

## Mexico: Official Cooperation Agreement Signed in Mexico

The Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources and the Ministry of Energy (SEMARNAT and SENER) of the United Mexican States and the Government of Denmark recently signed an official cooperation agreement on implementation of a new climate change mitigation and energy programme.



Picutre of Mexico's Minister for Energy Pedro Joaquin Coldwell and Denmark's ambassador to Mexico Susanne Rumohr Hækkerup taken at the signature ceremony on June 26. The agreement was later signed by Mexico's Minister for Environment and Natural Resources Juan José Guerra Abud on July 7.

The <u>Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Programme</u> has a budget of 8 million USD and runs from 2014-2017. The overall objective is to support Mexico to consolidate its pathway to a low-emission future and be on track to realizing its ambitious goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 30% below the Business as Usual baseline in 2020 and generating 35% of its electricity from clean energy sources by 2024.

The programme will focus on improving energy efficiency and increasing the use of renewable energy and will bring Danish know-how and technology to both public and private partners in Mexico. It will support Mexico's own strategies and action plans by sharing experiences, deploying experts, inviting study groups as well as carrying out training and demonstration activities. Finally, the programme will be based on a close cooperation between the Danish and Mexican governments.

The climate component will comprise assistance in evaluation of Mexico's climate policies, tracking emissions, assessing co-benefits and developing concrete initiatives for mitigating climate change. These initiatives include amongst others improved framework conditions for innovation and use of low emission technologies to promote green development.

The energy component will increase Mexico's knowledge and capacity in clean energy by building on Denmark's extensive experiences with integrating renewable energy in the energy system, especially using wind energy but also biomass and biogas. Energy efficiency is a cheap and effective way to reduce emissions. Here the programme will aim at saving energy by supporting Mexico in developing and implementing energy efficiency policies and management systems in buildings and selected industries.

Read more about the programme and find the programme document here



## Programme Document

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