

# 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 enhance technical exchange on capacity-building. It determined, in its 2021-2024 work plan, 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 work plan 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](mailto: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:**

United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS) Bonn,  
Germany

**Type of organization:**

Please choose as appropriate:

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intergovernmental organization                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Development bank / financial institution   |
| <input checked="" 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) _____               |

**Organization Location**

City: Bonn

Country: Germany

**Scale of operation:**

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

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

## 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.

<b>In implementing NDCs and national development plans in a coherent manner, in your experience, what are:</b>
<i>the key interventions?</i> -Taking stock and reporting progress on NDC. Developing indicators and an MRV system. -Developing a finance strategy and a portfolio of bankable projects -Alignment with sectorial policies and sub-national governments
<i>the enabling conditions?</i> Data availability and accessibility, Human resources, Integration of NDCs into national and sub-national planning, access to climate finance, leadership
<i>the key institutional barriers?</i> Lack of capacity, lack of funding, not inclusive (private sector not involve)
<i>the capacity gaps and capacity-building needs?</i> Lack of awareness of climate interventions, lack of capacities, tools and governance mechanisms to transversalize climate action in subnational and sectorial plans, presenting a proper and transparent report, capacities to develop a bankable climate project
<i>the knowledge and skills priorities?</i> -Processes to take stock and how to write a report -How to measure adaptation and climate resilience. -Identify a climate problem and a climate solution and develop the financial mechanisms or bankable project -Long term Strategies and Pathways to 2050 -Leadership skills to lead transition processes

<p><b>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)?</b></p>
<p>National government officers, Universities, private sector, sub-national governments, youth</p>
<p><b>To support NDC implementation and planning in developing countries, what are your suggestions on how to improve capacity-building efforts?</b></p>
<p><i>At the national level:</i></p> <p>Target capacity building to government employees, linking universities research to government processes, engaging youth early enough to these processes.</p>
<p><i>At the regional level:</i></p> <p>Building south-south cooperation, organizing regional capacity building events, webinars etc., create an online knowledge sharing platform</p>
<p><b>Good case studies, best practices, tools and methodologies, lessons learned, or examples of support:</b></p>
<p><i>Please describe any that build capacity to align NDC implementation with national development plans and/or to mainstream NDCs into national development plans</i></p> <p><i>Global Cooperation for Climate Action: Southern engagement with Climate Negotiations and Commitments 2020-2023</i> is a project that seeks to strengthen the capacity of 84 young leaders from 6 countries to develop, implement and report progress on national climate action, through a South-South virtual training platform. <b>It also</b> Foster the participation and engagement of researchers and practitioners (with a particular focus on women leaders) from the Global South in international climate forums, including the UNFCCC Conference of Parties (COPs) 26 to 28, and technical assessment meetings.</p>
<p><b>Useful sources:</b></p>
<p><i>Please give examples of useful sources relevant to this topic (e.g. webpages and portals, publications, fora, organizations working on this issue)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fundación Avina, Calle Evelio Lara, 131B, Ciudad del Saber, Panamá City, Panamá</li> <li>- United Nations University – Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS) Bonn; Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, 53113 Bonn, Germany</li> <li>- Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, FLACSO Ecuador - La Pradera E7-174 &amp; Diego de Almagro, Quito, Ecuador</li> </ul> <p>Websites:</p> <p><a href="https://ndclac.org/">https://ndclac.org/</a></p> <p><a href="https://ehs.unu.edu/">https://ehs.unu.edu/</a></p> <p>Publications:</p> <p><a href="https://www.cambioclimaticoydecisiones.org/documentos-e-informes/">https://www.cambioclimaticoydecisiones.org/documentos-e-informes/</a></p> <p>Funded by: International Development Research Centre (IDRC)</p>