

UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centres

Catalyse Climate Action



The United Nations Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC) and five prominent partners are catalysing action on the ground through regional collaboration centres (RCCs) combining climate change expertise with in-depth local knowledge.

Set up to spread the benefits of the clean development mechanism (CDM), the RCCs have broadened their role since adoption of the Paris Agreement on climate change in December 2015, supporting the development and implementation of countries' nationally determined contributions to climate action under that agreement, with a particular focus on markets and mechanisms.

Key benefits

- Direct support, partnerships and outreach
- Enhanced participation in UNFCCC processes
- Technical expertise and experience in the regional context
- Close collaboration with informed public and private officials
- Active network of non-Party stakeholders, including project owners
- Close partnerships with financial institutions
- Broad coverage – at regional, national and sub-national levels
- Matching of actions with sources of funding
- Decreased risk, shorter time to launch of activities
- Support from initial idea to recognition of results
- Enhanced recognition of mitigation outcomes, actions and climate neutrality for non-Party stakeholders



The RCCs work with

- Governments and government agencies
- Subnational jurisdictions –provinces, cities, towns
- International organizations and institutions
- National, regional and multilateral development and funding agencies
- Businesses
- Private, public and multilateral banks
- NGOs
- Research and academia



Identification and assessment

- CDM projects and programmes
- Policies, carbon markets, carbon pricing, renewable energy support schemes etc.



Technical support

- Plan development – nationally determined contributions, low emission development plans, national adaptation plans, policies, etc.
- Tools to assess climate action – monitoring reporting and verification, standardized baselines
- Promotion and support to nationally appropriate mitigation actions, sectorial policies, CDM projects, etc.

Capacity building

- Enhancing capacity of policymakers and public and private sector officials
- Supporting participation in the UNFCCC process
- Measuring, reporting and promoting successful, replicable outcomes



Climate finance

- Project assessment to inform potential investors
- Development of bankable project proposals
- Support in preparation of funding and investment proposals
- Matching activities with sources of finance

The RCCs welcome collaboration proposals and requests for technical assistance.

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