



United Nations Climate Change  
PCCB Network

# PCCB Network

# PILOT PHASE EVALUATION

# REPORT 2020-2022

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# BACKGROUND

## The PCCB Network

The PCCB Network was established by the Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) as a platform to enhance coherence and coordination of climate-related capacity-building initiatives and activities. Created as a leveraging platform for capacity-building stakeholders, the PCCB Network aims to foster the engagement of relevant stakeholders in such efforts, draw expertise from a broad range of members in identifying capacity-building gaps and needs of developing countries, and facilitate access to information and knowledge on capacity-building to support climate action.

Following a stepwise approach, the PCCB Network was launched in April 2020 in its pilot phase. The work of the network is guided by a task force consisting of the leads of the PCCB's four working groups, supported by the UNFCCC Capacity-building team. The PCCB has mobilised the task force to guide and oversee the implementation of the PCCB Network's pilot phase.

## Vision & Objectives

The PCCB Network was envisioned as a voluntary association of interested stakeholders engaged in climate-related capacity-building who can share information on good practices of their work, contribute to the work of PCCB in fulfilling its mandate, and seek to connect with their peers across sectors and regions. The goal of the PCCB Network is to foster synergies and enhance coherence and coordination in capacity-building efforts for climate action.

Activities of the PCCB Network align with the PCCB's priority 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.

# BACKGROUND

Under the umbrella of these work areas, the PCCB Network activities can be clustered as follows:



## Technical exchanges & peer learning:

webinars, workshops, peer-to-peer learning, open call for technical inputs, and compendiums.



## Communications & Outreach:

newsletters, stories, podcasts, postcards, interviews, and blog posts.

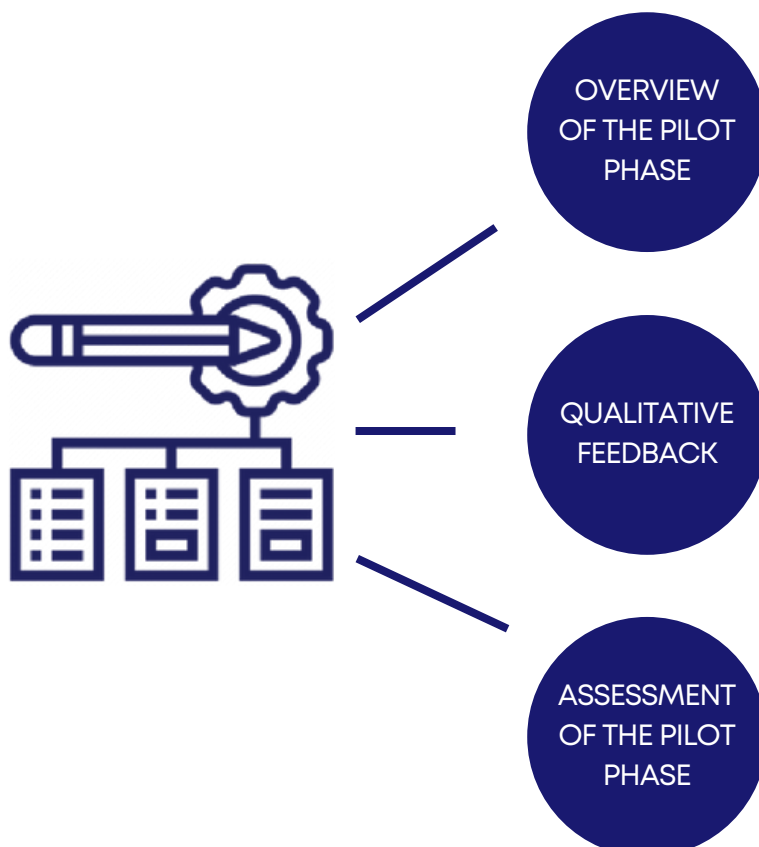


## Networking & Engagement:

all-member meetings, regional meetups, surveys, and open call for proposals.

## The Approach of the Evaluation Framework

The PCCB at its 6th meeting in June 2022 decided on the [PCCB Network Pilot Phase Evaluation Framework](#) which consists of the following:



### Reports

- Annual Reports
- Event Reports
- Outcomes articles

### Surveys

- Annual surveys
- Post-event surveys

Via semi-structured interviews with diverse network members

- Active members & Inactive members
- Members that joined in 2020 & 2021

In alignment with PCCB's strategies

# NETWORK IN NUMBERS

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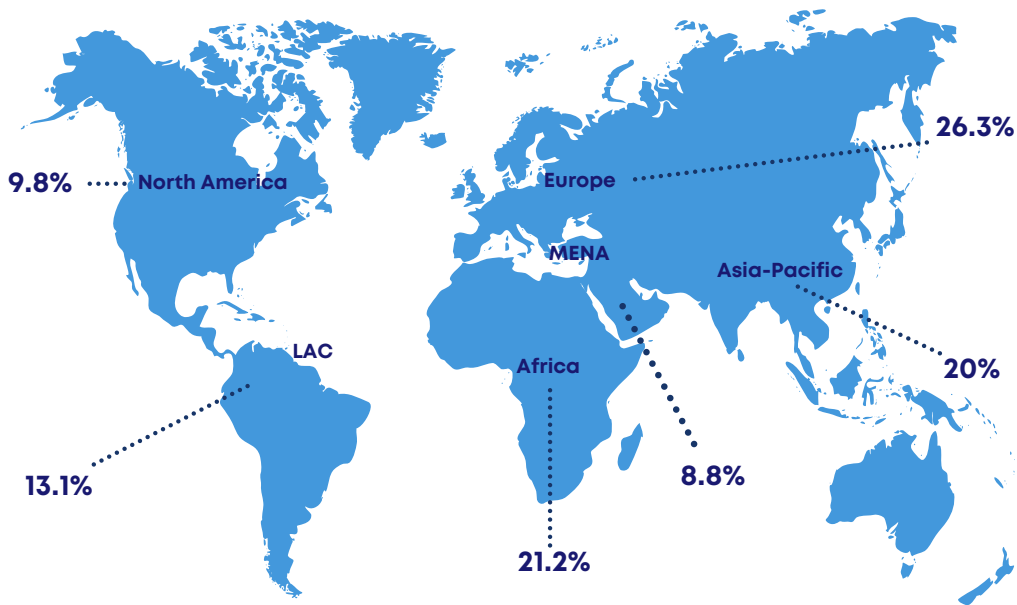
members

