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Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great honour for me to be able to welcome you at the **24th session of COP24 Conference** of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC COP24) in Katowice. This place was not a random choice. Just 25 years ago smokestacks were dominating the city. Today, the capital of Silesia is famous for its cultural zone, numerous innovations in many areas of life and new technologies. And from the fact that it is one of the greenest cities in Poland, where forests constitute almost half of the area. I am convinced that the context of the location fits perfectly into the idea of the event. For the transformation in recent years shows how much this region has done to improve the climate.

COP24 in terms of the number of tasks to be completed and decisions to be taken, seems to be one of the most demanding and ambitious summits. I believe that thanks to the involvement of all the Parties, in an atmosphere of openness, trust and readiness for dialogue, we will be able to create a “Katowice Rulebook”, which will contain detailed operating rules of the Paris Agreement. I know that I can count on you because we have one goal – to reach an agreement acceptable to each Party. In accordance with this year’s COP - “Changing together” motto, we jointly decide to make changes. It is up to us how our future will look like. Together we can do more!

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I wish you, for the next two weeks, to feel here - in Katowice - like at home. And so that you can find here a good place to work, like-minded people, and maybe even friends. I believe that despite the hard work full of sacrifices, you will remember the time spent here with satisfaction and joy. I hope that Katowice and its great transformation will be an inspiration for the decisions made during COP24.

Looking forward to see at the conference!

Michał Kurtyka



Pre-sessional period (26 November – 1 December)

26–27 Nov	28–29 Nov	30 Nov – 1 Dec
Least developed countries (LDCs) preparatory meetings	African Group preparatory meetings Small island developing States (SIDS) preparatory meetings	G-77 & China preparatory meetings

Sessional period (2–14 December) **

Week 1 (2–8 December)	TIME	Plenary meetings and meetings of groups of the Convention and Protocol bodies	Events and workshops (Time TBC)	GCA (Time TBC)
Sunday, 2 Dec	10:00–13:00	First plenary meetings of the COP and CMP and resumption of the CMA		
	Lunch			
	15:00–18:00	First plenary meetings of the SBSTA, SBI and resumption of the APA		
Monday, 3 Dec	10:00–13:00	Official opening ceremony	Koronivia Workshop	
		First part of the high-level segment (national statements)	Review of the work of the improved forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures	
			Multilateral assessment	
	Lunch	First part of the joint COP, CMP, CMA, SBSTA, SBI and APA plenary for statements		
	15:00–18:00	High-level segment (national statements)	Koronivia Workshop	
			Review of the work of the improved forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures	
Evening	Second part of the joint COP, CMP, CMA, SBSTA, SBI and APA plenary for statements			
Tuesday, 4 Dec	10:00–13:00		Global Climate Action High-Level Event (10:00–11:30)	
	Lunch			
	15:00–18:00			SBSTA-IPCC special event: Unpacking the new scientific knowledge and key findings in the IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C (15:00–18:00)
Evening	Host country reception for delegates by the President of Katowice Marcin Krupa			
Wednesday, 5 Dec	10:00–13:00		Pre-2020 stocktake: technical part	
	Lunch			
	15:00–18:00			
Evening	Nairobi work programme Focal Point Forum: Economic Diversification (18:30–21:00)			
Thursday, 6 Dec	10:00–13:00		Young and Future Generations Day	
	Lunch		Talanoa Dialogue: wrap-up meeting of the preparatory phase (10:00–12:00)	
			Intergenerational Inquiry (13:00–14:30)	
15:00–18:00		Yearbook (16:30–18:00)		
Friday, 7 Dec	10:00–13:00		Facilitative sharing of views	
			Action Event on Human Settlements	
			Action Event on Industry	
	Lunch			
	15:00–18:00		Multilateral assessment	
			Action Event on Transport	
		Action Event on Water		
Saturday, 8 Dec	10:00–13:00	Closing plenaries of the SBSTA, SBI and APA	Action Event on Oceans & Coastal Zones	
			Action Event on Energy	
	Lunch			
	15:00–18:00	Closing plenaries of the SBSTA, SBI and APA	Roundtable on SDG 12 and Climate (15:00–16:30)	
			Action Event on Land Use	
Evening	Informal Plenary meeting of the COP, (Upon conclusion of the SBs and APA closing plenaries)			

* GCA events are marked in blue font.

** For meetings of groups of the Convention, Kyoto Protocol and Paris Agreement bodies please consult the Daily Programme and CCTV.

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Week 2 (10–14 December)	TIME	Plenary meetings and meetings of groups of the Convention and Protocol bodies	Events and workshops (Time TBC)	GCA (Time TBC)	
Monday, 10 Dec	10:00-13:00		Pre-2020 stocktake: high-level part		
			Roundtable on SDG 8 and Climate (11:30–13:00)		
			Fashion Industry Charter for Climate Action (13:15–14:45)		
	Lunch		Roundtable on Resilience and Climate Action		
15:00-18:00			3rd High Level Ministerial Dialogue on Climate Finance		
			Roundtable on Land Use, Water and Energy (15:00-16:30)		
			Roundtable on Oceans & Coastal Zones and Transport (16:30-18:00)		
Tuesday, 11 Dec	10:00-13:00		Gender Day		
			Talanoa Dialogue: opening meeting of the political phase (9:00-10:30)		
			Talanoa Dialogue: high-level ministerial round tables (10:45-15:00)		
			Sports for Climate Action (11:30-13:00)		
	Lunch				
	15:00-18:00	Second part of the high-level segment (national statements)		Climate Action in Tourism (15:00-16:30)	
				Roundtable on SDG 9 and Climate (15:00–16:30)	
Marrakech Partnership Closing (17:00-18:00)					
			Momentum for Change Award Ceremony (18:00-20:00)		
Lunch					
15:00-18:00	Closing plenaries of the COP and CMA (PAWP)				
Wednesday, 12 Dec	10:00-13:00	High-level segment (national statements)			
	Lunch				
	15:00-18:00	Closing plenaries of COP and CMP (non-PAWP agenda items)	Momentum for Change Planetary Health: Food systems (13:15–14:45) Talanoa Dialogue: closing meeting of the political phase (16:00-18:00)		
Thursday, 13 Dec	10:00-13:00		Education Day		
			High-level education event (13:00-14:30)		
	Lunch				
15:00-18:00					
Friday, 14 Dec	10:00-13:00				
	Lunch				
	15:00-18:00	Closing plenaries of the COP and CMA (PAWP)			