PCCB NETWORK ANNUAL REPORT

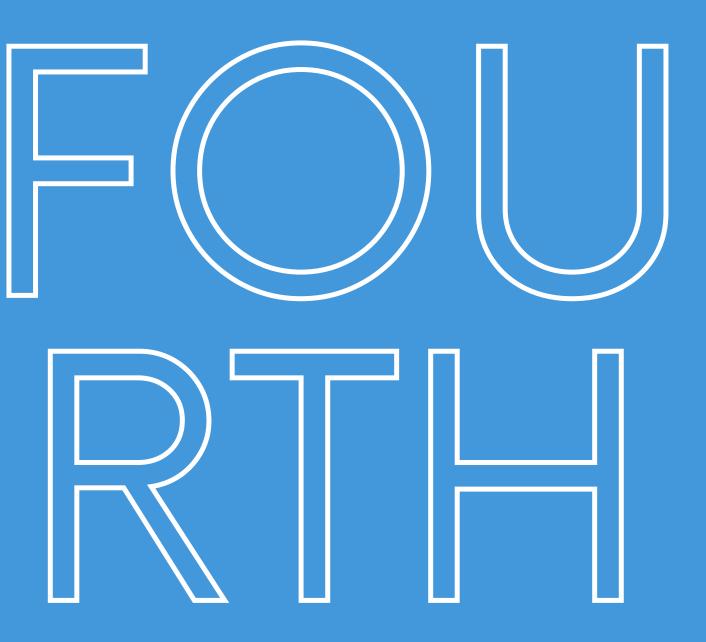




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BACKGROUND

What is the PCCB Network?

The PCCB Network was established by the Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) as a voluntary association of interested stakeholders engaged in climate-related capacity-building who can share information on good practices of their work, contribute to the work of PCCB in fulfilling its mandate, and seek to connect with their peers across sectors and regions. The goal of the PCCB Network is to foster synergies and contribute to enhancing coherence and coordination in capacity-building efforts for climate action. The PCCB Network facilitates coordinated and collective action among its members, leveraging resources and expertise to support capacity-building efforts in developing countries.

Activities of the PCCB Network align with the PCCB's work areas:



Enhancing coherence and coordination on capacity-building under the Convention and the Paris Agreement



Mainstreaming cross-cutting issues in climate changerelated capacitybuilding



Promoting awareness-raising, knowledge- and information-sharing and stakeholder engagement



Identifying current and emerging capacity gaps and needs and recommending ways to address them

Under the umbrella of the work areas, the PCCB Network activities can be clustered as follows:

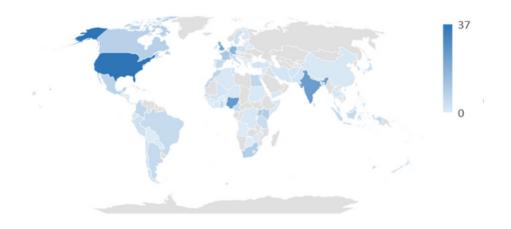
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- 3 Engagement & networking activities



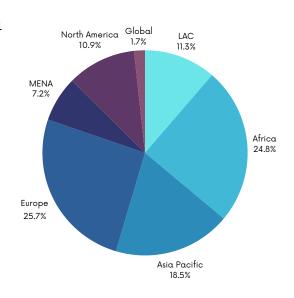
PCCB NETWORK MEMBERS "IN A NUTSHELL"

Members of the PCCB Network range across various sectors and institutional types, regions and thematic focus. The network's strength lies in its diversity, which enables a multi-sectoral, approach to capacity building efforts, offering a more comprehensive approach to addressing the diverse and interconnected challenges of climate change.

