



The independent Global Stocktake (iGST) is a consortium of civil society actors conducting research and outreach to support a strong global stocktake. Work undertaken in support of the first stocktake is summarized below, and available in more detail in our full submission:

Designing a Robust Stocktake: Discussion Series

This report series—authored in 2019-20 in parallel with still-unfolding decisions about the GST process—envisions the contours of an ideal global stocktake (GST) and suggests ways the independent community can help to achieve that vision. The reports outline the key functions and important design elements of a strong stocktake, and dive into questions across the themes of mitigation, adaptation, means of implementation and support ("finance"), and equity.

Thematic Research

iGST thematic working groups built on the above research to generate new data, methods, and build consensus across topics relevant to the GST, such as:

- On **Adaptation**, including options for harmonized disclosure and stocktaking of private sector adaptation; and on the definition of and options for assessing progress toward 'adequacy and effectiveness' in the context of the Global Goal on Adaptation and GST.
- On **Equity** issues within the GST, including a landscape assessment of equity challenges within the Paris system that the GST must address, and deep dives on equity in climate finance.
- On **Finance**, including work to build new insights and advance conversations around challenging topics such as loss and damage finance or fossil-fuel finance phase-out; and in-depth country case studies to assess the climate-consistency of finance flows in alignment with Article 2.1(c) of the Paris Agreement.
- On **Mitigation**, including on improved indicators for society-wide mitigation progress, such as indicators for political economy and institutional capacity.

Regional Engagement

Three regional networks serve as platforms for civil society organizations to learn about and engage with the GST. The iGST regional hubs in Latin America and the Caribbean, Southeast Asia, and West Africa mapped networks and reached out to stakeholders to develop support and national and regional actions for the GST. A regional assessment of 20 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean will be released in 2023.

Linking the Global Stocktake and National Ambition

A set of three reports uncover the links between the GST and national climate ambition and implementation, via case studies across 13 countries. The studies investigate how national climate action is influenced by Global Stocktake and other international climate governance processes, and how greater climate ambition might play out.

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