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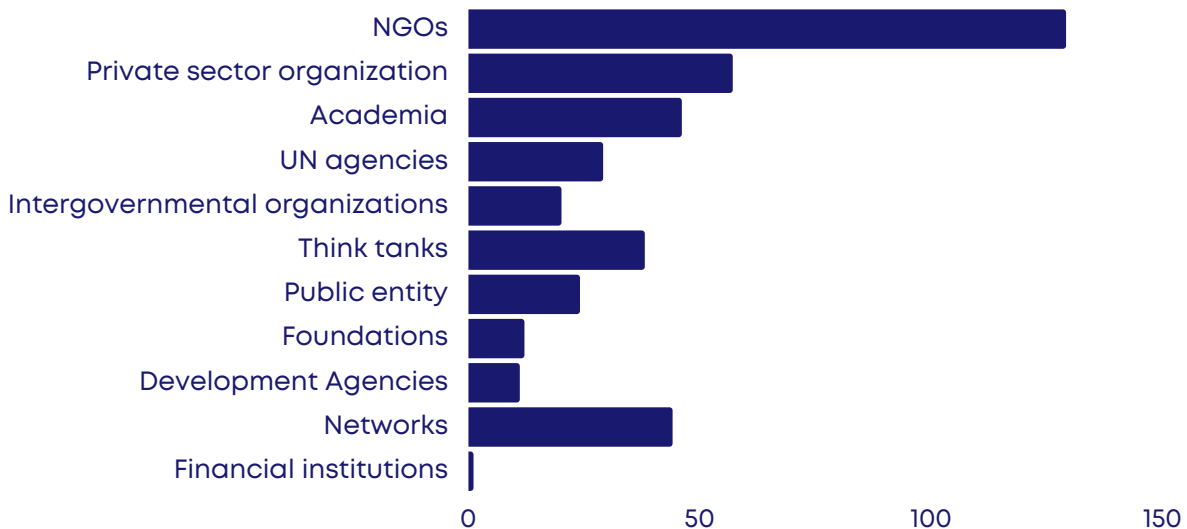
countries

Within the first year, the Network was joined by 224 members, ranging from local, national, and global organizations all with a focus on capacity-building efforts. Since then, the Network grew to over 300 members, reflecting a consistent growth of over 10 percent each year.

