

Building Capacity for Low Emission Development through the **LEDS Global Partnership** and the Enhancing Capacity for LEDS program

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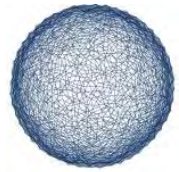
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LEDS in UN climate agreements:



COP15
COPENHAGEN
UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE 2009

Copenhagen (2009): “A low emission development strategy is indispensable for sustainable development”



Cancun (2010): “Decides that **developed countries should develop low carbon strategies or plans...**” “Encourages developing countries to develop low carbon development strategies or plans in the context of sustainable development...”



COP17/CMP7
UNITED NATIONS
CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE 2011
DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA

Durban (2011): “Invites developed country Parties to submit information related to progress towards the formulation of their low-emission development strategies...” “Encourages developing country Parties to develop low-emission development strategies, recognizing the need for financial and technical support by developed country Parties for the formulation of these strategies.” (and other references)

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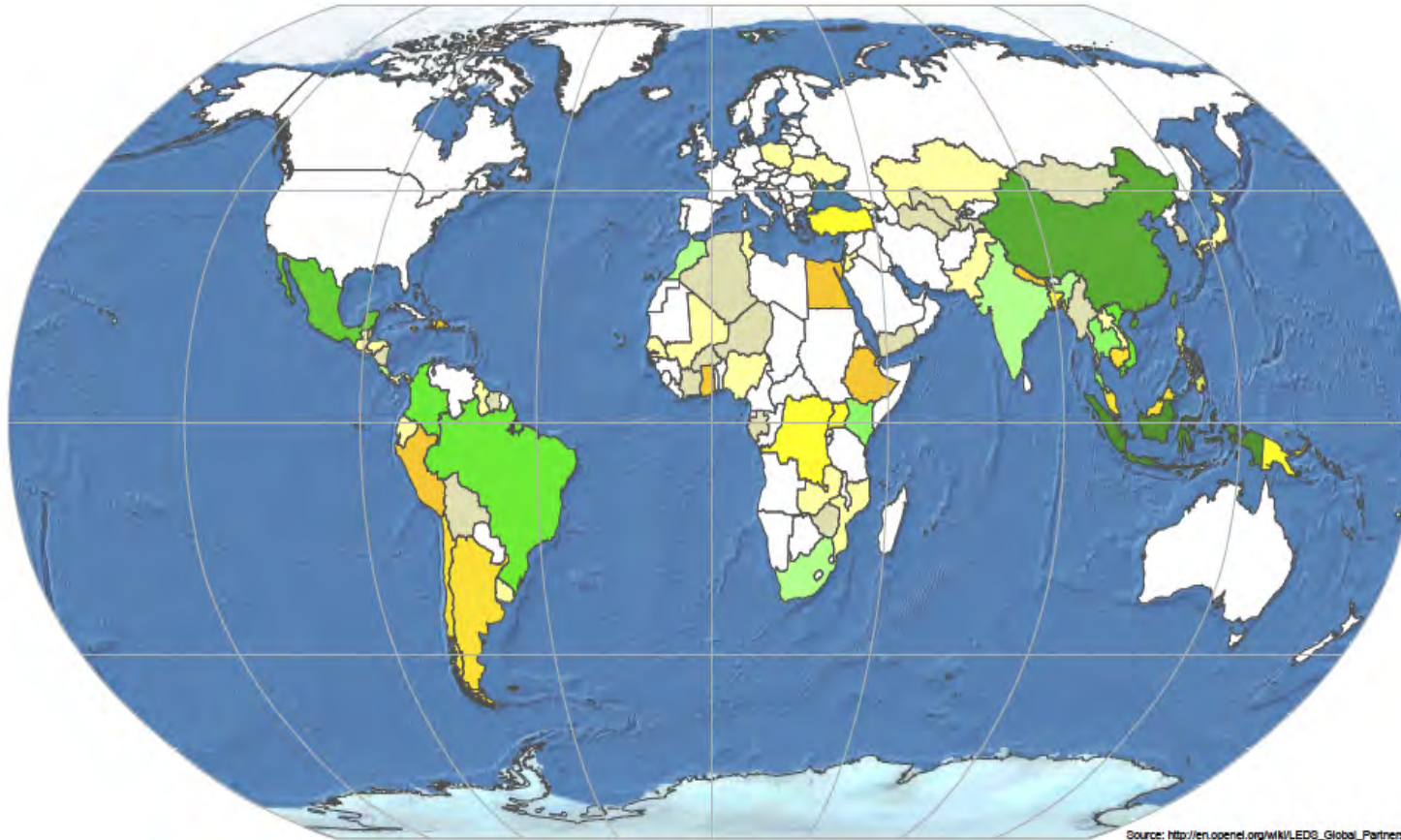
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Global Trends in LEDS Support



