Dear Colleagues,

We would like to bring to your kind attention the first webinar in the webinar series organized by the African Energy Commission (AFREC) of the African Union, the South Centre, and the Clean Energy Innovation Partnership (CEIP), “Powering Africa after Covid-19: Options for Energy”.

Webinar 1
“Carbon Trading: Panacea or Placebo for Africa’s Energy and Climate Policies?”

Thursday, 08 October 2020
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Note: To participate in the Zoom webinar, please register under this link (https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_JynC7D-dS_Skl1fd8_Y5Kg). Webinar access details will be provided after registration has been confirmed. For those not able to connect with Zoom, the webinar will also be livestreamed on YouTube under the following link (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEFBDcX9RbRwRDpojVz). YouTube viewers can send their questions directly to info.ceipartnership@gmail.com.

Building on the first webinar series that took place in July 2020, this next series will focus on identifying the various energy and development options that are present for African policymakers, drawing on the policy and technical expertise of African and international experts and policymakers.

The first webinar “Carbon Trading: Panacea or Placebo for Africa’s Energy and Climate Policies?” will investigate various perspectives about the potential use of carbon pricing and carbon trading mechanisms in Africa as part of its energy, climate and development policy mix. Experts from Africa and around the world will be invited to look into the challenges and opportunities that carbon pricing and carbon trading policies may have for Africa, drawing on previous experiences with respect to REDD+, the Kyoto Protocol’s Clean Development Mechanism, and other experiences, and on on-going policy discussions with respect to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. Invited speakers for this webinar will be from the African Development Bank, African climate change policy implementors and civil society, and European and Chinese experts in their respective carbon trading regimes.

We are delighted to have the following speakers in the first webinar:

- **Mr. ADOW Mohamed**, Director of Power Shift Africa
- **Mr. DIAGNE El Hadji Mbaye**, Director General, African Group of Negotiators Art. 6 coordinator
- **Prof. DUAN Maosheng**, Professor of Tsinghua University, Director of China Carbon Market Center (CCMC) and Member of the Chinese Climate Delegation
- **PHILLIPS Gareth**, Division Manager, Climate and Environment Finance (PECG1) African Development Bank Group

**Moderators:**
- **Prof Youba Sokona**, Senior Adviser on Climate Change and Sustainable Development, South Centre; Vice-Chair, IPCC
- **Dmitry Kalinin**, Partner, Clean Energy Innovations Partnership, Switzerland

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