

The discussant from Botswana underlined the need for appropriate cost-effective technologies which could be adapted to local conditions. He emphasised that the technology introduced must be accompanied by adequate technical support in order to be understood, accepted and welcomed. The social effects need also to be carefully addressed.

The UNIDO discussant addressed the sustainable reduction of industrial emissions which must maintain a competitive economy and recognize the implications on employment. In this regard, he stressed the importance of a supportive national policy framework.

Let me conclude, Mr Chairman, by making a few observations. First the complexity of the issue warrants further discussion. Second, it may be noted that further information from Annex II Parties will be included in the second national communications and, at the request of the COP, the secretariat has been asked to compile the information and produce a report to be submitted to the seventh session of the SBSTA. Last, the workshop provided a useful exchange of information; and I advise those delegates who were not in a position to participate to carefully study the report on this workshop, which will be made available by the secretariat next week.

Thank you Mr Chairman.

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