## Regional Distribution

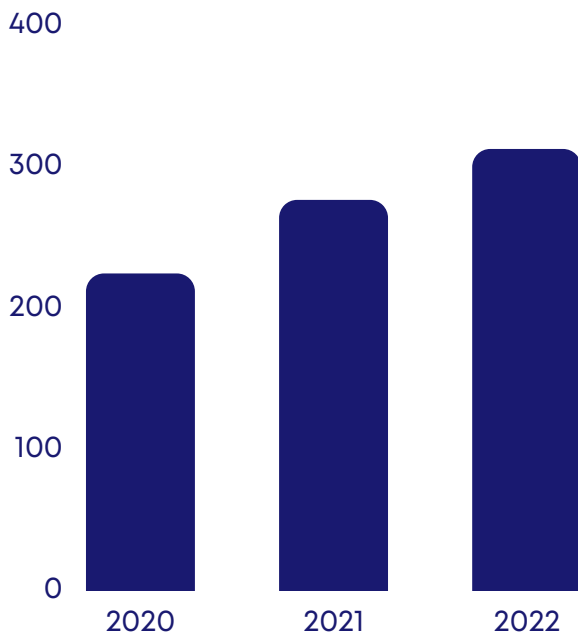


## Type of Institutions



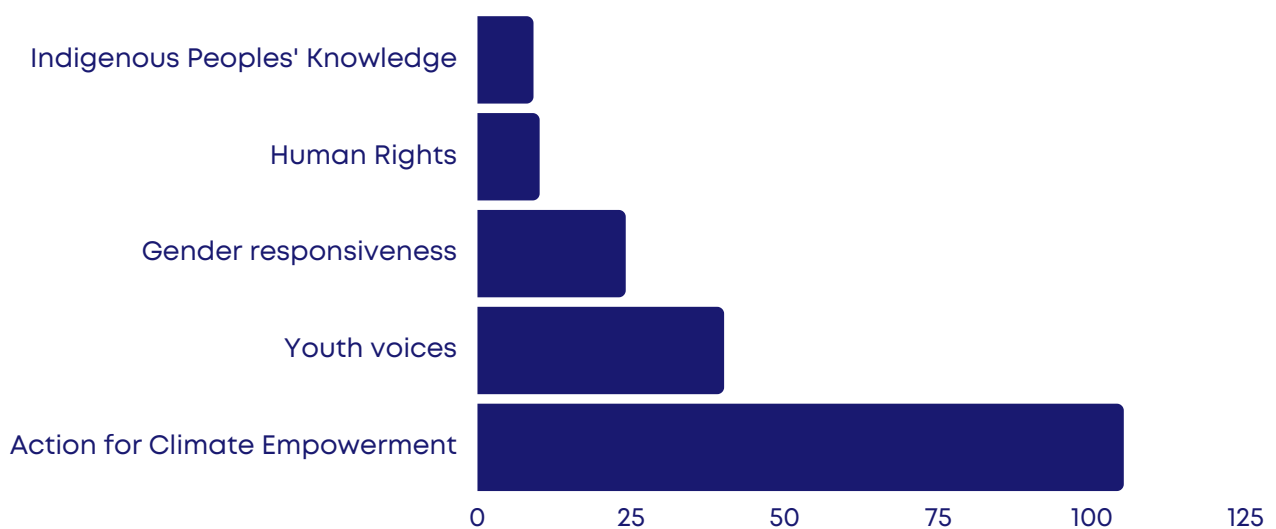
# NETWORK IN NUMBERS

## Network Growth

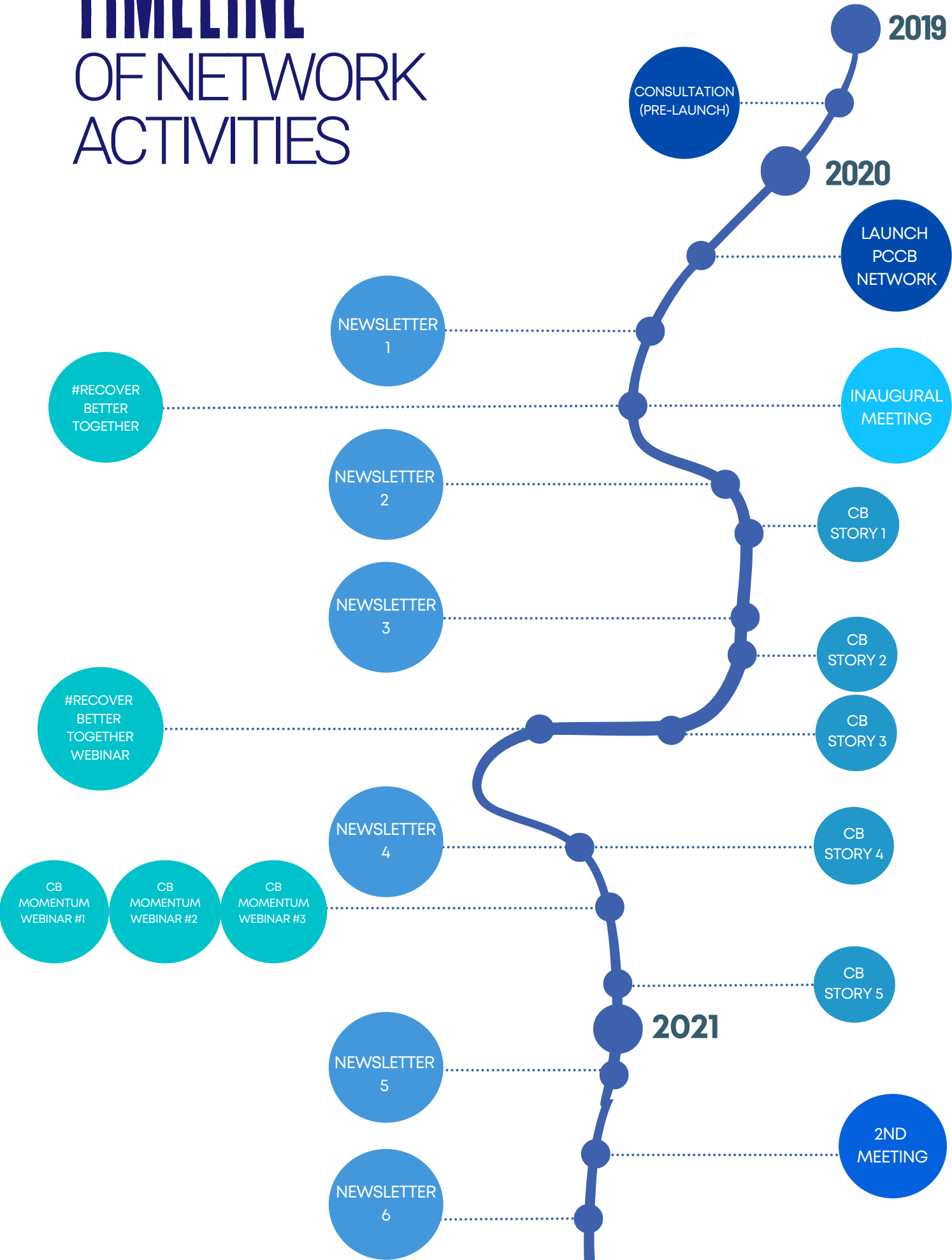


Within the first year, the Network was joined by 224 members, ranging from local, national, and global organizations all with a focus on capacity-building efforts. Since then, the Network grew to over 312 members, reflecting consistent growth. After an initial surge in membership, with 23% growth in the first year, the Network grew with 13% in its second year. The Network continued to develop its modalities and processes to enhance the efforts and activities of its members.

