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Promoting Climate Action in Asia and the Pacific

Welcome readers to April – the month of Southeast Asia Harvest Festivals, Water and New Year Celebrations!

The UN and partners are boosting climate action in Asia by reaching out to stakeholders who have the ability to shift the needle on climate change. By signing up to ambitious climate action plans, these key actors complement the plans of national governments and contribute to our global goals. In this edition, we are pleased to [*share our engagement*](#), in collaboration with partners, to encourage nations, cities, youth, businesses and civil society to advance climate action and transition to a net-zero society.

RCC Bangkok encourages inputs from observer Parties and organizations to inform and support our new workplan and to enhance action on technology development and transfer.

Read on for more!

Your Partner in Climate Actions,
RCC Bangkok Team

RCC BANGKOK HIGHLIGHTS

RCC Bangkok at MENA Climate Week 2022: Global DNA Forum and Annual Global RCC Forum



On 28 March, along the sidelines of [*MENA Climate Week 2022*](#), RCC Bangkok presented on behalf of the six UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centres on “Capacity-building experience of regional collaboration centres” at the **Global DNA Forum**, an annual event for Designated National Authorities (DNAs) of the Clean Development Mechanism

(CDM), that provides platforms for DNA representatives to bring forward common views and issues to the attention of the CDM Executive Board (EB). This year, DNAs had the opportunity to reflect on their preparedness to use the Paris Agreement Article 6.4 mechanism and transition of CDM to this mechanism.

You can find more information about this event [here](#).



Additionally, RCC Bangkok also participated and presented at the **Global RCC Forum** on 31 March. This meeting offered an opportunity to promote the exchange of information, share experiences and exchange views among the partners hosting the RCCs, key regional partners of RCCs and the UNFCCC secretariat, with the view to build and enhance the capacity of the centers.

You can watch a recording of input by partners

[here](#).

Regional Youth Dialogue on Climate Action

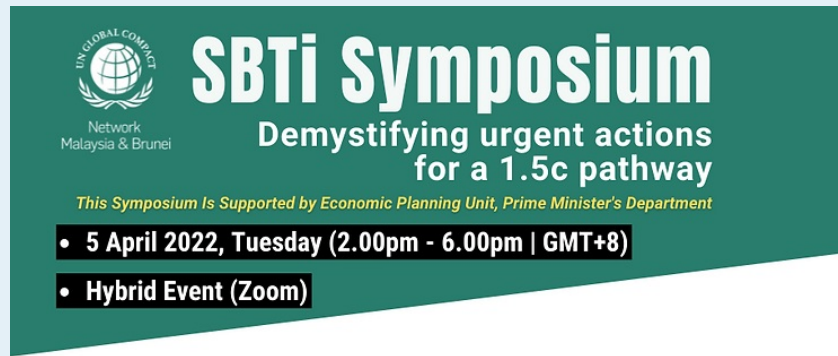


On 6-7 April, RCC Bangkok partnered with UNDP, UNICEF, UNEP, OHCHR, UNV, UNESCO, The British Council, YOUNGO, Movers Programme and 2030 Youth Force to co-organize the [YECAP Regional Dialogue](#). This is one of the key activities in the lead up to Stockholm+50 conference in June 2022.

Ina Parvanova, Director of the Communications and Engagement Division, opened the meeting by highlighting [YOUNGO](#) and its vision to empower children and youth to take action. We must empower youth, enhance their skills and develop their capacity to drive ambitious climate action and policies at all levels. RCC Bangkok will engage with youth from the region through YECAP to build their capacity to lead ACE implementation and promote youth participation aligned with the [Glasgow WP on ACE](#).

You can find out more about this event [here](#).

RCC Bangkok as Knowledge Partner for UN Global Compact Network Malaysia & Brunei



In partnership with the colleagues from the Global Climate Action (GCA) team in UN Climate Change, RCC Bangkok acted as the knowledge partner for 2 events organized by UN Global Compact Network Malaysia & Brunei ([UNGCMYB](#)). The event organized exclusively for the network members on 18 February aimed to advance knowledge on climate reporting with necessary support and resources to make ambitious commitments to joining the [Race to Zero](#) campaign and other initiatives and taking rigorous climate action at the SBTi Symposium: The Race To Zero in April 2022.

[Malaysia's first SBTi Symposium](#) was successfully launched by YB Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Economy), Economic Planning Unit, on 5 April and was attended by 450 participants. This hybrid event presented the audience with the climate issues in the local landscape, the latest updates on Science-based Target initiative (SBTi), and how organizations can decarbonize by 2050 to achieve the Race to Zero.

Read more [here](#).

Climate Science Literacy in Asia and the Pacific: Materials now Available for Download



To advance Climate Science Literacy across Asia and the Pacific, the United Nations in Asia-Pacific, through a UN working group under the umbrella of the UN agencies Issue-Based Coalition (IBC) on Building Resilience, and on Climate Change Mitigation and Air Pollution, is building climate science literacy among the public. RCC Bangkok along with UNESCO, ILO, IOM, UNDP, UNDRR, UNEP, UN ESCAP, UNICEF, and UNOSSC have jointly developed the climate science literacy materials - a series of posters, social media graphics, and videos.

On 31 March, these materials were launched on the sidelines of [the 9th APFSD](#) with complementary efforts addressing the importance of climate science literacy and ways to enhance the public's literacy.

You can download the Climate Science Literacy materials [here](#).