Global Distribution



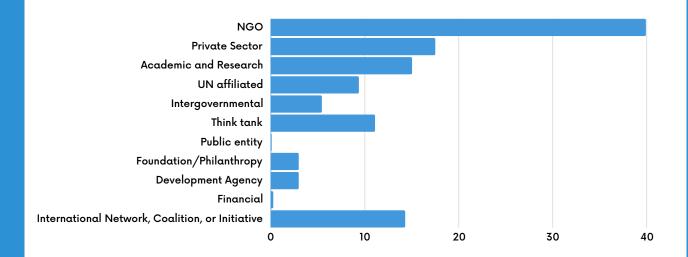
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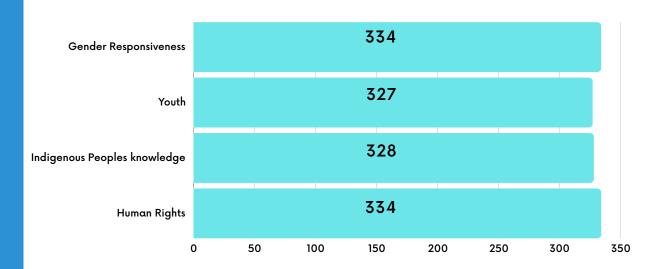
PCCB NETWORK MEMBERS "IN A NUTSHELL"

<u>Distribution</u> by Type of Institution



 ${}^*\mbox{Please}$ note that members can belong to multiple institution types.

Number of Members involved in cross-cutting issues



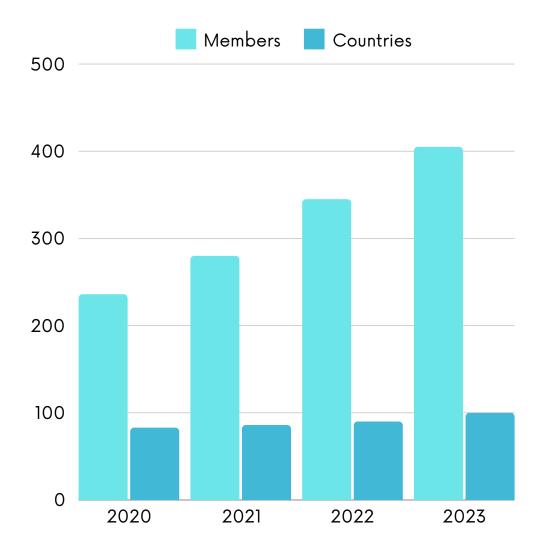
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PCCB NETWORK MEMBERS "IN A NUTSHELL"

Growth in the PCCB Network

n the past year, the PCCB Network welcomed numerous new members, expanding its community to a total of 406 member organizations from 100 different countries. The figures below depict the changes and developments within the network over the las years.

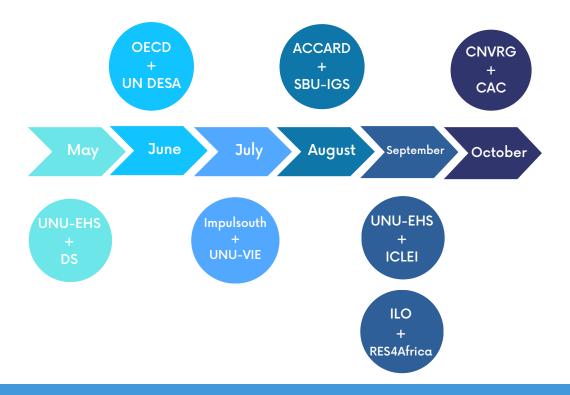




3.1 Technical exchanges and peer-learning activities

This activity pillar encompasses the coordination of virtual events, including webinars, panel discussions, workshops, and trainings. The primary objective of these activities is to foster peer-to-peer learning and the exchange of knowledge and experiences within a targeted technical domain associated with climate change capacity-building. These events are entirely driven by Network members—from proposal to implementation with seven virtual events and workshops delivered in the fourth year of the PCCB Network.

In the <u>fourth year of the PCCB Network</u>, seven virtual sessions and workshops were organised by the PCCB Network and Members:





3.1.1 <u>Changing minds, not the climate: Using transformative</u>
<u>communication to activate citizens, strengthen capacities, and inspire</u>
<u>climate action</u> by <u>TUC</u> under <u>UNU-EHS</u> with <u>Digital Storytellers</u>

The webinar explored transformative communication strategies to activate citizens, strengthen capacities, and inspire climate action. Various global actors, including filmmakers, photographers, digital storytellers, podcasters, and scientists, shared their experiences in an innovative talk show format.