## Institutions focused on Crosscutting Issues

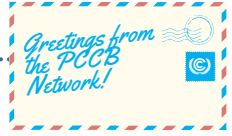


# TIMELINE OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES





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CLIMATE STORYTELLERS: BUILD  
CLIMATE STORYTELLERS: FIND  
CLIMATE STORYTELLERS: MAKE  
CLIMATE STORYTELLERS: COMMUNICATE

CB  
STORY 2.0

NEWSLETTER  
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ICCCAD  
WEBINAR

ICCCAD  
WEBINAR

REGIONAL  
MEETUP #1

IRI  
WEBINAR

CB  
STORY 2.1

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3RD  
MEETING

OECD  
WORKSHOP  
#1

OECD  
WORKSHOP  
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SLYCAN  
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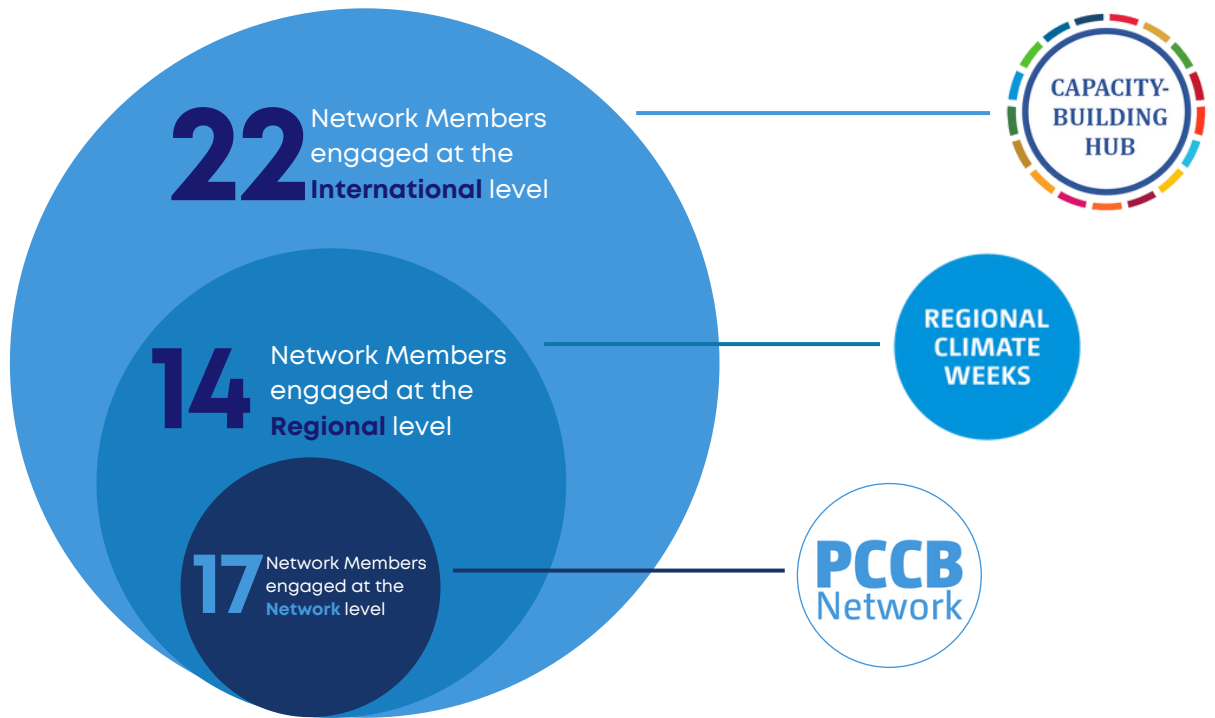
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# SCOPE OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

The PCCB Network engages with its members at various levels, namely at the Network member-to-member level, the Regional level, and the International level. By conducting its activities in this way, the Network is able to perform a variety of roles through facilitating events, enhancing collaboration, and identifying capacity gaps and needs at each level.



## at the INTERNATIONAL LEVEL



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### LEAD PARTNERS



### ORGANIZERS



# at the REGIONAL LEVEL

REGIONAL  
CLIMATE  
WEEKS

A world map with various regional logos placed over different continents. The logos include:

- YOUNGO** OFFICIAL YOUTH CONSTITUENCY OF THE UNFCCC
- Arab Youth Climate Movement Qatar** أرب يوث كلايمنت موقمنت قطر
- INSTITUTE FOR CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES**
- ICCCAD** International Centre for Climate Change and Development
- SLYCAN TRUST**
- NDC PARTNERSHIP** (North America)
- IDRC · CRDI** International Development Research Centre / Centre de recherches pour le développement international
- FLACSO** ECUADOR
- GGGI**
- Canada**
- WWF**
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# at the NETWORK LEVEL

A network diagram with a central node and several surrounding nodes connected by lines. The logos include:

- PCCB Network**
- Digital Storytellers**
- CLEAR Environmental**
- CLIMATE CHANCE**
- UNDP**
- giz** Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
- CLIMATE GROUP**
- NAP Global Network**
- ADAPTATION FUND**
- SLYCAN TRUST**
- impulsouth** GLOBAL COOPERATION FOR CLIMATE ACTION
- COLUMBIA CLIMATE SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR CLIMATE AND SOCIETY**
- WORLD RESOURCES INSTITUTE**
- OECD**
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations**
- UNEP DTU PARTNERSHIP** Adaptation Research Alliance
- ICCCAD** International Centre for Climate Change and Development

# OVERVIEW OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

How the PCCB Network has fostered collaborations with members:

- **2020:** During the PCCB Network's first year, the priority was placed on launching various Network activities such as the [Capacity-building Stories](#) as well as the [PCCB Network Newsletter](#). Events like the [#Recover Better Together](#) webinar and the [Capacity-building momentum series](#) played a key role in convening Network members for the first time since its launch.
- **2021:** In the second year, the focus shifted to a more member-lead approach, where Network members were encouraged to organize and lead their own events under the umbrella of the PCCB Network. The [Climate Storytellers](#) workshop series was a successful example of a member-led collaborative effort. This shift led to an increase in collaborations between Network members, with organizations such as [CLEAR Environmental](#) and [Digital Storytellers](#) forming partnerships to deliver activities.

