Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) Call for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders: Annual PCCB focus area

Background

The PCCB aims to address gaps and needs, both current and emerging, in implementing capacity-building in developing country Parties and further enhance capacity-building efforts.

Current priority areas are:

- a) Enhancing coherence and coordination of capacity-building under the Convention;
- b) Identifying capacity gaps and needs, both current and emerging, and recommending ways to address them;
- c) Promoting awareness-raising, knowledge- and information-sharing and stakeholder engagement.

To learn more about the work of the PCCB, you can access its annual reports and other documents here.

Topics for submissions

The PCCB annually focuses on an area related to enhanced technical exchange on capacity-building. It determined, in its 2021-2024 workplan, to make calls for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders on the annual PCCB focus area.

Submissions form

We thank you in advance for filling out this template with concise, evidence-based information and for referencing all relevant sources. There are 2 sections in this template:

- Details about your organization
- Guiding questions about implementing NDCs and national development plans in developing countries

How will the inputs be used?

The inputs will feed into the PCCB's workplan activities in 2021, including a focus area day at the 3rd Capacity-building Hub at COP 26, and envisaged regional activities and webinars. The inputs will also inform the design and preparations of the 10th Durban Forum on capacity-building envisaged to be held during the Bonn Climate Change Conference in June 2021. Responding to the request of the COP for the SBI to align the theme of the Durban Forum on capacity-building with the annual focus area of the PCCB , the PCCB has been working to ensure alignment between discussions at the annual Durban Forum and the work of the PCCB related to its annual focus area.

Further information:

You are welcome to provide any other information that your organization thinks would highlight suggestions made in response to this call for submissions.

Address for submission: pccb@unfccc.int

Please only fill out sections that are relevant to the work of your organization. Please note that no section is mandatory.

Organization or entity name:	
Fondazione Lombardia per l'Ambiente	
Type of organization:	
Please choose as appropriate:	
☐ Intergovernmental organization	☐ Development bank / financial institution
☐ UN and affiliated organization	\square Non-governmental organization
☐ International network, coalition, or	□ Research organization
initiative	☐ University/education/training
☐ Regional network, coalition, or	organization
initiative	☐ Private sector entity
☐ Public sector entity	☐ Philanthropic organization
☐ Development agency	☐ Other (Please specify)
Organization Location	
City: Milan	
Country:Italy	
Scale of operation:	
☐ Global	□ Regional
☐ Local	Subregional
☐ National	☐ Transboundary
City(ies)/Country(ies) of operation (if appropriate):	
Europe	

The annual PCCB focus area

At its fourth meeting in June 2020, the PCCB agreed on the following focus area for 2021:

'Building capacity to facilitate coherent implementation of NDCs in the context of national development plans'

The Paris Agreement aims to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change through the implementation of NDCs and national development plans, in the context of sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty. This presents ample opportunities for synergies and the PCCB, with its strong mandate to engage with other bodies under and outside the Convention, is well positioned to promote coherence in achieving climate and development objectives.

To foster coherence in the implementation of NDCs and national development plans, an enhanced understanding of the key barriers and capacity-building gaps and needs hindering their coherent implementation, as well as of existing solutions is needed.

In implementing NDCs and national development plans in a coherent manner, in your experience, what are:

the key interventions?

The key interventions regards areas like mobility, energy and food system agriculture

the enabling conditions?

The enabling conditions regards have a solid baseline and a strong set of SMART indicator to set up goals and monitor and evaluate results

the key institutional barriers?

It the burocracy is to tight and there is a lack of dialogue with civil society, usually NDC are difficult to implement and to reach

the capacity gaps and capacity-building needs?

Surely capacity building on Paris agreement for technical officers, ministerial staff and civil society

the knowledge and skills priorities?

Basic of climate change and emission, finance and structure of the Paris agreement

To enhance coherent implementation of NDCs in the context of national development plans, who should be the target recipients of capacity-building

(e.g. national government officers, local government officers, environmental agencies, civil society)?

Surely national government officers but more than ever regional and local. If NDC are not implement at local level hardly they can reach the targets

To support NDC implementation and planning in developing countries, what are your suggestions on how to improve capacity-building efforts?

At the national level:

Make constant update and revision of skills results and knowledge in order to test if the officer are on pace with current updates and evolutions

At the regional level:

Same as nationals, but with more case studies at local level

Good case studies, best practices, tools and methodologies, lessons learned, or examples of support:

Please describe any that build capacity to align NDC implementation with national development plans and/or to mainstream NDCs into national development plans

Milan Air-Climate Plan, and Region Lombardy adaptation plan

Useful sources:

Please give examples of useful sources relevant to this topic

(e.g. webpages and portals, publications, fora, organizations working on this issue)

https://www.comune.milano.it/piano-aria-clima

https://www.transparency-

partnership.net/system/files/document/Pocket%20Guide%20to%20NDCs.pdf

https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/wcc.589