Source: http://en.opened.org/wiki/LEDS_Global_Partnership_Activities



LEDS support activities include programs to advance low-carbon growth, low-emissions development, and green growth strategies, technology needs assessments (TNAs), nationally appropriate mitigation actions (NAMAs), and technology development and deployment roadmaps, as well as other similar activities to support deployment of low-carbon technologies and initiatives in developing countries.



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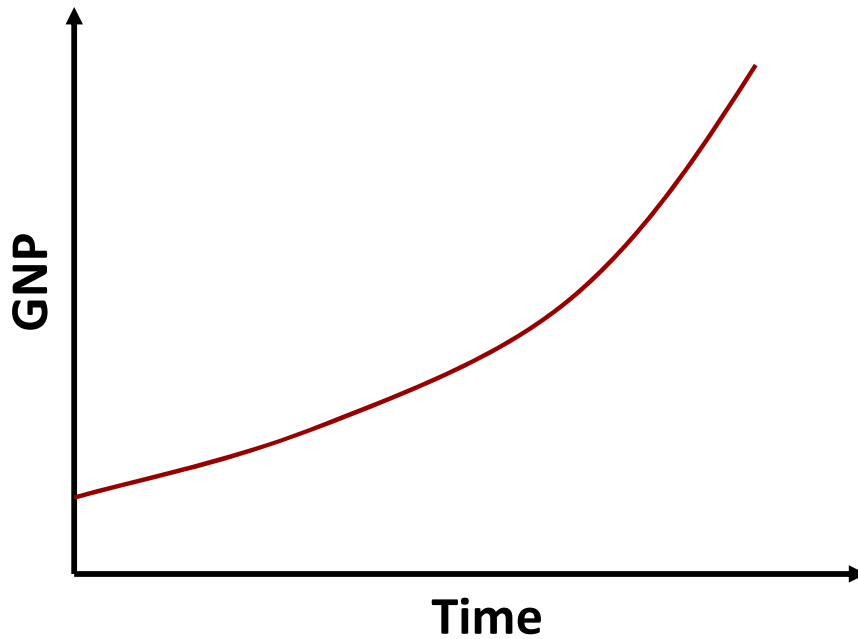


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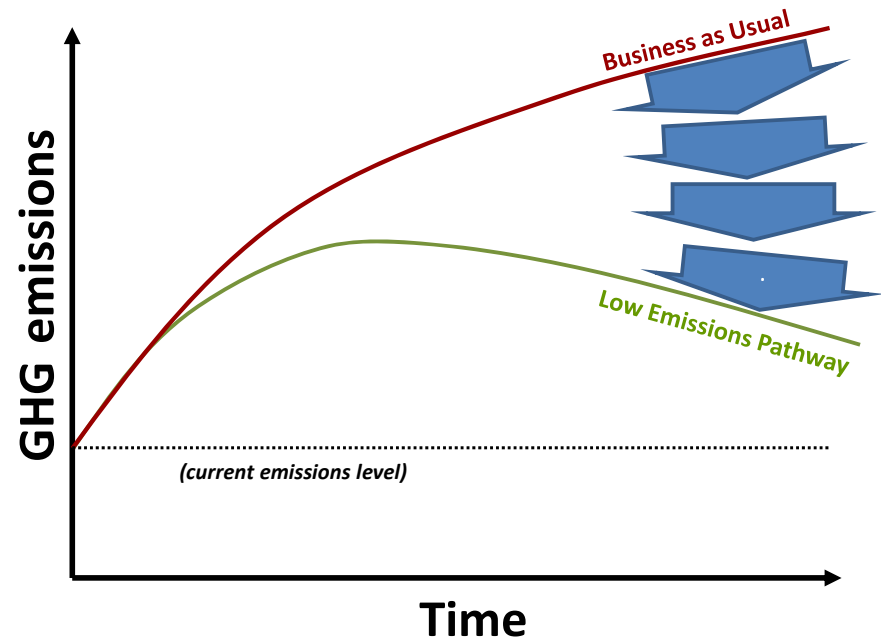


