**COP 24 Side Event**

Raising ambition: Long term scenarios for the energy sector in Argentina and South Africa.

**Saturday, December 08,** **2018**, **14:00 to 15:00; German Pavilion**

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The long-term goals of the Paris Agreement require unprecedented sector transformation. A series of regular surveys with policy makers reveals that few countries have been focussing on how to raise ambition of their NDC for the next submission cycle in 2020. Such findings illustrate the need for analysis and awareness raising among Parties to enable them to increase their ambition around mitigating climate change.

In this context, the session aims to present insights from research on the opportunities that exist for countries to transform their energy sectors. This research is used to set the scene for a discussion around the merits and challenges of such research in the context of national policy making. The event will focus on two countries: Argentina and South Africa.

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| 14:05 – 14:20 | **Long term energy scenarios in Argentina**  *Mariela Beljansky*[*Plataforma Escenarios Argentina*](http://www.escenariosenergeticos.org/publicaciones/)   * Presentation of results from the scenario initiative   *Frauke Roeser*   * Paris compatibility of scenarios in Argentina |
| 14:20 – 14:35 | **Energy sector ambition in South Africa**  *Niklas Höhne* [*NewClimate Institute*](https://newclimate.org/)   * Climate Action Tracker analysis on scaling up ambition in South Africa   *Respondent: Andrew Marquard, ERC South Africa* |
| 14:35 – 14:45 | **Advancing deep decarbonisation pathways in emerging economies**  *Marta Torres Gunfaus,* [*IDDRI*](https://www.iddri.org/fr) |
| 14:45 – 15:00 | ***Panel discussion with Q&A***   * *Mariela Beljansky, Plataforma Escenarios Argentina* * *Andrew Marquard, ERC South Africa* * *Marta Torres Gunfaus, IDDRI* * *Niklas Höhne, NewClimate Institute* |