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# **Guidebook on Designing and Preparing INDCs**

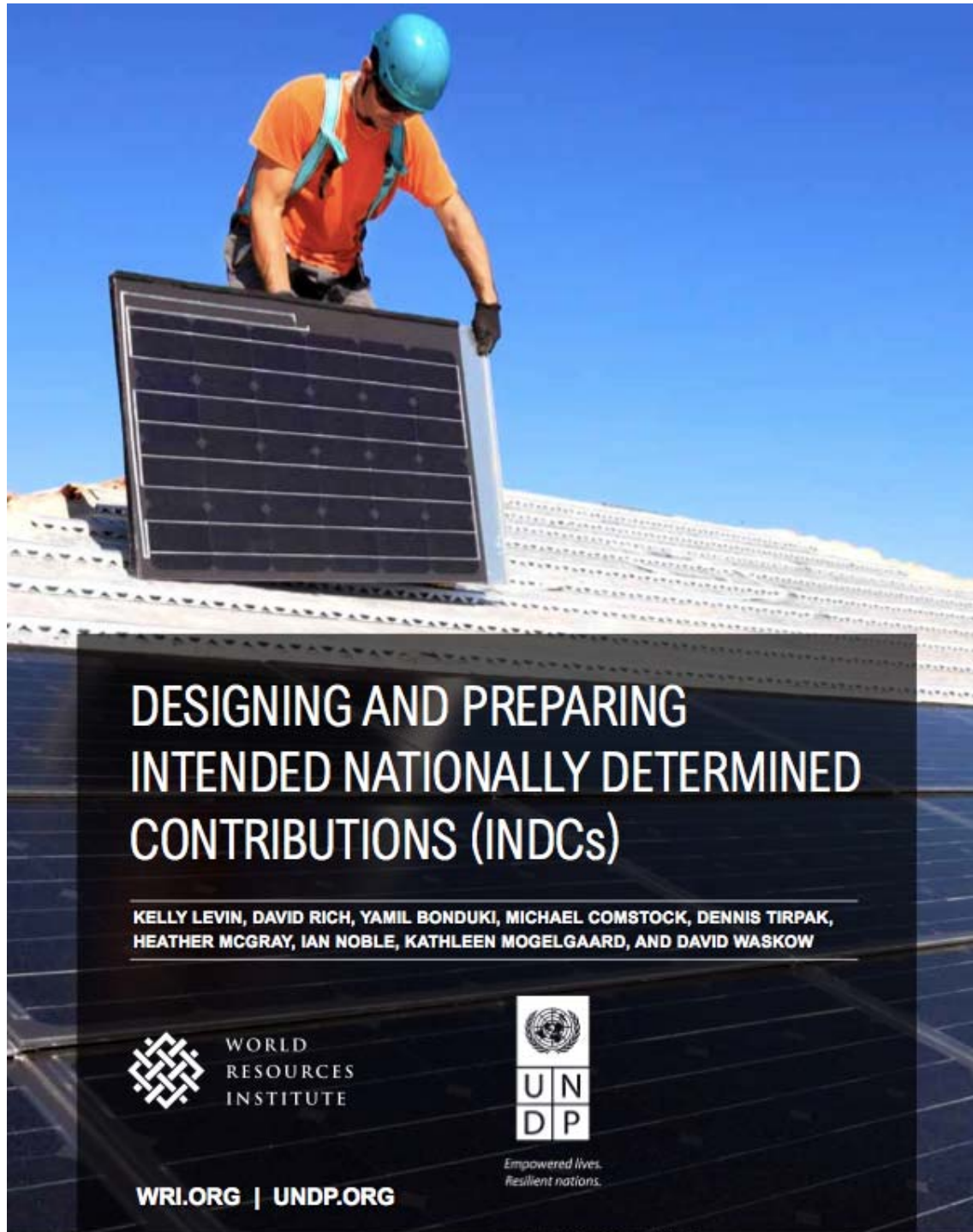
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# DESIGNING AND PREPARING INTENDED NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTIONS (INDCs)

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# INDC Guidance Document

**Guidance document** has been developed by UNDP and WRI, in collaboration UNFCCC

- **Key technical elements** to be considered
- **No perfect formula** for preparing an INDC (depends on national priorities, data availability, etc.), but **key steps and good practices** help
- **Not prescriptive**
- **Not meant to prejudge** the outcome of the negotiations
- Chapter on **adaptation** developed in response to Lima decision and requests
- **Funding** provided by: Australia, Austria, Belgium, European Commission, France, Germany, Japan, Norway, UK, and US

# Part I: Overview of INDC Preparation and Design

1. Background of INDCs
2. How can parties organize a national process to prepare an INDC
3. What data and analysis can inform an INDC?
4. What form can the INDC take?
5. How can parties communicate their INDC transparently?



# Part II: Technical Guidance

6. What options exist for the design of an INDC for **mitigation**?
7. What options exist for the design of an INDC for **adaptation**?
8. What means can parties use to **implement** the INDC?



# Highlights

- Recognition that **data availability** can be a challenge
  - Guidance emphasizes opportunities to build on existing analyses (e.g. National Communications, Adaptation and Mitigation Plans, etc.)
  - Collecting new data might not be needed.
- **Stakeholder engagement**
  - Comprehensive stakeholder engagement process can ensure the necessary support
- Need for high level **political endorsement**
- Provide general understanding of the **types of contributions** that countries may want to consider and the criteria for selecting them
- Describes **types of targets** and their advantages and disadvantages (e.g. fixed level, intensity, etc.)



Currently available at  
(French and Spanish  
coming soon):

[http://lowemissiondevelopment.org/docs/Designing and Preparing INDCs.pdf](http://lowemissiondevelopment.org/docs/Designing_and_Preparing_INDCs.pdf)

<http://www.wri.org/publication/designing-and-preparing-indcs>

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