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## Welcome readers to the month of February,

This month, Article 6 was a key discussion topic for the region. At an [international conference](#) organized by the Japanese Ministry of Environment on 17 February, UN Climate Change Executive Secretary Patricia Espinosa highlighted the benefits of a highly complex but critically important piece of the climate action puzzle, Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. “RCCs are already assisting countries on the ground with respect to broad climate action, including the implementation of the Clean Development Mechanism,” Ms. Espinosa said. RCC Bangkok will continue to support multiple stakeholders and seek to strengthen action on Article 6.

It is encouraging to note that carbon prices in the region's most developed ETS in South Korea [have strengthened to around \\$30 a ton](#), and new mechanisms will enable fuel switching away from coal in the power sector. Additionally, [Malaysia is working with the World Bank](#) under the PMI initiative readiness support on its policy decisions over CPI design, economic impact assessments of proposed CPIs, the institutional framework, and capacity building and stakeholder engagement. In this edition, we highlight a training opportunity for global carbon markets.

RCC Bangkok is embracing [inclusive multilateralism](#) and advancing networking with diverse stakeholders, including private sector enterprises, to raise climate ambition in the region. We are pleased to share details of this engagement.

Read on for more!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### International Conference for Implementing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement



On 7 March at the second in a two-part webinar series, RCC Bangkok will present capacity building experiences from all six UN Climate Change Regional Collaborating Centres to support action on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.

In February, more than 950 participants attended the first in a series of conferences for Implementing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, which was co-

organized by RCC Bangkok host partner, the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Ministry of Environment Japan (MOEJ), with support from the UN Climate Change secretariat and COP presidencies. This two-part workshop introduces decisions made on Article 6 implementation guidelines agreed at COP26 and the Article 6 work programme for 2022.

For more information on the event, access [here](#).

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## For A Fair Share of the World: IKI's New Gender Strategy Now Open for Registration



[The International Climate Initiative \(IKI\)](#) will organize the official information event on the [IKI Gender Strategy](#) on **14 March 2022 at 1pm – 2pm (CET)**. The objective of this event is to present the most important contents of the strategy and the relevance of gender for IKI, look at the next steps and discuss your questions.

The event will be co-hosted by the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection and the IKI-Secretariat of ZUG. The [registration](#) will be open until 10 March 2022.

For more information of this event, please access [here](#).

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## REPORT FROM CONCLUDED EVENTS

### COP 26 What's Next: Outcomes from COP 26 And How UNGCMYB Members Can Take Ambitious and Credible Actions Through the Race to Zero Campaign

#### MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE EVENT



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UN Climate Change/RCC Bangkok, [Climate Champions Team](#) and the [UN Global Compact Network Malaysia & Brunei \(UNGCMYB\)](#) co-organized a Members Exclusive event titled **“COP 26 What's Next: Outcomes from COP 26 And How UNGCMYB Members Can Take Ambitious and Credible Actions Through the Race to Zero Campaign”** on 18 February 2022 which was attended by over 60 network

members.

The event aimed to provide access to useful resources to help businesses take transformational action with the overall purpose of joining [Race to Zero](#) and receiving feedback from the participants. Building on this, **a symposium will be organized on 5 April 2022** to present the audience with the climate issues in the local landscape, the latest updates on SBTi, and how organizations can decarbonize by 2050 to achieve the race to zero.

For more information, access [here](#) or contact the RCC Bangkok at [rccbangkok@unfccc.int](mailto:rccbangkok@unfccc.int)

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## ASEAN Workshop on Preparing for the Enhanced

## Transparency Framework under the UNFCCC



RCC Bangkok contributed to the ASEAN Workshop on Preparing for the [Enhanced Transparency Framework \(ETF\)](#) under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, virtually organized on 22 February 2022 by Japan International Cooperation Agency and Thailand Greenhouse Gas Management Organization. Regional Lead of RCC Bangkok, Mr. Jens Radschinski, gave a presentation on the evolution of climate change reporting under the UNFCCC. The workshop facilitated ASEAN Member States' understanding of current MRV reporting requirements as well as new ETF requirements as described in the Modalities, Procedures and Guidelines for the implementation of ETF.

Read more on Transparency under the Paris Agreement [here](#).

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### 4th Greenhouse Gas Inventory System Training Workshop Concluded



RCC Bangkok supported the event titled “4th Greenhouse Gas Inventory System Training Workshop”, which was organized by [UNOSD](#), [UNESCAP](#), [IGCE](#) and [TGO](#). This workshop aimed to provide a platform for policy dialogue and capacity building for developing countries in Asia Pacific region on utilizing national GHG inventories for the implementation of SDG 13 and the Paris Agreement. UN Climate Change shared an overview of the COP26 outcomes and focused slides on the transparency and reporting at the event.

