

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:

Climate Change Management Department, Zimbabwe

Type of organization:

Please choose as appropriate:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Intergovernmental organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Development bank / financial institution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> UN and affiliated organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-governmental organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International network, coalition, or initiative | <input type="checkbox"/> Research organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional network, coalition, or initiative | <input type="checkbox"/> University/education/training organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public sector entity | <input type="checkbox"/> Private sector entity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Development agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropic organization |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) : <i>Government</i> |

Organization Location

City: Harare

Country: Zimbabwe

Scale of operation:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Global | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local | <input type="checkbox"/> Subregional |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National | <input type="checkbox"/> Transboundary |

City(ies)/Country(ies) of operation (if appropriate):

Zimbabwe

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:
<i>the key interventions?</i> <i>Resource mobilization for NDCs and National Development Plans implementation; Capacity building and awareness raising for key stakeholders; implementation of NDCs, LEDS and other climate-related documents</i>
<i>the enabling conditions?</i> <i>Political will at highest level; focal points in all sectors; formulation of bankable projects to mobilise more resources</i>
<i>the key institutional barriers?</i> <i>Low levels of awareness; lack of technical capacity and proper institutional arrangements for NDCs implementation at national and sub-national levels; insufficient financial resources for implementation of NDCs and National Development Plans</i>
<i>the capacity gaps and capacity-building needs?</i> <i>Strengthen institutional capacities for implementation of NDCs and National Development Plans</i> <i>lack of a data archiving system which creates transparency and improves credibility and also provide a clear starting point for future reporting to the UNFCCC</i> <i>lack of systematic GHG inventory quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) and verification plan; insufficient financial resources to cover all the key sectors the country should be reporting on</i> <i>Development of a National Capacity Building Framework and Plan that covers mitigation, adaptation, finance and technology targeting major climate change sector players</i>

the knowledge and skills priorities?

- *Development of bankable project proposals to mobilise financial resources from international finance mechanisms for implementation of NDCs and National Development Plans*
- *Capacity building for transparent reporting to the UNFCCC*
- *Awareness raising for behavior change*
- *Strengthening participation of relevant stakeholders including non-state actors including academia and research centres in NDCs and National Development Strategy implementation*

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)?

National Government Officers, parastatals, civil society organisations and the private sector

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

At the national level:

Appoint NDC focal points from all sectors and hold meetings periodically

Mobilise financial resources for capacity building programmes at national and sub-national levels

Raise awareness about NDCs and national development plans

At the regional level:

Conduct regional experience sharing workshops/ seminars

Mobilise resources for regional capacity building programmes

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

- Mobilisation of resources from the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) Platform
- Having focal points in all ministries and organisations who will push forward the agenda of NDC implementation
- Capacity building information sharing

Useful sources:

Please give examples of useful sources relevant to this topic

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

www.climatechange.org.zw

<https://www.cbitplatform.org/>

<https://unccelearn.org/>

<https://www.unclearn.org/>