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Latest News

New Era of Global Climate Action to Begin Under Paris Climate Change Agreement



Katowice, Poland, 15 December 2018 - Governments have adopted a robust set of guidelines for implementing the landmark 2015 Paris Climate Change Agreement.

The Katowice Climate Package is designed to operationalize the climate change regime in the Paris Agreement, promote international cooperation and encourage greater ambition.

The guidelines will promote trust among nations that all countries are playing their part in addressing the challenge of climate change.

Read the full article [here](#)

NAMA Facility Launches 6th Call

Submission deadline 15 March 2019, 3 pm CET



On 10 December 2018 at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP24), the NAMA Facility launched its 6th call for the submissions of NAMA Support Project Outlines. Application information and related documents are available [here](#).

The NAMA Facility will hold webinars introducing the 6th call and providing clarifications on 16 January and 13 February. For more information visit the NAMA Facility's [website](#) and sign up for its [newsletter](#). The NAMA Facility looks forward to receiving your Outline submission.

Growing number of CERs expected against Colombian carbon tax at the end of 2018



About the Colombian carbon tax:

Colombia promotes action against climate change through application of a carbon tax of about USD5/tCO₂e payable by producers and importers of fuels <[See the ABC Guidance Document \(in Spanish\) issued by the Colombian Authorities for additional information](#)>. Carbon taxpayers qualifying as "carbon neutral," by way of exception, would not be subject to carbon tax. To request the non-taxation of the national carbon tax, the final user who can certify that he/she is a carbon neutral must submit a non-taxation request, prior to the date of causation, to the taxpayer indicating the amount of fuel neutralized in cubic meters (m³) or gallons (gal) and its equivalence in tons of carbon dioxide (ton CO₂).

The non-taxation request shall be accompanied by a verification statement (e.g. CDM Verification Report) and the support of voluntary cancellation of the reductions of emissions or removals of GEI canceled in favor to the taxpayer. (Voluntary cancellation support is equivalent to the voluntary cancellation certificate issued by the Executive Board of the Clean Development Mechanism).

Source: [RCC Panama](#)

Looking for climate funding?
Identify potential funding sources and learn how to access them

The [Climate Funding Opportunities](#) website lists funding opportunities, categorized under the headings: agencies, alliances, associations, donations, funds, initiatives, loans, programmes, and other. It indicates where funding can be used, who is providing the funding, what the funding can be used for, which types of organizations qualify for funding, and how to apply.

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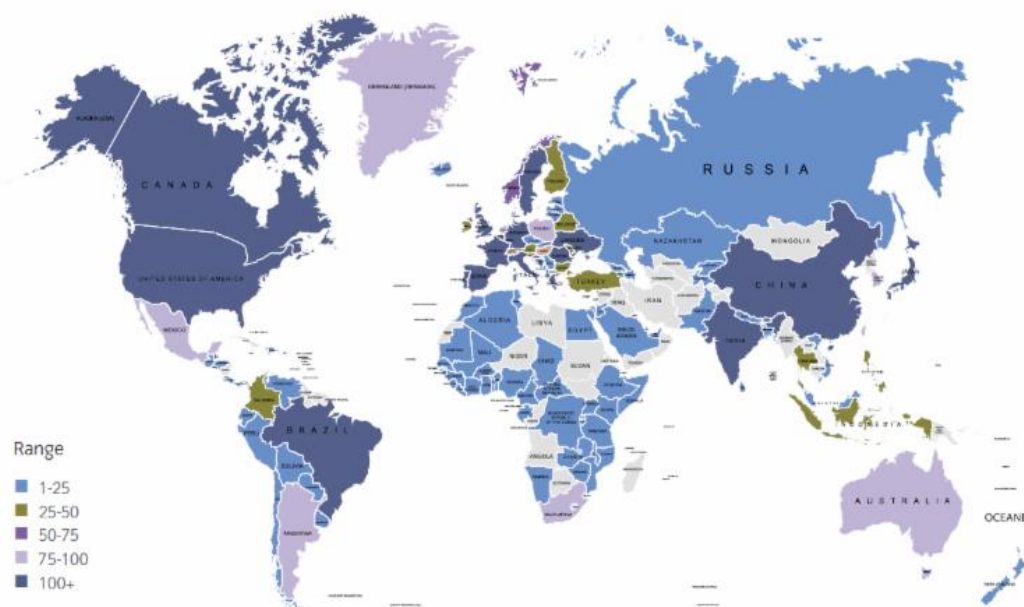
Source NDC Partnership / REGATTA

Yearbook of Global Climate Action 2018 Marrakech Partnership

UN Climate Change secretariat and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action have published the Yearbook for Global Climate Action, which emphasizes that all actors must urgently accelerate the pace of climate action to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement and avoid the worst effects of climate change.

The yearbook considers approximately 9,000 commitments from cities, regions, businesses, investors and civil society, incorporating 128 countries, 240 states and regions, and more than 6,000 businesses representing USD36 trillion in economic activity.

The yearbook outlines ways to accelerate climate action through: strengthening finance; setting the right policies; sharing and creating knowledge about high-potential solutions; recognizing and showcasing existing action; and enhancing integration.



Source: Global Climate Action portal (NAZCA)

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This image is from the Yearbook - drawing on data from the Global Climate Action portal (NAZCA) - and depicts the number of stakeholders taking action in all regions of the world. Whilst Europe is the region that has seen the greatest increase in stakeholders between 2016 and October 2018, the number of stakeholders in Asia, Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean also shows clear growth, increasing by approximately 30, 20 and 20 per cent respectively.

The full Yearbook can be viewed [here](#)



CDM Executive Board seeks members for panels and R&I team

The CDM Executive Board is seeking members for its Methodologies Panel and Accreditation Panel, and to renew its roster of external Registration and Issuance Team experts. A call for new members is now open, until 28 Jan 2019.

Follow the links to learn more about how you can put your skills to work for the Clean Development Mechanism.

[Registration and Issuance Team >>](#) [Methodologies Panel >>](#) [Accreditation Panel >>](#)

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We look forward to hearing from you!



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