



A transformation that leaves no one behind.

G20 Osaka summit: the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Climate Agreement must remain a priority for the G20

Ad hoc briefing note of the Foundations Platform F20 – five action points to the G20 heads of state on the current G20 negotiations

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The Foundations Platform F20, an international group of more than 50 foundations and philanthropic organisations from G20 countries, calls upon the G20 to include the clear support for the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda and the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement as the major reference for the outcome communiqué of the G20 Osaka summit this week. The following five action points should be taken into account by the G20 countries:

1. The level of ambition of climate action as agreed at previous G20 summits in Hamburg (2017) and Buenos Aires (2018) must remain as the bottom line! Any weakening or downplaying of the urgency to act on the global climate crisis is unacceptable.
2. Those countries that remain committed to the Paris Agreement and the UN 2030 Agenda including China, the European Union as well as India and Canada should prepare a joint statement that any G20 outcome without strong climate language would be unacceptable. Turkey, Russia, Brazil and Saudi Arabia should be encouraged to also sign. 19+1 should be the envisaged outcome.
3. It is preferable to rather have no outcome at all on climate change than one referring to a further use of fossil fuels. In that sense, a reference to the Energy Ministerial Meeting in the Leaders Communiqué should be prevented.
4. The 2030 Agenda with the SDGs should play a prominent role in the Leaders' Communiqué, and should set the framework for climate and energy.
5. The strategy for G7 needs to be revised in the light of the G20 outcome.

Further rationale to the above mentioned action points: On (1): no backtracking is the minimum outcome, yet is still not enough. On (2): be more precise about how to create the 19+1 dynamic. On (3): make explicit that positive fossil fuel reference needs to be prevented. On (4): 2030 Agenda and the SDGs need a stronger role. On (5): It is not certain that France would follow the G20 dynamic – France might also decide to react to a weak G20 outcome with a strong push for climate in the G7 (G6+1).

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