

Mr. President, Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I congratulate H.E. the President and the Government of Brazil for their leadership and hosting of COP30.

It is an honor to address this distinguished gathering on behalf of the Republic of Armenia. We stand united with a common purpose: to safeguard our planet, protect our people, and ensure a sustainable and fair future for generations to come.

Armenia is a landlocked and mountainous country that is highly vulnerable to climate change. It affects agriculture, water resources, biodiversity, human health, and the daily lives of our citizens.

Despite these challenges, we are determined to act decisively.

Over the past year, Armenia has made major progress in climate governance. We adopted a comprehensive climate law that sets a long-term, economy-wide legal framework for action. We endorsed our LT-LEDS, which provides a clear path toward a low-emission and climate-resilient future aligned with the Paris Agreement. We advanced our third NDC, which is more ambitious than our 2021–2030 target. Our updated NDC integrates stronger adaptation and mitigation targets.

Renewable energy is a central pillar of our strategy. In recent years, we have expanded solar and wind power, with plans to double renewable capacity by 2040. Our goal is to raise the share of renewable electricity to 50% by 2030 and around 60% by 2040.

We believe that a balanced system - combining renewables with safe nuclear power - is essential for a just and sustainable transition.

We are also implementing ambitious forest restoration and afforestation programs to increase forest cover.

These reforms send a clear message: Armenia is committed, ambitious, and ready to lead by example, despite being a developing and climate-vulnerable country.

Still, we cannot act alone.

For Armenia, like in many developing countries, finance, technology, and capacity-building are essential. Without predictable and adequate international support, our full

climate ambition cannot be achieved. We therefore call on all partners to increase climate finance, accelerate technology transfer, and reinforce capacity-building support.

Distinguished colleagues,

In October 2026, Armenia hosts the Seventeenth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP17), guided by the core values of inclusivity, transparency, high ambition, and action.

Synergy and complementarity across conventions is one of the core pillars of our vision. By minimizing duplication, accelerating implementation and strengthening national capacities, we aim to foster a more integrated and effective approach to environmental sustainability.

Excellencies,

Armenia comes to COP30 with ambition, responsibility, and a spirit of partnership.

Through innovation, collaboration, and mutual support, we can ensure that the Paris Agreement delivers on its promise and that future generations inherit a world of stability, prosperity, and hope.