Thank you for the opportunity to provide a written statement in advance of SBSTA 45.

Developments since COP21 underscore the fundamental importance of ensuring environmental integrity in carbon markets. SBSTA must work to avoid double-counting in carbon offset and cap-and-trade systems, particularly in light of the climate responses recently decided by ICAO.

SBSTA must place human rights at the centre of the entire process of developing flexibility mechanisms in line with Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, while using the process to drive a rapid increase in ambition in carbon reduction targets.

With sufficient input now in hand from Parties and civil society organizations, SBSTA must complete a solid first draft of the Technology Framework by the end of this COP, aiming for its adoption at COP 23 and immediate implementation thereafter.

CAN also calls on COP 22 to establish a joint SBSTA/SBI Work Programme on Climate and Food Security to further recent subsidiary body work on agriculture. Agriculture is a source of livelihood, income, and identity for more than three billion people. It is the essential foundation of nutrition, health, food security as well as ecosystems services conserving biodiversity and water resources, thus deserving Parties’ special consideration and holistic action.

The Work Programme should enhance understanding of climate impacts on food production and producers on different populations and both genders, while examining what constitutes sustainable consumption in the context of both climate change and food and nutritional security.