- **2022:** At the end of the pilot phase, there was an emphasis on strengthening collaborations. Network members responded to a call for expression of interest where they indicated the other members that they wanted to collaborate with. The PCCB played the role of being the convener and facilitator by providing a platform for collaboration to members such as the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ([OECD](#)), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit ([GIZ](#)), the [NDC Partnership](#), the United Nations University ([UNU](#)), and many more.

Performance of the PCCB Network according to Annual Surveys:

## 2020:

- 94% of respondents rated their experience with the PCCB Network positively.
- 82% found the PCCB Network a good platform to expand their professional network or form new collaborations and partnerships.
- Members voted **online events** and meetings as their favorite Network activity.

## 2021:

- 76% responded positively about their general experience with the PCCB Network.
- 66% felt positively about opportunities through the PCCB Network to expand their professional network or form new collaborations and partnerships.
- Members voted the **Newsletter** as their favorite Network activity.

# OVERVIEW OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

Over the first two years of the PCCB Network, multiple activities in collaboration with PCCB Network members took place to foster stakeholder engagement, communication and resource mobilization for capacity-building.

All of these PCCB Network activities addressed individual topics and cross-cutting issues.

Technical Exchanges & Peer-Learning Activities - Cross-cutting Issues	Youth	Gender	Indigenous People	Human Rights	Action for Climate Empowerment
Oct 2020 <u>#Recover Better Together Webinar</u> GIZ, CDKN, WRI: CB in COVID-19 times (#enhanced NDCs)					Raising awareness
Nov 2020 <u>#Recover Better Together - Capacity-building momentum Webinar Series</u> ICCCAD - Adaptation Fund: <u>Capacity-building for enhancing resilience at the local level</u>			Raising awareness		Raising awareness
The Climate Group - Climate Chance Association: <u>World café discussion on virtual capacity-building: Do's, don'ts, and doubts</u>					
UNEP-DTU Partnership - UNDP: <u>NDC enhancement: lessons learned in capacity needs, challenges and opportunities</u>					
Aug 2021 <u>ICCCAD Webinar: Role of Universities in Building Long-term Climate Capacities</u>	Academia, Adaptation, AFOLU, Training				Academia, Finance, AFOLU, Training, Resilience
Aug-Sep 2021 <u>Digital Storytellers: Climate Storytellers Event series</u>					Raising awareness, Media Training
Oct 2021 <u>ICCCAD Webinar: Expected Outcomes from COP26 - Climate Vulnerable Countries Perspectives</u>	Finance, Energy	Finance		Adaptation, Mitigation	Finance, Energy, DRR, Adaptation, Mitigation
Oct 2021 <u>IRI Webinar: Traditional Knowledge and Climate Science Products: What Climate Information to Support Adaptation?</u>			AFOLU, Adaptation, Biodiversity, Education		Adaptation, Academia, AFOLU

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# OVERVIEW OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

Technical Exchanges & Peer-Learning Activities - Cross-cutting Issues	Youth	Gender	Indigenous People	Human Rights	Action for Climate Empowerment
May-Oct 2022 OECD-PCCB Network Event Series May 2022 - Workshop #1 <a href="#">OECD - The Commonwealth: Capacity Development to support developing countries access climate-related finance</a>					Finance, Data Science, Adaptation
June 2022 - Workshop #2 <a href="#">OECD-IRI: Climate services and data: a capacity development agenda</a>				Climate Change Data	Education, Finance, Data Science, Adaptation
Oct 2022 - Workshop #3 <a href="#">OECD - NAP Global Network: Partnerships for capacity development and climate change</a>					Finance, Adaptation, Academia
Sep 2022 <a href="#">SLYCAN Trust - UNU-EHS Webinar: Comprehensive and intersectional approaches on capacity-building for the integration of human mobility into NDCs and climate-resilient national development planning</a>	Migration, Adaptation				Adaptation, Resilience, DRR, Education, AFOLU, Data Science, MRV
Sep 2022 <a href="#">ARA-CDKN-GRPS-ICCCAD Webinar: Empowering southern practitioners through innovative small grants</a>		Academia, Adaptation			Finance, Adaptation, Resilience
Oct 2022 <a href="#">FAO - UNDP - BMWK - IKI Webinar: Mainstreaming gender equality in budgeting and planning processes for enhanced implementation of agriculture-sector priorities in NDCs/NAPs</a>		Finance, AFOLU	AFOLU, Adaptation		Adaptation, AFOLU, Education
Oct 2022 <a href="#">Impulsouth - Adaptation Fund Webinar: An agenda to build capacities in adaptation planning: findings from research in the global south</a>	Education	Oceans, AFOLU, Finance, Education			Finance, Adaptation, AFOLU, Oceans, Data Science

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# ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

All PCCB Network activities are categorized under three main pillars: (1) Technical exchanges and peer-learning activities, (2) Communication and outreach activities and (3) Networking and engagement activities.

In the following part of this report, the three categories of the PCCB Network's activities from the period of October 2020 to October 2022, were assessed in alignment with its strategies in awareness raising and engagement, inclusiveness and diversity, as well as in convening relevant stakeholders for capacity-building.