The Goal of a LEDS:

Grow the economy...



... while reducing emissions:



The U.S. advances capacity building on LEDS through two main efforts:

Bilateral

The Enhancing Capacity for LEDS program



Multilateral

The LEDS Global Partnership



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Current and planned EC-LEDS partnerships

- EC LEDS Program Launched as part of U.S. efforts on Fast Start Finance
- Goal of working with 20 countries by the end of 2013
- We met our goal ahead of time (May 2013) and are in discussions with additional 6 countries

We have agreements in place with 20 partner countries!

Albania, Bangladesh, Colombia, Costa Rica, Gabon, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Macedonia, Malawi, Mexico, Moldova, Philippines, South Africa, Serbia, Thailand, Ukraine, Vietnam, Zambia

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EC-LEDS Principles

- Build upon existing climate change-related strategies in partner countries
- Support partner country priorities
- Take a forward-looking approach to meeting partner country national development objectives
- Focus on enhancing capacity—human, institutional, technical, and legal/policy—of partner country governments and organizations to develop and implement LEDS



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EC-LEDS Partnership with Mexico Highlights



PRESS RELEASES & STATEMENTS

U.S. and Mexican Governments Announce United Effort to Combat Climate Change



Mexico City, January 19, 2012 – U.S. Ambassador Anthony Wayne today joined President Felipe Calderón at Los Pinos to witness the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two governments to strengthen and expand cooperation on environmental issues with the

Mexico Global Climate Change (GCC) Program, a five-year, approximately \$70 million, program.

Building Mexico's Capacity for National-Level Macroeconomic Modeling

- Working with Mexico's National Institute of Ecology and CC (INECC) to build macroeconomic modeling capacity
- Consultations and exchanges between US and Mexico modeling experts
- ~ \$70 million, 5 year program to support LEDS and sustainable forest management in Mexico

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EC-LEDS Partnership with Bangladesh Highlights



Paving the Way for Future Wind Power Deployment in Bangladesh

- providing technical assistance to build and leverage local capacity for wind resource assessments
- provide high-quality data for decision-makers and investors that can help accelerate wind power development in Bangladesh.

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EC-LEDS Partnership with Vietnam Highlight



Implementing Energy Efficiency Building Codes

Led by Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, a USG team will:

- review Vietnam's current energy code
- identify opportunities for improvement
- provide guidance on processes to revise the codes
- suggest recommendations based on U.S. and global experience

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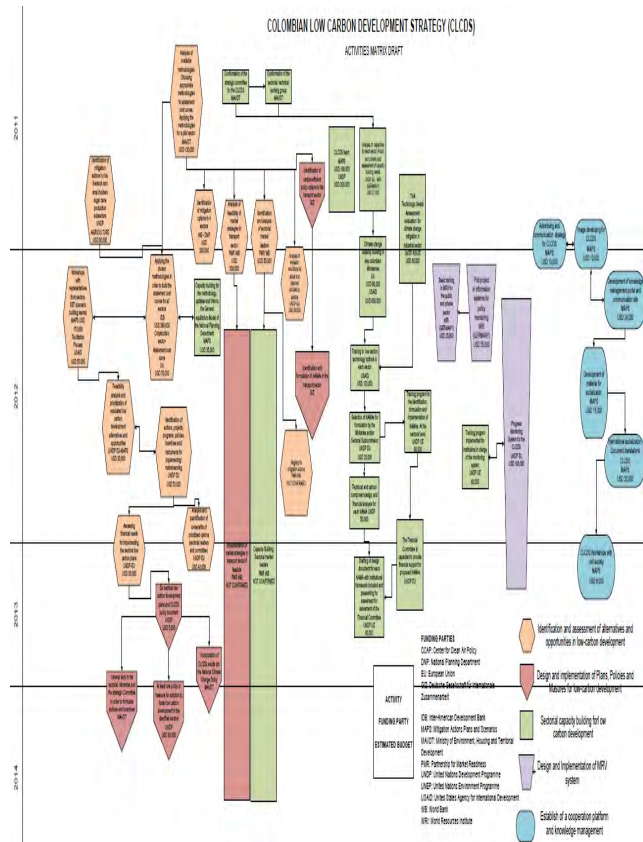
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EC-LEDS Partnership with Colombia Highlight



