CAN salutes the global political will that has led to the Paris Agreement entering into force so quickly this year. But now more than ever, we cannot rest on our laurels. Vulnerable communities all over the world are already suffering from devastating impacts of climate change. We have no time to wait.

We welcome the decision from Parties to complete the rulebook for the Agreement by 2018. Countries must come to the next round of negotiations fully prepared to engage in substantive discussions to develop a robust framework to implement the Agreement. Enhancing climate finance is vital, in particular for adaptation. Parties must agree to a robust methodology for what is counted as climate finance against the US$100 billion commitment.

There have been promising initiatives here in Marrakech, such as the Climate Vulnerability Forum’s pledge for 100% renewable energy, eliminating harmful subsidies and revising NDCs before 2020, the Africa Renewable Energy Initiative, the International Solar Alliance and last but not least the 2050 Pathway Platform. We urge countries to seize these initiatives and urgently raise ambition, accelerate action and collaborate with all stakeholders.

Civil society has a critical role to play in developing the modalities of the Paris Agreement and we urge Parties to ensure that civil society can strengthen ambition, provide expertise and contribute to public accountability.

Thank you.