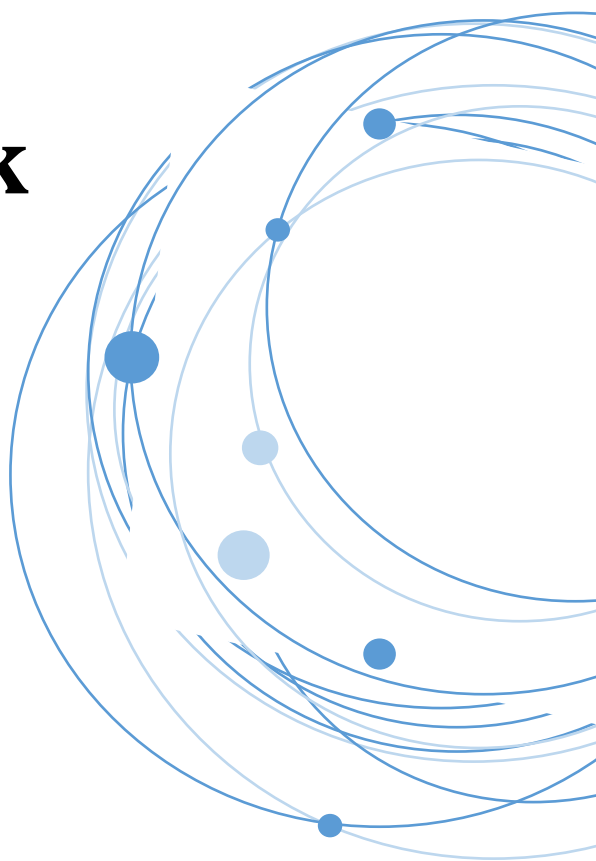
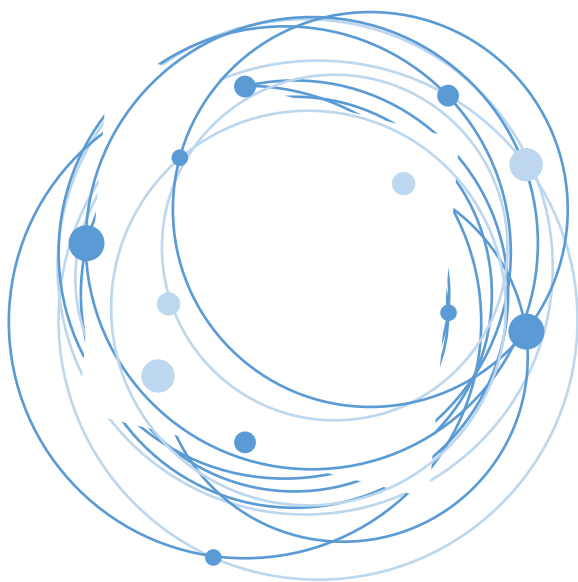


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The PCCB Network Concept Note



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Why a network?

Background and Purpose

In 2019, the **Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB)** published its [*Strategic Plan for Stakeholder Engagement, Communication, and Resource Mobilization*](#) to enhance the implementation of its rolling workplan and foster a shared vision of priorities. It also recognizes the importance of sharing information and results of activities among capacity-building actors and stakeholders. An important tool in accomplishing the PCCB's mission, is the **PCCB Network**, a leveraging platform to foster coherence and coordination in capacity-building efforts.

The goal of the **PCCB Network** is to foster synergies in capacity-building efforts for the implementation of the Paris Agreement. The work of the PCCB Network covers activities under and outside the Convention and is aligned with the PCCB's work areas:



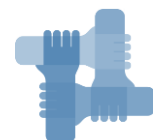
Coherence and coordination on capacity-building under and outside the Convention



Identifying capacity gaps and needs in climate change related capacity-building



Awareness-raising, communications and stakeholder engagement on climate change-related capacity-building



Cross-cutting issues in climate change-related capacity-building

What is the PCCB Network?

Focus and Activities

In the spirit of partnership, the PCCB seeks to engage organizations at local, national, regional, and global levels in the **PCCB Network**. In line with the PCCB's mandate, the **PCCB Network** aims at facilitating access to information and knowledge on climate action, across sectors, regions, and governance levels. The Network enables:



Proactive, **multi-stakeholder partnerships** and **enhanced participatory processes** to assist developing countries in **building** and **retaining** their **climate capacity**;



Innovative ventures in unexamined areas of **cross-sector capacity-building** to enable greater coherence and coordination;



Mapping and **linking** capacity-building actors and stakeholders across sectors and at different levels, to support **synergic actions** and **avoid duplication** of efforts;



A systemic process of **knowledge management** and **dissemination** of up-to-date **information** in the flourishing community of capacity-building for climate action;



Co-production and **exchange** of knowledge and experience to support **effective** implementation of capacity-building initiatives.

Why join the PCCB Network?