- Supporting inter-ministerial commission overseeing Colombia's Low Carbon Development Strategy
- Building capacity for GHG inventories
- Direct support for embedded personnel
- \$20 million in USAID programming for clean energy financial incentives
- \$28 million in USAID programming for forest conservation programming



Advancing Climate-Resilient Low Emission Development around the World

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Why do We Need a LEDS Global Partnership?



- Need to **scale up** action on LEDS through **accelerated learning, knowledge exchange, and action** to address urgent global challenge
 - Rapid transition to climate-resilient low emissions economies around the world



- LEDS GP Serves as Force Multiplier promoting:
 - Collaboration and peer learning forums on LEDS - regional & global
 - Country access to responsive technical assistance and training
 - Information and technical resources on LEDS design and implementation
 - Coordination of international and country activities and resources
 - Support for LEDS champions and innovation across all countries

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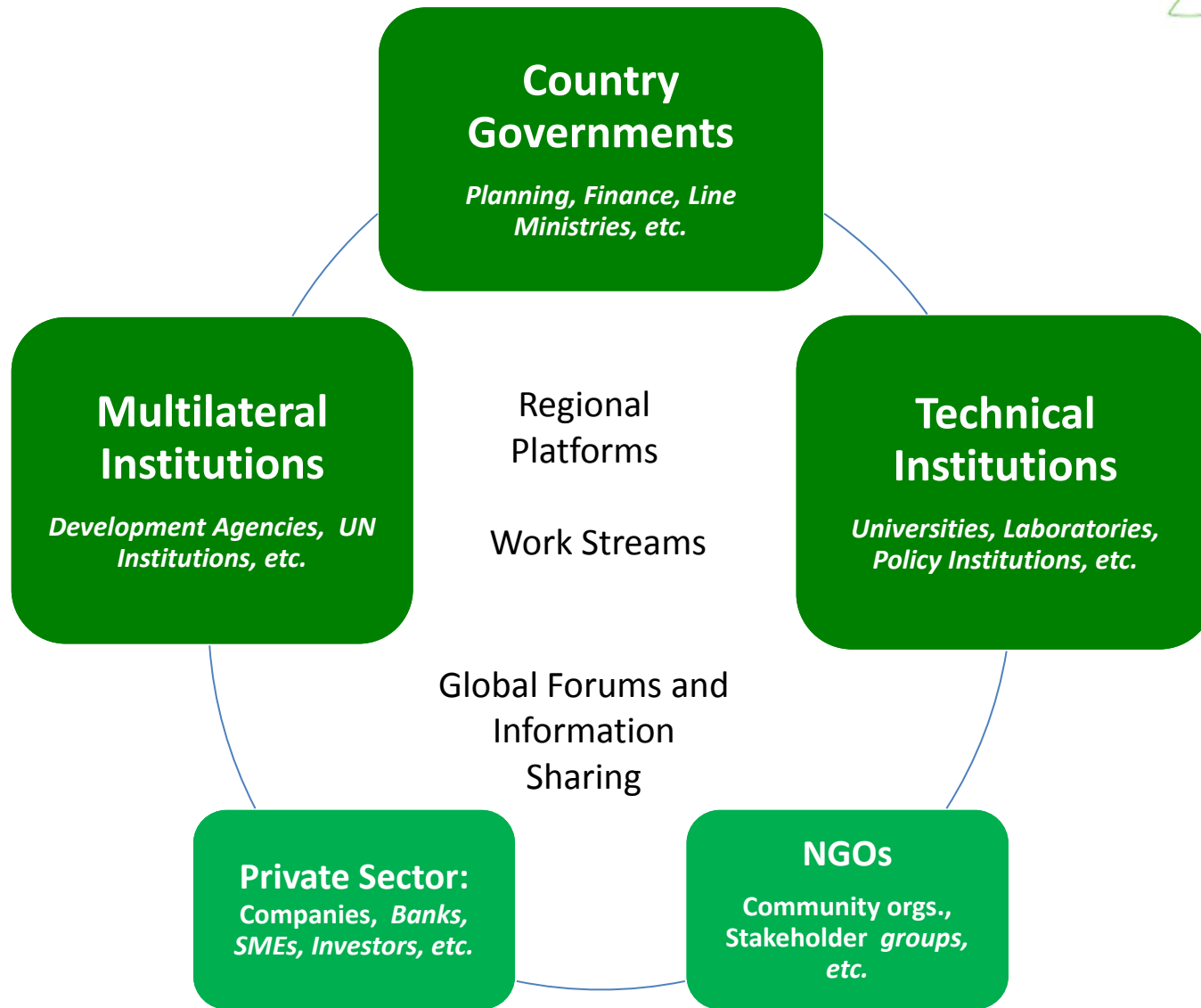
Mission

