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Welcome to RCC Bangkok newsletter!

In this edition we bring you the most exciting climate action updates around the region. Scroll down to find a ratification of the **Doha Amendment**, a compilation of the **upcoming virtual events**, resources from **recently held dialogues**, calls for **sharing your input and experiences**, featured story on **NDC update**, and more exciting opportunities to engage on climate action.

Read on for more!

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Press Release — Ratification of Multilateral Climate Agreement Gives Boost to Delivering Agreed Climate Pledges and to Tackling Climate Change



The Doha Amendment, which established the Kyoto Protocol's second commitment period in 2012, is set to enter into force, signaling the willingness of the international community to deliver on key climate pledges and to tackle climate change through multilateral cooperation.

Further information on the ratification can be found here

UN Climate Change Fosters Regional Carbon Pricing



The Collaborative Instruments for Ambitious Climate Action (CiACA) workstream of the UNFCCC concluded the first series of **regional dialogues on carbon pricing (REdiCAP)** in 5 regions and sub-regions: Latin America, Caribbean, West Africa, East and Southern Africa and South East Asia. The dialogues came at a crucial time with Parties committed to revising their national climate action plans, or Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and willing to explore economic instruments to increase their ambition to tackle climate change. You can find out more information on these dialogues <u>here</u>

RCC Bangkok organized the virtual Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing for ASEAN member states on 28-29 September 2020. Read more about the dialogue <u>here</u>

Share Your Solutions! — Make Your Contribution to the Database of Resources for Achieving Net Zero!

Share it with us!



The UNFCCC secretariat, in collaboration with University of Oxford, is developing **Net Zero Climate:** an **Aggregator of Tools & Solutions for Achieving Net Zero**. This global, independent, non-profit initiative aims to bring together resources from academics, policy-makers and businesses to inform, connect and scale solutions for achieving net-zero. It will provide a free, interactive, online library of the latest available tools, interventions, and best practices for achieving net zero.

Do you know of one? Share key resources, case studies, tools and reports that you are aware of, which may enable governments and businesses to set and achieve net zero targets. We encourage you to pass this form onto others using the following link to ensure a diverse and powerful free service to facilitate the post-carbon transition!

You can let us know your solutions, experiences, and practices by filling the form *here*

Call for Evidence — the First Report on the Determination of the Needs of Developing Country Parties

Submit Your Input via Email Here



The Standing Committee on Finance (SCF) has launched a **Call for Evidence** to support the preparation of the report. The SCF is looking for information, inter alia, on: National, regional and global level information and data on needs (quantitative and qualitative); Information and data on needs by geographical coverage (e.g. Africa, Asia-Pacific, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean); Information and data on needs by thematic area; Information and data on needs by sector; and Case studies and illustrative examples. **Information and data may be submitted on or before 30 October 2020** via email. You can refer to recent submissions *here*

Further information can be found *here*

Feature Story — Vietnam's Update NDC: A Comprehensive and Unified Climate Action Pathway



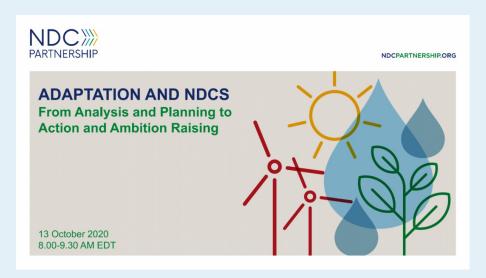
Vietnam submitted its updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) on 11 September 2020. This has made Vietnam the ninth country to submit its updated NDC to the UN Climate Change Secretariat. The enhanced NDC is projected to increase emission reduction by 21.2 million tons of CO2e to a total of 83.9 million tCO2e. Vietnam's conditional emission reduction target is now at 250.8 million tCO2e, which is 52.6 million tCO2e more than the emissions reduction target in the first NDC.

Directly linked to the National Adaptation Plan (NAP), the updated NDC also includes robust adaptation components including targets and pathways to improve adaptive capacity, enhance resilience, and reduce risks caused by climate change. It also outlines clear commitments to mainstream the NDC with socio-economic development plans and strategies and draws clear overarching and discrete linkages with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

You can read a full story about Vietnam's successful implementation of this enhanced NDC *here*

Vietnam's updated NDC can be viewed here

Webinar Report — Adaptation and NDCs: An NDC Partnership Webinar



The NDC Partnership held a webinar titled "Adaptation and NDCs" on 13 October 2020 to share trends from the Partnership's adaptation work on NDC and highlight member countries' unmet adaptation needs. Speakers included the Asian Development Bank, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Global Commission on Adaptation.

The extended report titled "Adaptation and NDCs: From Analysis and Planning to Action and Ambition Raising can also be accessed *here*.

The Partnership has also prepared two insight briefs titled "Adaptation and the NDCs" (<u>here</u>) and "Adaptation and Risk Finance in NDCs" (<u>here</u>).

The webinar recording, along with all presentations in a single slide deck and responses to Q&A, can be accessed <u>here</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Innovative Approaches to Accelerating and Scaling-up the Dissemination of Adaptation Technologies

Register Here



The <u>Technology Executive Committee</u> (TEC) will organize a deep dive session at the <u>4th GSTIC Conference</u> to discuss on the topic: "*Innovative Approaches for Climate Adaptation Technologies*". This deep-dive session will discuss how adaptation technologies can be deployed, upscaled and disseminated at a faster pace through innovative ways of policy planning, knowledge sharing, communities and women engagement, integration of adaptation with human and economic development efforts.

Join us on 27 October 2020 from 11:45AM to 13:15 PM CET

Further details about this event can be found <u>here</u>

2020 PACIFIC OCEAN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE:Blue Pacific, Climate Actions for Climate Resilience

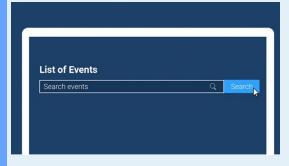
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This is an exciting opportunity to hear how the countries of the Pacific are responding to the challenge of Paris Agreement and to advance the conversation on the impact of climate change for the people of the Pacific.

The conference will explore the science, the impacts, the solutions and the enablers; and will be an online conference from Tuesday 27 October until Friday 30 October 2020.

The conference program has three sub-themes: Science, People and Oceans; five keynote speakers and over 90 presenters. You can find the latest update on the conference program <u>here</u>



To give guidance and clarity on the work ahead, UN Climate Change is launching Climate Hub 360, our new visual event platform to showcase key events as well as our own UNFCCC events leading up to COP26. This living product will be updated continuously as our work progresses and will help "drive the highest possible ambition and facilitate the delivery of mandates envisioned for 2020 and in the lead up to COP 26." Read more here

You can watch a full video statement by UN Climate Change Executive Secretary Patricia Espinosa <u>here</u>

Explore the New RCC Bangkok Website!

The new 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, virtual and otherwise.

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