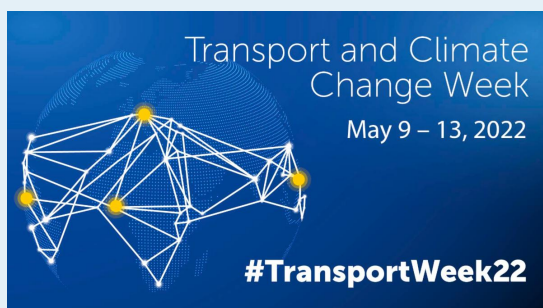
Fourth Capacity Building Talks Successfully Concluded

RCC Bangkok facilitated the participation of UNIDO – regional partner on the initiative with SMEs for Climate Action in ASEAN – at the event titled **"Strengthening the Capacities of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) to Engage in Climate Action and Seize New Opportunities"** on 19 April. The event aimed to examine how capacity-building can support SMEs to better address climate change risks, contribute to meeting national emission reduction targets and access potential new business opportunities. The event was intended to provide impulses to discussions in the UNFCCC process related to private sector engagement in capacity-building.

Read more about this event [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join the Fifth Transport and Climate Change Week!



[The Transport and Climate Change Week](#) is the annual flagship event on the transport decarbonization agenda. This year, the peer-learning and training week will again be held in a hybrid format, combining on-site events with virtual participation. The programme offers a diversity of regional customized events. Experts and representatives from other regions of the world will be connected via video conferencing technology in TV

studio quality. In addition, other interested parties from all over the world can join the discussion via a virtual platform.

UNFCCC/RCC Bangkok are also organizing a side event titled, **"Training by the UNFCCC : Which data are necessary for baseline development?"** which will take place on **9 May at 14:00pm (GMT+7)**.

Find out more about this event, including the programme [here](#). Register to attend The Transport and Climate Week [here](#).

ICAP Regional Training Course: Emissions Trading in Asian Countries



**Regional Training Course:
Emissions Trading in Asian Countries**
ICAP online Training Course
Mon 16 May – Thu 26 May 2022



Find out more at
https://icap-training.eu/training_courses
Register until 2 May at
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On 16-26 May, the [International Carbon Action Partnership \(ICAP\)](#) will convene a two-week ETS training course to provide basic training on emissions trading in Asian countries. Over eight days, participants will learn the key elements of emissions trading through a mix of presentations from expert speakers and policy practitioners, as well as interactive activities. The training is open to participants with limited or some prior ETS experience from Central, East, South, and South-East Asian countries.

Interested participants should submit the application [here](#). The deadline for completing the form/registration is 2 May.

More information on this training event [here](#).

ACE Observatory Roundtables Kick Off Discussions on People-Centered Climate Actions



SERIES OF EVENTS
GLOBAL PANEL ON PEOPLE-CENTERED CLIMATE ACTION

APRIL – MAY 2022
9-12PM EST

ACE OBSERVATORY
CLIMATE GOVERNANCE COMPASS

Bridging the gap between civil society expectations and government action for centering people on climate strategies. Discussions between policy-makers and policy-shapers on ACE Implementation performance criteria.

REGISTER: bit.ly/ACEseries

SHAPE THE CLIMATE - JUST TRANSITION WE NEED

The [ACE Observatory virtual roundtables](#) aim to be a multi-level space to build ACE metrics with contributions of ACE National Focal Points, civil society, international organizations, and practitioners interested in climate governance, capacity-building, human rights, and climate change. The aim is to co-design targets and performance evaluation criteria for people-centered climate action by defining what is effective implementation of ACE. They are part of the ACE Hub activities that promote implementation of the Glasgow work programme on ACE.

This event series will discuss the determinants of people-centered climate action dimensions of climate competencies, public participation, transparency & accountability, and feasibility. The virtual roundtables will take place on **4 May and 11 May from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM (GMT+7)**.

You can find out more information on the event and register to attend [here](#).

REPORT FROM CONCLUDED EVENT

Long-term Planning for a Sustainable and Just Green Transition at MENA Climate Week



[MENA Climate Week 2022](#) highlighted the importance of long-term planning to the enhancement and implementation of climate action across the region. The NDC, LT-LEDS and Sectoral Support Unit of the Mitigation Division, along with several regional and global partners, organized and curated [a series of events](#) over the course of the four days of MENA Climate Week on the subject of long-term planning for a sustainable and just green transition.

Read more about long-term low greenhouse gas emission development strategies [here](#).

OPPORTUNITY TO GET INVOLVED

Calls for Inputs for Preparation of the New Rolling Workplan of the Technology Executive Committee



At its twenty-fourth meeting, the [Technology Executive Committee \(TEC\)](#) initiated the preparation of a new rolling workplan for 2023-2027. The TEC agreed to invite inputs from observer Parties and organizations to inform and support the elaboration of its new rolling workplan on Possible areas of work and modalities that can help the TEC implement the Technology framework under Paris Agreement and facilitate enhanced action on technology development and transfer. Such inputs should take into account and build on previous work of the TEC.

Inputs can be submitted to tec@unfccc.int by **15 May 2022**. Inputs will be considered by the TEC in preparing its new rolling workplan at its twenty-fifth meeting in September 2022. More information about the 24th meeting of the TEC, including the provisional annotated agenda, is available [here](#).

NEW RESOURCE AND MATERIAL

Joint Submissions to the Global Stocktake of the Paris Agreement (GST)



RCC Bangkok host partner, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), submitted five joint submissions to the first [Global Stocktake \(GST\) of the Paris Agreement](#), together with the [Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency \(JAXA\)](#), and the [Japan International Cooperation Agency \(JICA\)](#), among others. JAXA and JICA's latest scientific products and knowledge on solving global environmental problems will serve as useful information for promoting the implementation of the Paris Agreement. IGES contributed to the

development of the joint submissions by providing insights on the latest international environmental discussions.

Read more [here](#).



The [RCC Bangkok website](#) is a great resource to find out the ways in which you can contribute to climate action. You can also learn

more about our work in the region and keep abreast of the upcoming events, both virtual and otherwise.

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