The LEDS Global Partnership advances climate-resilient low emissions development through coordination, information exchange and cooperation among programs that support LEDS and country institutions that are developing LEDS.

Objectives

- **Strengthen support** for climate-resilient low emission development in all regions.
- **Mobilize capacity and advance peer-to-peer learning and collaboration** on climate-resilient low emission development across countries, international institutions and practitioners.
- **Improve coordination** of climate-resilient low emission development activities at the country, regional and global level

Who Benefits from the LEDS GP?



LEDS Global Partnership Structure



Steering Committee
Developing Country | Regional Platform | Donor Officials
• Sponsorship sub-committee

Secretariat
Knowledge Management | Program Delivery | Global Forums
and Peer Learning

Regional Platforms

African Climate & Development Society

Asia LEDS Platform

Latin American & Caribbean LEDS Platform

Work Streams

LEDS Planning
Facilitators/Champions

Analysis & Tools
Analysts/Experts

Finance
Implementers/Finance Agencies

Sectors
Energy, Land-Use, Transport, & Waste officials and experts

Steering Committee

- Africa Climate and Development Society (ACD-Soc)
- Asia LEDS Partnership
- Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF)
- Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN)
- ClimateWorks Foundation (CWF)
- Energy Center, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Ghana
- German Federal Ministry of Environment (BMU)/Programme Office International Climate Initiative
- European Climate Foundation (ECF)
- European Commission (EC)
- Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- Kenyan Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources
- Latin America and Caribbean LEDS Regional Platform
- Libelula in Peru
- Mitigation Action Plans and Scenarios (MAPS)
- UK Department for International Development (DFID)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- U.S. Department of State and United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- The World Bank
- World Resources Institute (WRI)

Cochairs: Maria Paz Cigaran (Libelula - Peru) and Sam Bickersteth (CDKN - UK)

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Performance Targets/M&E



By end of 2014, at least:

- 30 government agencies apply LEDS GP learning and technical resources to strengthen their LEDS programs in concrete ways
- 15 international LEDS programs improve the quality of the assistance they provide as a result of their participation in the LEDS GP
- 1000 officials and practitioners strengthen their capacity and knowledge on LEDS through LEDS GP peer exchange, training, and collaboration activities
- 100 new officials, technical experts, and other stakeholders become engaged in LEDS development and implementation in their countries.

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Welcome Your Feedback and Participation



- How can we further strengthen the LEADS GP?
- What steps should we take to enhance awareness of and participation in the LEADS GP?
- What suggestions do you have for further partnerships with others?

Please join the LEADS GP and encourage others to join

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