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Side Event – Data to Drive Sustainable Cooling For All

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Organized by: United Nations Environment Programme, UNEP-led Cool Coalition, Sustainable Energy for All

Location: Montreal Protocol Pavilion, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Time: 12:00 - 13:00 (GMT: +04:00)

Duration: 60 minutes

Description:

Cooling is one of the critical challenges in today's climate debate, significantly contributing to global warming. If left unchecked, emissions from cooling are projected to double by 2030 and triple by 2050 due to factors like heat waves, population growth, urbanisation, and a growing middle class. In order to maximise the benefits of cooling while minimising its climatic impact, the need for data to understand where we are- and where we need to get to - is a critical ask.

Convened by the United Nations Environment Programme, UNEP-led Cool Coalition, and Sustainable Energy for All, this side event aims to highlight the need for data - and gaps therein - that are critical to transition towards sustainable cooling. It will focus on showcasing tools and methods for tracking and improving the implementation of cooling targets. The event will also discuss ways to enhance capacity building at the national and subnational levels to bridge data gaps.

Participants will have the opportunity to share perspectives on data-driven solutions for sustainable cooling. The side event will also showcase current data collection processes and datasets being used to address the cooling challenge effectively.

Objectives:

- Goal 1: Setting the context of the importance of cooling in a warming world
- Goal 2: Highlighting the available data sets and gaps that need to be filled
- **Goal 3**: Opportunities to create greater capacity domestically to support the transition to sustainable cooling for all

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Agenda:

MC: Ms. Shikha Bhasin, Senior Advisor, Cool Coalition, UNEP

Agenda item	Speakers	Timing
Welcome and opening Remarks	Ms. Shikha Bhasin , Senior Advisor, Cool Coalition, UNEP	5 minutes
Panel Discussion	Ms. Dorthea Damkjær , International Senior Advisor, CONCITO	40 minutes
Moderated by Ms. Shikha Bhasin , Senior Advisor, Cool Coalition, UNEP	Mr. Bishal Thapa , India Director, CLASP	
	Ms. Amanda Maxwell, Managing Director, International Program, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)	
Q&A (if time allows)		10 minutes
Wrap Up & Closing Remarks	Mr. Brian Dean , Director, Energy Transition, SEforALL	5 minutes