The **Technical Exchanges and Peer-Learning activities** of the PCCB Network aimed at exchanging knowledge, information and best practices, particularly in relation to identifying and addressing capacity-building needs and gaps, including through virtual events and technical dialogues.




























The **threshold** to assess the performance of the technical exchanges and peer-learning activities in its strategies were as follows:

Awareness Raising & Engagement	Inclusiveness & Diversity	Convening Stakeholders
> 150 registrations & > 100 participants	similar speakers & no cross-cutting issue	homogenous stakeholders
100-150 registrations & 50-100 participants	diverse speakers & 1-2 cross-cutting issues	variety of stakeholders
< 100 registrations & < 50 participants	very diverse speakers & > 2 cross-cutting issues	PCCB Network member-member collaboration

Technical Exchanges & Peer-Learning Activities:	Awareness Raising & Engagement	Inclusiveness & Diversity	Convening Stakeholders
<b>2020</b>			
GIZ, CDKN, WRI #Recover Better Together Webinar: CB in COVID-19 times (#enhanced NDCs)	●	●	●
#Recover Better Together - Capacity-building momentum Webinar Series ICCAD - Adaptation Fund: Capacity-building for enhancing resilience at the local level	●	●	●
The Climate Group - Climate Chance Association: World café discussion on virtual capacity-building: Do's, don'ts, and doubts	●	●	●
UNEP-DTU Partnership - UNDP: NDC enhancement: lessons learned in capacity needs, challenges and opportunities	●	●	●

● Exceeded expectations  
 ● As expected  
 ● Less than expected  
 ● Information is not applicable

# ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES





















Technical Exchanges & Peer-Learning Activities:	Awareness Raising & Engagement	Inclusiveness & Diversity	Convening Stakeholders
<b>2021</b>			
ICCCAD Webinar: Role of Universities in Building Long-term Climate Capacities			
Digital Storytellers: Climate Storytellers Event series			
ICCCAD Webinar: Expected Outcomes from COP26 - Climate Vulnerable Countries Perspectives			
IRI Webinar: Traditional Knowledge and Climate Science Products: What Climate Information to Support Adaptation?			
<b>2022</b>			
OECD-PCCB Network Event Series: Capacity Development for Climate Action & Ambition			
SLYCAN Trust - UNU-EHS Webinar: Comprehensive and intersectional approaches on capacity-building for the integration of human mobility into NDCs and climate-resilient national development planning			
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# ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

The **Communication and Outreach activities** of the PCCB Network aim to promote awareness-raising, boost outreach and facilitate access to useful knowledge and information related to capacity-building.

The **threshold** to assess the performance of the communication and outreach activities of the PCCB Network Newsletter is as follows:

Communications & Outreach activities	Awareness raising & Engagement	Inclusiveness & Diversity
<b>PCCB Network Newsletter</b>		
#1 May 2020		
#2 July 2020		
#3 October 2020		
#4 December 2020		
#5 March 2021		
#6 May 2021		
#7 July 2021		
#8 September 2021		
#9 March 2022		
#10 August 2022		

Awareness Raising & Engagement	Inclusiveness & Diversity
> 30% of recipients opened the newsletter	> 10 members contributed to the newsletter
25-30% of the recipients opened the newsletter	10 members contributed to the newsletter
< 25% of the recipients opened the newsletter	< 10 members contributed to the newsletter

 Exceeded expectations  
  As expected  
  Less than expected  
  Information is not applicable



# ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

The **threshold** to assess the performance of the communication and outreach activities of the PCCB Network project "Capacity-building Stories" and the "Capacity-building Stories Podcast" are as follows:

## Awareness Raising & Engagement

## Convening Stakeholders

< 120 views on the PCCB YouTube Channel















homogenous stakeholders

120- 200 views on the PCCB YouTube Channel

variety of stakeholders

> 200 views on the PCCB YouTube Channel

PCCB Network member-member collaboration

Communications & Outreach activities	Awareness raising & Engagement	Convening Stakeholders
<b>CB Story Series &amp; CB Stories Podcast</b>		
<b>2020</b>		
CB Story #1   ICCCAD & CDKN Voices from the Frontline		
CB Story #2   NAP Global Network Capacity-building Knowledge to Action Days		
CB Story #3   FAO Transparency in AFOLU sectors Network		
CB Story #4   Edinburgh University Sustainable Scotland Network		
CB Story #5   Troiss Capacity Diagnosis & Development Matrix		
<b>2021</b>		
CB Stories Podcast #1   WOCAN Gender responsiveness		
CB Stories Podcast #2   YOUNGO, CYEN, AYICC You(th) in Capacity-building		

 Exceeded expectations 
  As expected 
  Less than expected 
  Information is not applicable

# ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK ACTIVITIES

Networking & Engagement Activities	Awareness raising & Engagement	Convening Stakeholders
<b>Annual PCCB Network Meetings</b>		
June 2020 <u>PCCB Network Inaugural Meeting</u>	●	●
April 2021 <u>Second Annual PCCB Network Meeting</u>	●	●
April 2022 <u>Third Annual PCCB Network Meeting</u>	●	●
<b>Regional Meet-Up</b>		
<u>Regional Meet-Up #1</u> Latin America & the Carribean, Africa & Asia-Pacific region	●	●

● Exceeded expectations	● As expected	● Less than expected
● Information is not applicable		

The **Networking and Engagement activities** of the PCCB Network aim to connect actors who are involved in climate-related capacity-building across sectors, regions and institutions.