For more information, including Concept Note and materials, please visit [here](#).

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## OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

### Explore the New Toolkit to Boost Capacity Building



The UN Climate Change secretariat launched a [new toolkit](#) to help countries implement policies and measures that increase resilience to climate impacts and reduce greenhouse

gas emissions. The hands-on examples, best practices, tools and clear policy options in the toolkit can help officials implement effective national climate action plans under NDCs tailored to their country's circumstances, ultimately helping to reach the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Learn more about the PCCB Toolkit [here](#). The full PCCB Toolkit can be found [here](#).

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## Global Carbon Markets Training Tailored to the Needs of the AP Region



Kindly avail the opportunity to participate in a **3 day training on global carbon markets**. This training is organized by RCC Bangkok's partners - the Asia LEDS Partnership (ALP) in collaboration with the Global Carbon Market programme of GIZ.

Tailored to the needs of the Asia-Pacific region, the goal is to equip participants such as decision-makers, experts and practitioners from the public and private sector with deeper knowledge and hands-on advice for implementation of carbon pricing mechanisms. **The event will take place on 1, 2 and 4 March at 15:00-18:00 (GMT+7).**

You can register to attend the training [here](#)

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## New Dates for MENA Climate Week 2022 Announced



New dates for the first-ever Middle East and North Africa Climate Week, MENACW 2022, have been announced. Originally planned to begin in February, the recent surge in Omicron variant cases required the in-person meeting to be delayed. **MENACW 2022 is now scheduled to be held from 28 to 31 March in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.**

Read more here ([English/Arabic](#))

Participants are encouraged to register as early as possible: [Register for MENACW 2022](#)  
Visit the [MENACW 2022 Page](#) for more information.

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## Get Involved: Call for Funding Proposals



*IKI Small Grants is Open until 15 April*

International Climate Initiative (*IKI*) *Small Grants* 3rd Call for Proposal will be open until 15 April 2022. The selected proposal will be provided with funding of **60,000–200,000EUR per project**. Small regional, national and local organizations based in *ODA-eligible countries* can apply directly for funding of the implementation of local or regional climate and biodiversity projects.

Read more [here](#).

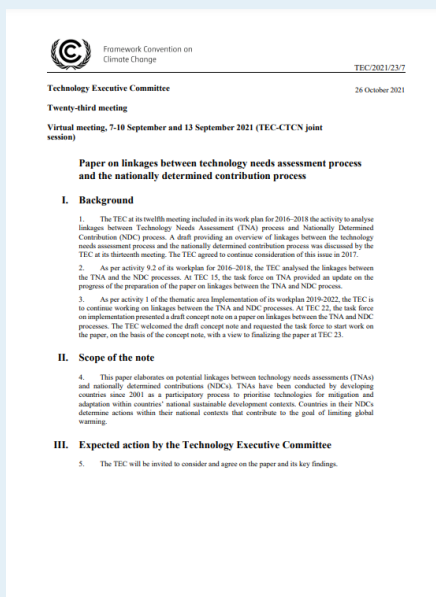
*The Ambition Initiative – Round Two is open until 30 April*

Round Two features several new characteristics that distinguish them from previous calls, targeting an even higher level of ambition. These mitigation projects promote transformation towards carbon-neutrality and allow countries to build back greener from the pandemic. Applicants can request between **5–25 million EUR** for the implementation of NAMA Support Projects.

Read more [here](#).

**NEW RESOURCES AND MATERIALS**

**A Paper on Linkages between the TNA Process and the NDC Process Prepared by the Technology Executive Committee (TEC)**



[Download PDF Here](#)

Stepwise guidance for conducting *Technology Needs Assessment (TNA)* can be an important analytical supporting instrument to support NDC design and implementation, especially in developing countries with capacity constraints. The paper analyzes to what extent developing countries who communicated TNAs and NDCs between 2018-2021 used the outputs from TNAs and enhanced understanding on TNA and NDC linkages and how these can be further strengthened. A case study from Suriname presents a way of effectively engaging stakeholders, as a method to decide on policies and means of implementation.

**Knowledge-Exchange Webinar Series 3: “Assessing and Reporting Climate and Sustainable Development Impacts of Mitigation Actions and Policies under the Paris Agreement”**



On 3 February, a webinar co-organized by IGES, the Asian Development Bank and UNEP-DTU Partnership provided policymakers and stakeholders with an introduction to existing and new SDG assessment tools at the project level in Asia.

Policies and projects promoting sustainable development include the use of safeguards to avoid negative impacts, can increase stakeholder support and public acceptance, increase market value and raise ambition on climate action. The growing awareness of integrated solutions is related to development of new SDG assessment tools to help identify how projects and policies can maximize benefits and avoid or mitigate negative impacts.

Read more [here](#)

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

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