Annik Dollacker, Co-Chair ICC Task Force on CBD
 - High Level Ministerial Segment, Annik Dollacker, Co-Chair ICC Task Force on CBD
 - Further ICC interventions on :



- Business engagement, Michael D. Hauser Co-Chair ICC Task Force on CBD
- Technology transfer, Susan K. Finston
- Ecosystem approach, Annik Dollacker, Co-Chair ICC Task Force on CBD
- Access and benefit sharing, Michael D. Hauser, Co-Chair ICC Task Force on CBD

➤ Side Events

- Real World Experience in ABS from Sarawak, Malaysia hosted by ICC and the Access and Benefit Sharing Alliance (ABSA) and Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO)
- Celebrating International Biodiversity Day : "Sustainable Agriculture" contributions by the private sector integrating biodiversity conservation into agricultural production

6. ICC Commission meetings

ICC held two Commission meetings in Paris. Please follow this link for further information www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/id25502/index.html

 18-19 March 2009

 21-22 October 2009

7. World Business and Development Awards (WBDA)

Established by the International Chamber of Commerce in 2000, the biennial World Business and Development Awards (WBDA) are the first worldwide business awards to recognize the crucial role of the private sector, large and small, in implementing the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The United Nations has devoted the year 2008 to building a renewed momentum around the MDGs, including special emphasis on the role of business in development through the Business Call to Action. The 2008 World Business and Development Awards was one of the central events this year that recognizes the key contributions of the private sector to development.

This year the World Business and Development Awards received a record number of 104 entries from 44 countries. The organizers and the International Judging Panel are impressed by the overall high quality of projects submitted and it was a great challenge to select only 10 winners. The winning companies were honoured during the Awards ceremony in New York City on September 24. The ceremony was held under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and His Excellency President Abdoulaye Wade of Senegal.



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2008 Award winning companies

- 3K&A
- DIAGEO
- ENDESA
- HAYGROVE
- OLAM NIGERIA
- SAFARICOM M-PESA
- SISTEMA SER
- SMART COMMUNICATIONS
- SYNGENTA
- ZMQ SOFTWARE SYSTEMS



8. Business Action for Water

ICC was granted one of two (with WBCSD) business and industry focal point roles for the 5th World Water Forum in Istanbul, March 2009. Initially developed and rolled-out for the UN Commission on Sustainable Development (UN CSD) in 2004 and 2005, a “renewed” Business Action for Water (BAW) aims to be the platform to facilitate business input into the Forum. ICC has started the ICC Task Force on Water to coordinate views into BAW.

www.iccwbo.org/policy/environment/id26150/index.html

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