Under the umbrella of the PCCB Network, meetings on a regional and thematic basis and all-member gatherings on special occasions, take place to foster collaboration, identify synergies, and boost coherence and coordination of efforts under and outside the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

The **threshold** to assess the performance of the networking and engagement activities in the form of the PCCB Network annual meetings and regional meet-ups are as follows:

## Awareness Raising & Engagement

## Convening Stakeholders

> 150 registrations  
&  
> 100 participants

low diversity  
in speakers

100-150 registrations  
&  
50-100 participants

diverse  
speakers

< 100 registrations  
&  
< 50 participants

high diversity  
in speakers

# QUALITATIVE FEEDBACK

As determined by the [PCCB Network Pilot Phase Evaluation Framework](#), that the PCCB agreed upon at its [6th meeting](#), qualitative feedback was one of the pillars of the evaluation process. As such, a variety of PCCB Network members were asked to participate in a questionnaire consisting of five questions via Google Forms. This process

included reaching out to active Network members - a member organization who had collaborated on a PCCB Network activity or product (such as the newsletter or CB Stories podcast series) and/or contributed to the Capacity-building Hub at the Conference of the Parties (COPs). 6 active members who joined the Network in 2020, and 6 active members who joined in 2021 were contacted and 10 responses were received. On the other hand, 10 inactive members from 2020 and 6 from 2021 were contacted, only 3 inactive members provided feedback. The following indicates the results of the questionnaires, as well as information on the respondents.

**81%**

membership of the PCCB Network benefited their organization and its mandate\*

**69%**

positive experience with participating in or leading PCCB Network activities\*

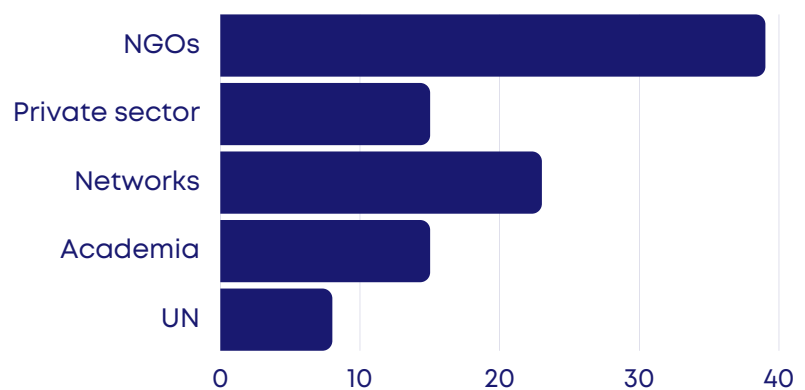
**42%**

membership of the PCCB Network led to collaborations with other member organizations\*

\*these values are calculated based on responses from both **active** and **inactive** members

**77%**  
active members

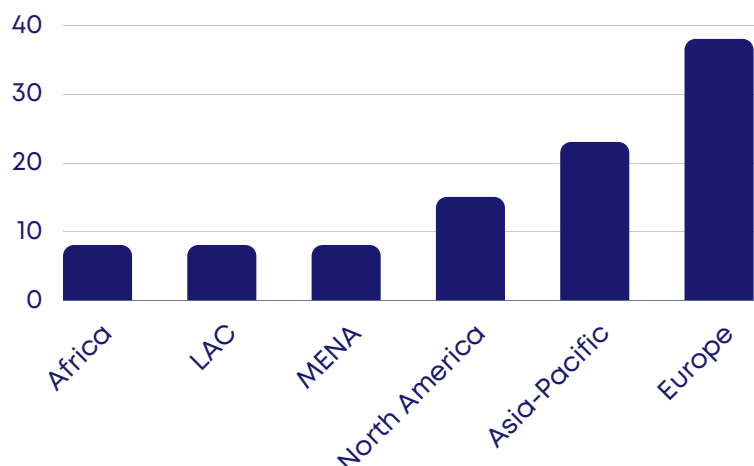
**23%**  
inactive members



**54%**  
female

**23%**  
youth

**8%**  
indigenous



# QUALITATIVE FEEDBACK

## Recommendations

When asked if their membership in the PCCB Network benefited their organization and its mandate, **80%** of **active members** interviewed responded positively. For example, the OECD responded: "Membership in the Network has helped us get access to a range of stakeholders working on capacity development issues in the area of climate change – helping us partner up to deliver concrete deliverables (i.e. workshops) [and] this, in turn, is helping us fulfil better our mandate to help donors be more effective at development co-operation."

On the other hand, **66%** of **inactive members** responded positively, highlighting that although they may not be directly involved in organizing or collaborating in Network activities, they continue to participate and learn through Network events.

One respondent noted that "youth continually face many systemic barriers to climate action which the PCCB Network has yet to provide solutions for, or may not even be in a position to provide solutions for within the scope of its mandate." This shows that although the Network included **40** member organizations focused on engaging youth and **26.7%** of Network events mainstreamed youth voices, there is a need for a more systematic and coordinated approach to engaging youth in climate action.

Recommendations for the future of the PCCB Network from **active members** included increasing the focus on "replicable models of capacity-building" with emphasis on local outreach, greater connection with funders for NGOs, more direct networking opportunities, and sustained development of the PCCB toolkit "by facilitating pilots of implementation, [and] peer learning."

Recommendations from **inactive members** included enhancing involvement and more networking opportunities. This highlights a need to further engage with inactive members and promoting network activities more often.

When asked whether the PCCB Network has supported the streamlining of crosscutting issues, **active members** noted that the PCCB Network had done so mainly by connecting organizations with crosscutting issues experts and organizations, with more emphasis placed on gender and youth inclusion. This suggests that the mainstreaming of human rights and indigenous people's knowledge can be improved.

