



nus STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

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COP 21 and International Student Collaboration

Who we have in the room



Outline



- An introduction to COP21
- Q&A with our experts
- World cafe of different themes:
 - Mobilising students pre-COP21 action planning
 - Local level action planning
 - Post COP21 action planning
 - NUS central support for COP21 activity
- Summaries
- Next steps
- Action

Why climate negotiations?

The IPCC's results are clear :

- Global warming is human-induced
- Its impacts are mounting
- A global phenomenon requires a global agreement

What's happened so far?



- Rio Summit (1992): where it all started
- Kyoto Summit (1997): the first (and yet flawed) binding agreement
- Copenhagen summit (2009): the last big failure

What are the main issues discussed?



Mitigation

Adaptation

Reporting

Financing

Loss &
damages

Responsibility

What's the situation after Lima (COP20)?



- Consensus reached at the cost of clarity: a vague and flexible text
- Mitigation and adaptation on the same level
- The principle common but differentiated responsibilities was reasserted
- Many questions remain unanswered: financing, reporting, pre-2020 action

What to expect from Paris



- INDCs calendar not fully revealed yet, but there is still much to do
- No reason to wait for a global agreement to start acting locally
- Our leaders will make it important if YOU make it important



Things to think about:

- How can we overcome these potential challenges?
- What connections can we make today to help?
- Who do you need to challenge?



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1. Mobilising students and action planning before COP21
 2. Local level action planning
 3. What we do after COP21
 4. NUS central support for COP21 activity

Summary and what next



1. SOS... coming soon
2. COP in your City
3. WARN
4. Local action
5. NUS support