

## PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES INFORMATION SHEET

### Name of the Partnership/Initiative

The Johannesburg Climate Legacy

**Expected date of initiation: 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2002**

**Expected date of completion: August 2007**

### Partners Involved:

Governments: South African Government - Department for Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT) Department of Agriculture Conservation and Lands (DACEL), Gauteng Provincial Government

Intergovernmental organizations:  
UNDP and GEF

Major groups:

International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN); World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD); Business Action for Sustainable Development (BASD)

Other:

International Institute for Energy Conservation (IIEC); Future Forests, Climate Neutral Network; Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)

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### Main objectives of the Partnership/Initiative

Please provide a brief description:

The JCL is a flagship project of the Greening the Summit process, which is being managed by IUCN in South Africa. The Johannesburg Climate Legacy (JCL) will measure the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the Summit (from aircraft flights to electricity used at the event itself), and then offset them by investing in carbon-reducing, sustainable projects across South Africa, (e.g. solar power, energy efficiency initiatives etc.)

Please also provide a brief description of the relationship of the Partnership/Initiative with the objectives of Agenda 21 as well as relevant goals and objectives of the United Nation Millennium Declaration:

### Agenda 21

The JCL project will make a significant contribution to the 4 key elements of Agenda 21 :

**Social & Economic Dimensions** – Combat poverty by providing additional sources of employment for local communities involved in implementing and managing the offset projects. Improve human health through the implementation of renewable energy projects, reducing reliance on unhealthy & unsustainable fuels such as biomass and charcoal.

**Conservation and Management of Resources for Development** : Protecting the atmosphere by reducing reliance on fossil fuels that cause pollution and contribute to global warming. Slow deforestation and hence reduce the risk of desertification through the implementation of fuel switching / renewable energy projects.

**Strengthening the Role of Major Groups** : The JCL is a partnership between government, business, local and international NGO's, labour organisations and academics. The project therefore inherently promotes a number of major groups. The offset projects will also help women and children by providing improved access to education (e.g. by reducing the time spent collecting wood for fuel and extending the time available for schooling by providing reliable power supplies to schools.

**Means of Implementation** : The project will be funded by business, governments and individuals. At least 80% of the project budget will go directly to the offset projects. The remaining 20% will be used to build local capacity in technical skills such as climate mitigation project certification, and to run an educational / awareness-raising campaign.

The project also supports many of the objectives of the UN Millenium Declaration :

**Development and Poverty Eradication** : All offset projects will be evaluated on their sustainable development benefits as well as their climate impacts.

**Protecting the Environment** : By definition the offset projects will help protect the environment in that they will offset the global warming impact of the WSSD's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and reduce South Africa's dependence on fossil fuels.

**Human Rights, Democracy and Good Governance** : The JCL is run by a multi stakeholder governing body, which allows all parts of South African society to participate in the decision making process in an open and transparent manner. The project account will be run by the Development Bank of Southern Africa and subject to independent audit.

**Protecting the Vulnerable** : Offset projects will be will all promote the sustainable development and interests of marginalised communities and vulnerable groups such as the rural poor, women and young people.

**Meeting the Special Needs of Africa** : All offset projects will be located in South Africa.

**Expected results:**

Please provide a brief description:

The Project will raise \$5,000,000, at least 80% of which will be invested in development projects in South Africa. These projects will contribute to the 3 pillars of sustainable development and also produce CO<sub>2</sub> reductions that will be used to offset the emissions associated with the World Summit on Sustainable Development.

**Specific targets of the Partnership/Initiative and timeframe for their achievement:**

Offsetting 500,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through the funding of approximately 15 climate mitigation projects that meet the highest standards of sustainable development. All the projects will be up and running a maximum of 1 year after the WSSD and the Carbon benefits will be delivered within 5 years of project start-up. Local capacity development, knowledge and technology transfer, education and awareness of the issue of climate change are also important goals of the project. Most of these goals will be achieved within 1 year of the WSSD

**Coordination and Implementation mechanism**

Please provide a brief description of expected coordination/implementation mechanism of the

Partnership/Initiative.

**Please see attached documents**

**Arrangements for funding**

Please describe available and/or expected sources of funding for the implementation of the Partnership/Initiative (e.g. donor government(s); international organization(s)/financial institution(s); foundation(s); private sector; other major groups, etc.)

This budget will be raised from 3 key sources :

- Corporate Funders
- Overseas Development Agencies and other governmental institutions
- Individuals (both delegates to the Summit and other concerned citizens)

**Arrangements for capacity building and technology transfer**

Please include information if the Partnership/Initiative provides for training, informational support, institutional strengthening and/or other capacity building measures:

- Training of Project developers
- Through a partnership with the Climate Neutral Network, training of a local organisation to perform the certification of climate mitigation projects
- Development of voluntary emission reduction plans
- Dissemination of information via a website ([www.climatelegacy.org](http://www.climatelegacy.org))
- Workshops
- An extensive worldwide communication and marketing campaign.

Please also provide here a brief description of expected arrangements for technology transfer (if applicable).

**Links of Partnership/Initiative with on-going sustainable development activities at the international and/or regional level (if any)**

Please provide a brief description:

For detailed information, see attached documentation, however to summarise :

- At grass roots level, many of the offset project developers will be linked to sustainable development activities at the local and international level – this will encourage the transfer of best practice both to and from the projects.
- By virtue of being “Legacy Projects”, all offset projects will be linked together and be linked to the SD activities of the WBCSD, GEF and UNDP on an ongoing basis.

**Monitoring Arrangements**

Please describe expected arrangements for monitoring of progress in the implementation of Partnerships/Initiative after it will be launched at the WSSD:

(e.g. frequency/modalities of preparation of progress reports; electronic updates, news-letters, etc)

The Project will be monitored and verified by IIEC, and CNN for a five year period. This

information and progress will be reported via the website and electronic mailing lists and also through a 6 monthly newsletter

**Other relevant information:**

Web-site (if available): [www.climatelegacy.org](http://www.climatelegacy.org)

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