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Let me start by explaining our procedure this morning. This procedure was determined by management. I am only its mouthpiece. Management has decided to break our session into four different components. Therefore, we will have a couple of presentations on each component followed by discussion. Then we will move on to the next component.

The first component comprises climate negotiations, geopolitics and energy trends. We will start out with Vuk Jeremić and Bill Ramsay and then we will have discussion after their presentations. We will then move on to the role of the private sector – that is to say actions that people beyond government can take – and we will have presentations by Masuda Tatsuo and by Luigi Colantuoni and then we will have discussion of those. Then we will move on to the question of air pollution and health and we will have presentations by Bréchet and Vedal and then discussion. Finally, we will focus on how to have a sustainable future under the heading of energy with presentations by Lee and Razdan. I think the value of these panels lies heavily in the discussion that they generate and so I have encouraged each of the presenters to take a minimalist position on the main points to allow for maximum discussion.

Laurent Fabius has agreed to open our session. He is not here but he recorded a few remarks yesterday.