TÜRKIYE-AUSTRALIA PARTNERSHIP MODALITIES[1]

Definitions of roles:

"COP31 President" means a representative of Türkiye who will be nominated to be elected as President by the Conference of the Parties at the commencement of the sessions of COP31 and perform the relevant functions in accordance with the Draft Rules of Procedures of the UNFCCC[2].

In terms of this bilateral arrangement, the "COP31 President" assigns a representative of Australia as the "President of Negotiations", to whom he will delegate the functions of leading the COP31 Negotiations, for the duration of COP31, and who will have exclusive authority in relation to the negotiations.

To facilitate the above, the representative of Australia will be nominated as the Vice President of the COP for the duration of COP31.Türkiye and Australia, while taking leadership as "COP31 President" and "President of Negotiations", respectively, will consult each other.

If there is a difference of views between Türkiye and Australia, consultations will take place until the difference is resolved to mutual satisfaction.

Events

Türkiye will host COP31, including the world leaders' summit in Türkiye.

The Pre-COP will be hosted in a Pacific island country (in a location to be decided by the Pacific), supported by the Government of Australia. This will be an opportunity for a number of leaders and others to see Pacific climate impacts and responses firsthand, hear voices and solutions from the region, and support Pacific-led initiatives.

Türkiye's Roles and Responsibilities as "COP31 President" and Host

A representative of Türkiye will be nominated to be elected "COP31 President" at the commencement of the sessions of COP31, and be the "COP31 President-Designate" from the end of COP30.

COP31 President will act based on the Draft Rules of Procedures of the UNFCCC.

Türkiye will prepare communications on the COP31 Conference.

Türkiye will enter into a Host Country Agreement with the UNFCCC and fulfil all the operational and logistical responsibilities of a host country of a COP.

Türkiye will appoint the UN High-Level Climate Champion.

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[1] The draft rules of procedure being applied apply to these modalities.

[2] United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Draft Rules of Procedure of the Conference of Parties and its Subsidiary Bodies, FCCC/CP/1996/2.

Türkiye will appoint the Youth Champion proposed by Australia.

Türkiye will be responsible for COP31 Action Agenda.

Australia's Roles and Responsibilities

A representative of Australia will be assigned by the "COP31 President-Designate" as the "President of Negotiations" who will have the responsibility for the below functions from the end of COP30 until the end of the COP31/CMA8/CMP21 session.

- taking forward all mandates arising from negotiated outcomes,
- convening consultations and meetings throughout the year as needed to inform negotiations, including taking on their operational and logistical responsibilities,
- taking forward communications in relation to the negotiations,
- select ministerial and other co-facilitators for negotiations as necessary for the purposes of COP31,
- leading the negotiations agenda at COP31, including production of draft texts,
- be the focal point for engagements with the UNFCCC with regard to negotiations.

Australia, in partnership with Pacific island countries, will set the agenda for Pre-COP in the Pacific, preside over pre-COP, and fulfil all the operational and logistical responsibilities for pre-COP.
Building on the efforts of the COP30 Brazilian Presidency, Türkiye and Australia will work together, and with Pacific island countries, to strengthen and elevate the action agenda.

- This will include a session at COP31 focused on climate finance needs of Small Island Developing States which will provide a platform for pledges to the Pacific Resilience Facility.

Australia and Türkiye will work together to identify additional champions for the action agenda for thematic priorities, including champions from Pacific island countries.