The focus was on creating inclusive narratives to make climate change knowledge accessible beyond academic circles. Speakers emphasized the importance of engaging diverse audiences and the use of pictures for storytelling and progress display in urban transformation efforts by TUC. The interconnectedness of communication and capacity-building for urban transformation underscored the necessity of involving local actors in research and fostering collaborations for greener and socially just cities.







In collaboration with





3.1.2. <u>Good practices of capacity development for climate change in SIDS</u> by the <u>OECD</u> with <u>UN DESA</u>

Bringing together stakeholders, including government representatives, youth networks, and global partnerships, the webinar explored capacity development for climate change in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and emphasized their vulnerability despite limited contributions to climate change.

Key highlights included the OECD's ongoing report on capacity development for climate action in SIDS and UN DESA's initiatives, such as the "SIDS Coalition for Nature." Recommendations emphasized the need for flexible donor approaches, continued climate finance accessibility, diverse partnerships, and regional cooperation, underlining the urgency of innovative strategies to address capacity needs in SIDS for effective climate change adaptation.





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3.1.3. <u>Dialogue on strengthening youth capacity for their involvement in adaptation processes</u> by <u>Impulsouth</u> with <u>UNU-ViE</u>

The event assessed capacity-building gaps to enhance youth engagement in adaptation measures. The session emphasized the necessity of meaningful youth participation across all dimensions and levels of governance, contributing to long-term processes aligned with the Paris Agreement.

Key discussions focused on approaches to capacity-building for the implementation of international processes, with speakers sharing initiatives, gaps, and needs.

The event identified challenges, including leadership crises, the need for innovation, and accessing climate-related funding, emphasizing the importance of collaboration between countries and involving economic allies for sustainable support.















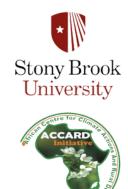


3.1.4. <u>Capacity building for grassroots women in climate action</u> <u>through storytelling</u> by <u>ACCARD</u> and the <u>SBU-IGS</u>

The webinar convened experts and panelists from diverse backgrounds to discuss building climate-resilient capacity for grassroots women and young girls in the Global South. The event highlighted the worsening impact of climate change on women and children at the grassroots level, leading to food insecurity, livelihood losses, and human health implications.

The discussion emphasized the urgent need to strengthen climate-resilient capacity by learning from community-led climate actions and awareness programmes. Challenges in implementing capacity related to climate change, integrating indigenous knowledge, amplifying women's voices, and addressing climate finance gaps were identified, emphasizing the importance of inclusive participation and continuous capacity-building for grassroots women in climate action. Insights on bridging finance gaps, supporting grassroots women in climate smart agriculture, flood response management, and promoting their inclusive participation in policy processes and climate action were also shared.







3.1.5. <u>Transformative coalitions: Success stories for knowledge</u>

<u>sharing on climate action and social justice</u> by <u>TUC</u> under <u>UNU-EHS</u>

with ICLEI

The session united experts and participants, delving into success stories and practical insights in capacity-building for climate action and social justice. Speakers shared achievements in radical collaboration and effective communication. By actively engaging the audience crucial soft skills for social inclusive climate action and for recognizing gaps in capacity-building were identified.

Key takeaways highlighted the interconnected importance of collaboration, effective communication, empathy, resilience, counterfactual thinking, creativity, and social learning for impactful climate action and social justice, emphasizing the need to tailor capacities to different contexts.







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3.1.6. <u>Greening TVET and skills development to equip and capacitate future workforce for a just transition</u> by <u>ILO</u> and RES4Africa

The session highlighted the crucial role of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) including challenges and opportunities in greening the TVET sector. The discussions underscored the urgency of aligning global climate goals with human capacity development. The event showcased poll findings revealing challenges in TVET, such as lack of investment, private sector engagement, and skills gaps, emphasizing the need for collaborative efforts and lifelong learning. The ILO's practical guidance tool on "Greening TVET and Skills Development" was emphasized as a crucial resource for integrating green elements into competency standards and curricula. Discussions further delved into initiatives, challenges, and policies for greening TVET, highlighting the need for private sector involvement, supporting youth, and fostering collaboration between businesses and educational institutions. It concluded by emphasizing the pivotal role of skills development in elevating climate ambition and achieving a just transition towards a greener, more sustainable future.