# QUALITATIVE FEEDBACK

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I think the PCCB network has done an enormous effort and has done a great job in these years.

”

“

The Network has helped reach out to a number of [stakeholders], including international organisations, think tanks, private sector actors and academia – helping us partner up to deliver concrete deliverables (i.e. workshops) but also forging new relations for the benefit of our organisation and, ultimately, our members. This, in turn, is helping us fulfill better our mandate to help donors be more effective at development co-operation.

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*Digital Storytellers*

Digital Storytellers are so grateful to all the hard work that the PCCB Network team contributes

- we would have loved to participate more, but the difficulties of the past few years of declared pandemic has prevented us. We hope that we can achieve a LOT more together looking forward!

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We strongly encourage the PCCB to continue its work connecting like-minded organizations and matching the offer and the demand in the field of climate capacity building.

 COLUMBIA CLIMATE SCHOOL  
INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
FOR CLIMATE AND SOCIETY

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“

The PCCB has indeed been one of (lesser known) success stories of the UNFCCC process.



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Despite the room for improvement, we definitely consider this Pilot Phase of the PCCB Network a success. Many thanks, and keep up the great work.



# LOOKING FORWARD

The PCCB Network through its pilot phase has proven to be a critical vehicle for the PCCB to accomplish its mandate under its priority areas. Under the umbrella of the Network, the PCCB has been successful in facilitating collaborations and partnerships between capacity-building stakeholders, across sectors and regions. Such collaborations and partnerships have initiated conversations and efforts, with respect to, enhancing the coherence and coordination of climate-related

capacity-building initiatives and activities. This has and continues to support the priorities of the PCCB. As the Network transitions out of its pilot phase, the PCCB seeks to continue mobilizing the Network as a leveraging platform at all levels.

## Regional & cross-regional collaborations

While the day-to-day of the PCCB Network will continue to reflect and follow a member-driven approach with member-led priorities and activities, the PCCB seeks to bring such activities and outcomes at the network level to the regional and international levels. Through [PCCB's thematic dialogue series at the UNFCCC Regional Climate Weeks](#), the committee seeks to continue amplifying and drawing from the expertise of the Network members in the different regions as well as promoting **cross-regional collaborations**. The pilot phase of the Network has further highlighted the need to enhance communication and engagement between **South-South, South-North, and North-North stakeholders**. In this regard, the pilot phase has served as the starting point and the PCCB and its Network welcome such collaborations at and across the regions as the Network grows.

**Partnerships at the regional level** play a pivotal role in drawing expertise from a broad range of stakeholders in identifying capacity-building gaps and needs of developing countries, as well as, in facilitating access to information and knowledge on capacity-building to support climate action. In this setting, the pilot phase has also been pivotal in highlighting the role of and need for **network of networks**. Therefore, the PCCB through the Network seeks to explore such network "nestedness" and interactions based on thematic areas, sectoral priorities, and linguistic clusters.

## Cross-cutting issues

The PCCB Network and its membership reflects the **cross-cutting nature of capacity-building**. The PCCB seeks to continue mobilizing on the synergies between capacity-building and other cross-cutting issues such as gender responsiveness, youth inclusion, human rights, and indigenous peoples' knowledge, by enhancing **representation and meaningful inclusion** of marginalized groups within the Network. In this regard, the pilot phase has been pivotal in further highlighting capacity gaps related to language barriers, including its impacts of partnerships as well as knowledge and information exchange. Therefore, the next phase of the Network seeks to focus on identifying, sharing, and implementing innovative solutions that **bridge linguistic gaps**.

## The Capacity-building Hub

One of the flagship activities of the PCCB is the [Capacity-building Hub](#), a space of representation and collaboration for a wide array of stakeholders active in capacity-building related activities. Established in COP24, Katowice, the Capacity-building Hub takes place every year in the margin of COP. It brings together the knowledge and experience of capacity-building stakeholders at local, national and global levels, fosters the creation and dissemination of knowledge, and embodies the spirit of collaboration within the capacity-building community. It is a work in progress, a **continuous process of co-learning**, and an evolving platform for **exchange and co-creation of knowledge**, where the members of the PCCB Network have contributed to the success of the latest two editions of the Hub. [Parties and non-Party stakeholders were consulted in Madrid](#) at the 2nd Capacity-building Hub at COP25 which led to the launch of the pilot phase. Network members contributed to the 3rd Capacity-building Hub as lead partners and organizers at COP26 in Glasgow and the 4th Capacity-building Hub at COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh where the outcomes of the pilot phase, that this report delves into, were presented.

Every year, the PCCB mobilizes the expertise of its Network at the Hub, to deliver sessions on capacity-building trends, best practices, case-studies, as well as on progress made throughout the year. At the same time, the Hub also serves as a platform for Network members to connect with other members and diverse stakeholders, strengthening existing partnerships and creating space for more. The success of the two latest editions in conjunction with the pilot phase of the Network serves as proof-of-concept of the co-benefits between the PCCB's Hub and its Network. Therefore, the PCCB seeks to continue enabling and strengthening these co-benefits as the Hub and the Network continue to grow and evolve.

## What next?

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 PCCB seeks to continue consulting with Network members, Parties, and Observers through its annual meetings during the subsidiary bodies sessions in June, the Capacity-building Hubs at the COPs, as well as Network meetings and events throughout the year, in order to remain relevant to the current and emerging climate-related capacity-building needs and gaps of developing countries and new actors in the capacity-building space.

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