



## STATEMENT ON THE PHILIPPINES' BILATERAL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

The Climate Change Commission (CCC) met with incoming 28<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties (COP28) Presidency in Bonn, Germany to further discuss areas of cooperation towards advancing and accelerating global climate action for the global south.

Discussion between the CCC Secretary Robert E.A. Borje and COP28 President Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber focused on critical pillars of **mitigation**, **adaptation**, **loss and damage**, and **means of implementation and support**.

To advance global climate action in view of national circumstances, Secretary Borje raised the importance of partnerships on **technology development and transfer**, **finance and investments**, **capacity building**, and other areas that may be explored including **communication**, **education and awareness**, and **research and development projects**.

Sharing the same vision, Secretary Borje and COP28 President Al Jaber are committed to work together towards a **transformative**, **scaled-up and integrated South-South Cooperation**, in the lead up to COP28 and even beyond.

For the Philippines, the bilateral partnership presents new pathways of cooperation towards **accelerated just transition** and **greenhouse gas emissions avoidance**, and introduction of new and appropriate technology and innovation.

Under the guidance of President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., the CCC is hopeful that this partnership with the United Arab Emirates and other UNFCCC Parties will contribute to stronger global cooperation towards meaningful and transformative climate action.#