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# **Actions For Climate Change Through Global Sectoral Approaches**

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# EU Climate Policy

## **EU Domestic Commitments**

- The EU energy and climate package sets out ambitious goals for the EU
  - 20% GHG target
  - 20% renewables target
  - 20% energy efficient target
- These autonomous goals will enable the EU to lead on both climate change mitigation while maintaining economic growth towards low carbon economy

## **International Dimensions**

- The EU is willing to lead and create incentives for rest of the world to take action on climate change
- It firmly recognises that world wide business is part of the solution



## Global sectoral agreements

- The Commission believes that there is a lot of promise in work being done on Global Sectoral Agreements, provided such agreements can deliver on 2 objectives
  - Demonstrate additionality in addressing climate change
  - Lead to a level playing field for sectors concerned
- It recognises that there are challenges
  - Engaging both governments and business in emerging economies
  - Developing, implementing and ensuring reliable monitoring and reporting mechanisms
  - Defining the role of public authorities



## Role of Public Authorities

- **Need to create confidence, through**
  - Adding clarity to discussion, i.e. defining sectoral approaches
  - Ensuring effective monitoring and reporting
  - Aiming at ambitious benchmarks
  - Developing incentives for business to act
  - Providing consistency between global sectoral approaches and national or regional measures to mitigate climate change

## Planned actions

- **Sectoral Approaches are currently being discussed by HLG on Competitiveness, Energy and Environment**
  - This will lead to recommendations for action
  - Followed up by HLG conference towards a low carbon economy
  - Commission will organise a side event at Bali on Sectoral Approaches
- **Sustainable industrial policy- to be launched early next year**
  - One of the goals- Development of *Global markets*: exploiting first mover advantages and levelling the playing field for industry worldwide
  - Planned project to progress sectoral approaches through pilot project(s) in particular addressing issues such as capacity building in emerging economies