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We understand that many member states are hesitant of having a SDG goal on climate protection.

However, we are concerned, that if climate change is only addressed as a cross cutting issue, it will not get the needed priority attention it needs

Science shows that climate action that will put the world at 2° degrees is no longer enough to avert impacts of climate change.

Advancements in all other goal areas can be wiped out immediately if we do not address climate change!!!

We therefore MUST ASSURE a strong priority for ambitious climate change targets in all goal areas of the SDGs.

I have many recommendations, but as I only have 1 min left, I want to highlight this recommendation

1. Climate change and energy related goals should explicitly exclude inefficient approaches to climate change mitigation that have proven to be inequitable, ineffective, dangerous and otherwise unsustainable. Also fiscal measures like carbon trading, and carbon tax, large-scale bioenergy production, large dams, forest carbon offsets, geo-engineering and nuclear energy cannot be applied without a clear understanding of if their overall social, economic and ecological impacts, and if there is any doubt, long-agreed Agenda 21 principles including the precautionary principle must apply.

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