Meeting of the Marrakech Task Force leaders and experts Helsinki, Finland 8 – 9 September 2009

NOTES FROM THE MEETING

A meeting of all Marrakech Task Force (TF) leaders and representatives of the Marrakech Process (MP) secretariats took place in Helsinki. It was hosted by the Ministry of the Environment of Finland and the Finnish-led TF on Sustainable Buildings and Construction, in its capacity as one of the two TF representatives in the Advisory Committee (AC) of the MP. The informal discussions focused on two documents: the recently published 3rd draft of the 10YFP and a roadmap towards CSD18 and 19, where Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) will be on the agenda, both as a topic of its own and as a cross-cutting issue.

The TF leaders dealt also with a number of practical issues, among them a possible rotation of the Task Force representation in the AC. However, they did not find the timing opportune for a change, which means that Italy and Finland will continue sharing this coordinating task.

The TF leaders and experts closed the two-day meeting with a sense of a common goal and a shared vision, eager to continue cooperation.

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