Using Wikipedia to enhance global knowledge on climate change



Providing Institution(s)

Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN)



Topic(s)

Global climate action (GCA)



Geographical reach

Global, Global



Target level of capacity

building

Institutional



Resource Type

Case study



Resource Language(s)

English (EN)



Resource Date

2019-2022

RESOURCE LINK



Access

DESCRIPTION



Wikipedia is the single most used open access source of information globally and is a cornerstone of the global knowledge commons.

For climate change, over the last year alone there were approximately 112 million pageviews of climate change related Wikipedia pages (from December 2019 to December 2020).

The objective of this project: Enhance the quality and accessibility of information on climate change on Wikipedia, the world's largest online encyclopedia, particularly related to the global South; Enhance the confidence and skills of climate change researchers and practitioners to edit Wikipedia, especially women and those from the global South; Increase awareness amongst climate change researchers and practitioners of the value of contributing to the platform; and Build a community of climate change editors, particularly women and editors from the global South.