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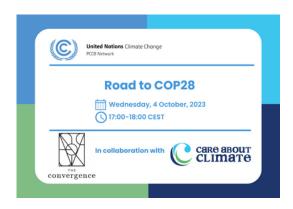




3.1.7. Road to COP28 by CNVRG with CAC

The Convergence's COP28 Action Group, a community of impact makers, launched an eight-week series to prepare attendees for the climate conference in Dubai.

The inaugural session in collaboration with the PCCB Network served as an orientation, equipping participants with information and resources to kickstart their engagement plans. It covered key topics such as the Global Stocktake, the Loss and Damage Fund, the Paris Agreement Adaptation Goals, and highlighted the focus on Agriculture and Food Systems, alongside Cross-Cutting themes. CAC's expert input provided valuable insights into COP involvement, including guidance on securing Observer Status, opportunities for COP Knowledge Training, and support for Youth Advocacy spaces.







3.2. Communications and Outreach

Next to its website the PCCB Network mobilizes the PCCB YouTube_channel and the <u>UN Climate Change Capacity-building</u>. <u>LinkedIn group</u> as well as its partner channels for outreach to expand its audience and effectively communicate the work of the Network and its members to a broader community of stakeholders.



Website 3,960 views 1,370 users



Youtube
10 videos
1,100+ views



Newsletter
5 issues
1,165 opens



14 posts 10,000 + impressions



E-meetings



Surveys



Email

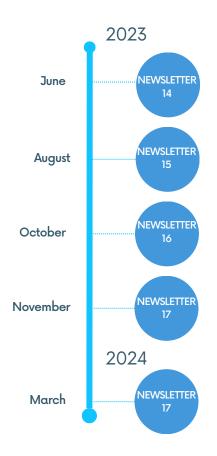


Partner channels



3.2.1. Newsletters

Five PCCB Network Newsletters were published in the fourth year, providing an opportunity for members to share updates, news, and upcoming activities on capacity-building efforts with one another. Of all five newsletters published in the 2023-2024 period, a total of 44 submissions were presented, with contributions from 26 members, and 1,166 opens on ConstantContact. On average, 7 members contributed to each issue with 9 submissions being presented and an average of 233 opens per newsletter.







3.2.2 Capacity-building Stories Podcast

Three <u>CB Stories podcast episodes</u> turned the insiders views on the capacity-building work of Network members into learning opportunities for the wider circle of capacity-building actors.



The **fourth episode** in collaboration with the Loss and <u>Damage Youth Coalition (LDYC)</u> delved into into the realities of loss and damage, the significance of capacity-building and how youth are demanding action to address Loss and Damage caused by climate change.



The **fifth episode** explored the capacity-building efforts of the <u>IPARD</u> and I-WEE programs of the <u>FSC Indigenous Foundation</u>, shedding light on the impact of climate change in the Poqomam indigenous community. The episode also highlighted initiatives for the inclusion of Indigenous communities, women, and girls to safeguard Indigenous Peoples' rights, enhance capacities, and catalyze economic self-development.



The sixth episode in collaboration with SEEK Feminist Research to Response Network explored the capacity-building efforts led by climate migrant and refugee advocates along Indigenous women. And how these efforts drive knowledge co-creation, shape gender-inclusive policies, and fuel a chain of change for climate justice.



3.2.2 Podcast Expedition Project

The digital Postcard Expedition series highlighted PCCB Network members' personal stories and compelling images of climate-related capacity-building efforts across the world to promote collective action and inspire greater ambition in people, communities and nations. The Postcard transported members to five different countries displaying the power of people sharing their stories and reclaiming the voices and influence of their communities.









