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# International Business Green Economies Dialogue (GED)

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#### **Green Economies Dialogues: Objectives**

- Create a pro-active forum to engage governments, business and thought leaders in the lead up to Rio+20
- Improve awareness and understanding of business views, experience and suggestions for promoting a greener economy, green growth, technologies and jobs... especially through international actions
- Encourage approaches that work to stimulate economic growth while greening activities and outcomes





#### **Green Economies Dialogues Overview**

 Green Dialogue Meetings: (Hosted by national associations, reflecting national circumstances, priorities)

Washington (USCIB/RFF, October 11-12, 2011)
Paris (BIAC/OECD November 14, 2011)
Beijing (March 21, 2012)
Tokyo (Keidanren, April 4, 2012)
Brasilia (CNI, April 16, 2012)
Events at US, Japan Pavilions at Rio +20

- Green Perspective Papers: Academic, peer-reviewed papers providing perspectives on Green Growth (to be published *Energy Economics*, 2012)
- Future activities: Stock taking Fall 2012 Q1 2013 and consideration of whether/how to continue





### **Green Economies Dialogues: Themes**

#### Green Economy and...

- Jobs
- Development
- Innovation
- Investment
- Energy
- Trade
- Metrics and indicators

Similar themes, different dialogues in each country





#### **Observations from the Dialogues**

- Greening is a process, not an outcome, understanding and challenges evolve over time
- Effective policies must align with national priorities and circumstances, and function effectively in globalized markets
- Green economy policies to mobilize sustained business effort require sound enabling frameworks that promote investment and innovation and account for "green" externalities
- Greening requires economic growth; skepticism that all green proposals inevitably induce growth
- Progress must involve the entire economy including all sectors and across supply and value chains
- Business will be the primary source of innovation and global deployment of advanced technology, finance, and know-how to address challenges
- Need for enhanced business engagement in international policy debate





#### **Thank You**



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