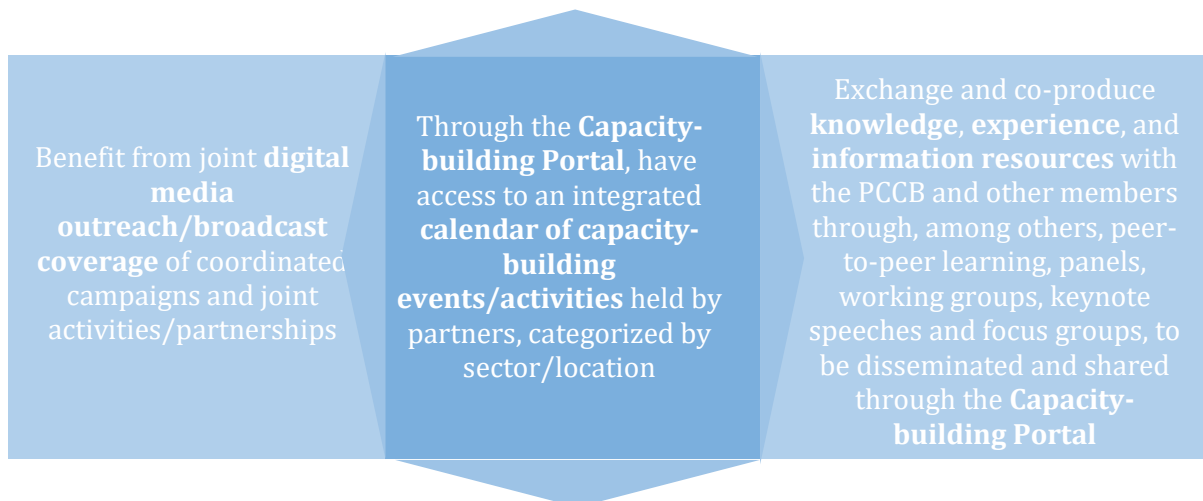
Significance and Opportunities

Members of the **PCCB Network** join forces with the PCCB to be at the forefront of climate action capacity-building efforts. The Network aims to provide a thriving environment for members to:

Engage in concrete **opportunities** for effective **networking** and **collaboration** with relevant actors in climate-related capacity-building at different levels around the world

Participate in **discussions** surrounding the work of the PCCB, and contribute to achieving the objectives on **capacity-building** under the Convention and the Paris Agreement

Co-organize **events** with the PCCB and other members of the Network, and participate in events (co-)organized by PCCB e.g. **Capacity-building Hub** and **Capacity-building Knowledge to Action Days**, with **prioritized attendance** and **early-bird invitations**



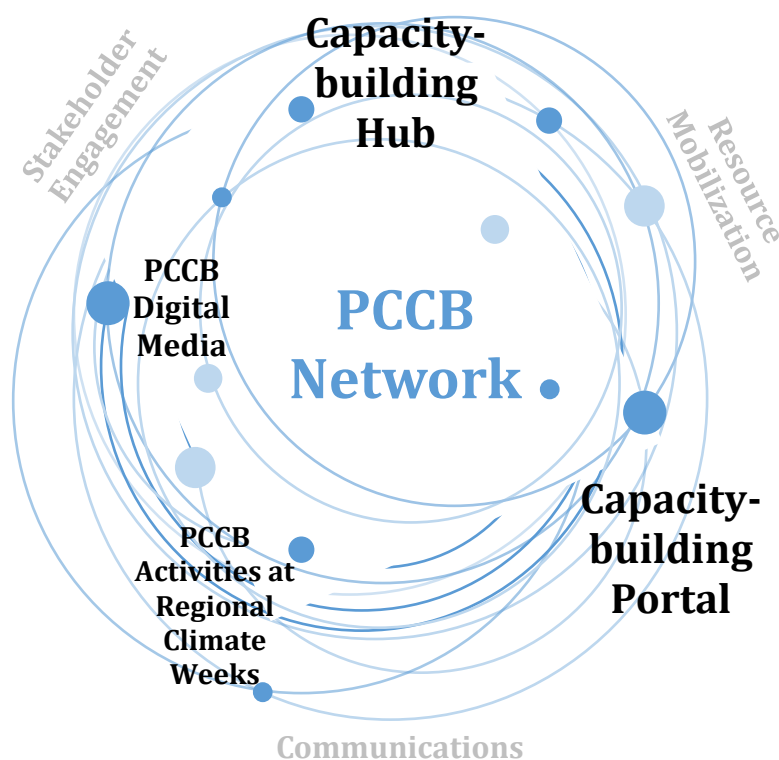
Participation in the **PCCB Network** comes in **various forms**, utilizing **members' unique expertise and resources**. The contribution of members to the Network may vary from providing updated information and outreach material on a regular basis, to involvement in the Network's activities in the margin of international, regional, and national climate events or conferences.

What does the Network offer to members?

Coherence and Impact

The **PCCB Network** provides an overview of the capacity-building activities carried out by its members. Whether it is an **event**, an **online training course**, a **technical workshop**, a **discussion paper**, a **pilot project**, a **technical tool** or a **brainstorming session**, the Network continually mobilizes and showcases collective efforts, highlights synergic areas of work, and enables effective partnerships for higher climate ambition among its members.

The activities under the **PCCB Network** are closely linked with other elements of the PCCB's Strategic Plan for Stakeholder Engagement, Communication, and Resource Mobilization; most notably the [Capacity-building Portal](#) and the [Capacity-building Hub](#). These two platforms, together with the PCCB's social media tools, will multiply the outcomes of the **PCCB Network**, the former through digital means, and the latter during annual gatherings of climate actors at the UNFCCC COPs.



Where do we go from here?

Prospects and Outlook

The **PCCB Network** is a work in progress, striving to be a fit-for-purpose platform to enhance climate action for capacity-building in a holistic and systematic way, through the active participation of its members. The development of the Network, therefore, follows a flexible **milestone-approach** to remain relevant to the current and emerging capacity-building needs and gaps of countries and other actors.

At COP25 the PCCB presented the concept of the Network during a dedicated **PCCB Network Consultation Meeting** at the **2nd Capacity-building Hub**. Based on the inputs received, the PCCB agreed to launch a one-year pilot phase for the implementation of the Network, starting with an open **Call for Expressions of Interest** from stakeholders to become a member of the Network in March 2020, and concluding with an evaluation of the pilot-phase in 2021.



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