3.3 Engagement & Networking

3.3.1. 4th Annual Meeting of the PCCB Network

In April 2023, the PCCB Network saw 60 member participants from 45 member organizations come together at its 4th annual meeting. The meeting provided members with space to network and to celebrate the third anniversary of the Network Members were able to reflect on their collaboration needs and expectations particularly across sectors.

3.3.2. PCCB Network(ing) Bingo at the 4th Capacitybuilding Hub

The networking event at the 5th Capacity-building Hub introduced a unique twist: a Bingo game to facilitate connections among participants. Through this innovative approach, attendees had the opportunity to interact and engage with fellow members of the PCCB Network, strengthening relationships and fostering collaboration.





3.4. Engagement of Members of the PCCB Network at PCCB Activities

The PCCB regularly mobilizes the PCCB Network and the expertise of members to support its mandate and work through various activities.

3.4.1 Call for Submissions

In the reporting period the PCCB sought two calls for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders on:

- a) Tools and Methodologies for assessing and addressing capacity gaps and needs related to accessing climate finance'
- b) 2024 PCCB focus area 'Capacity-building support for adaptation, with a focus on addressing gaps and needs related to accessing finance for national adaptation plans (NAPs).

20%* of the Submissions made were from members of the PCCB Network and inputs feed into the PCCB's workplan activities



^{*} Fundación Avina and the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero of the UK Government

3.4.2. PCCB Regional Thematic Dialogues

The PCCB in collaboration with the PCCB Network organized four thematic dialogues on building capacities for NAP implementation strategies during the Africa, MENA, LAC and Asia-Pacific Climate Weeks held in 2023. Delivered in collaboration with the NAP Global Network, the dialogues involved speakers from global, regional, and local institutions sharing insights into the capacity needs for NAP formulation and implementation. The dialogues explored how to enhance countries' capacities to formulate and implement effective strategies, emphasizing monitoring, evaluation, and learning to increase the impact of NAPs across the four regions.











3.4.3. 5th Capacity-Building Hub



Hosted by the PCCB every year in the margins of COP, the 5th Capacity-building Hub took place over the course of seven thematic days from 3 to 10 December 2023 at COP28 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The PCCB Network and its members were pivotal in the success of the 5th Capacity-building Hub. 73 out of the 298 submissions (24%) made towards the call for Expression-of-Interest for the 5th Capacity-building Hub were from members of the PCCB Network. 32 out of the 57 sessions (56%) were organized by members of the PCCB Network.





A total of 5 members of the Network were selected as lead partners for 7 of the thematic days of the Hub.











6 external experts were selected from the PCCB Network and joined the 5th Capacity-building Hub Steering Committee to ensure that cross-cutting issues – gender responsiveness, indigenous peoples' knowledge, youth, human rights, Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and modalities – were mainstreamed across the programme of the Hub.









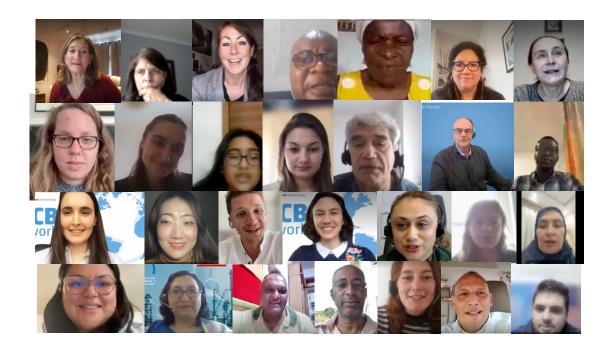






PROSPECTS

As it moves forward, the PCCB Network stays committed to fostering continuous improvement and member satisfaction. It'll keep using various feedback methods like surveys, meetings, and direct communication channels to gather insights from its diverse membership base. By actively seeking feedback and engaging with members, the PCCB Network aims to understand their needs, preferences, and priorities better. This ongoing process of listening and learning allows the network to adapt and evolve, ensuring it remains responsive to the dynamic landscape of climate capacity-building and the evolving needs of its members and stakeholders.





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