



RCC Latin America

Collaboration for Climate Action

Strengthening Country-Led Implementation through Regional Collaboration

Latin America

2025

Regional Collaborations Centres | Overview



RCC Caribbean

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RCC Caribbean St.

George's, Grenada

Established 2013

Partner: Windward Islands Research and Education Foundation



CCR para América Latina

Colaboración para la Acción Climática

RCC Latin America

Panama City, Panama

Established: 2013 as RCC

Bogotá

Partner: The United Nations Environment Programme



CRC Afrique de l'Ouest et du Centre

Collaboration pour l'Action Climatique

RCC WAC Africa

Lomé, Togo

Established 2013

Partner: West African Development Bank



RCC East and Southern Africa

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RCC EAS Africa

Kampala, Uganda

Established 2013

Partner: East African Development Bank



RCC MENA and South Asia

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RCC MENA and SA

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Established 2019

Partner: World Green Economy Organization



RCC Asia and the Pacific

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RCC Asia-pacific

Bangkok, Thailand

Established 2015

Partner: Institute for Global Environmental Strategies



The RCCs are a partnership between the UN Climate Change secretariat and hosting organizations, governed by Steering Committees established to guide and oversee the work of RCCs.

The RCCs cover 143 countries in 6 regions.



99 events, including:

- 9 supporting the formulation and implementation of NAPs
- 44 supporting the implementation of Article 6 and carbon pricing instruments
- 36 supporting the development and implementation of NDCs

36 country support requests completed

- In a total of 15 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Panama, Peru, and Venezuela
- Dedicated in majority to Article 6 and carbon pricing instruments (16), NDCs (16), and NAPs (4) respectively

14 knowledge products authored or co-authored and published, including

- 9 newsletters
- 2 reports
- 1 publications
- 1 Video message
- 1 capacity-building material set published online

RCCs 2025 | Latin America Key Achievements

Adaptation



- ✓ Delivered four regional webinars strengthening technical capacities for NAP preparation and implementation.
- ✓ Convened the first Regional Partners' Dialogue on Adaptation, accelerating coordinated support for countries to develop and implement their NAPs.
- ✓ Contributed, in collaboration with ECLAC, OECC and AECID, to strengthening regional capacities on NAP design and implementation through an in-person regional workshop.
- ✓ Supported the UNEP NAP Community of Practice by disseminating the updated NAP Technical Guidelines.

NDCs and LT-LEDS



- ✓ Convened two Regional Partners' Stocktaking Meetings on NDC 3.0, strengthening alignment of regional support with IDB participation.
- ✓ Organized four regional webinars in collaboration with the IBC, supporting NDC implementation in the region through just transition, private sector engagement and Article 6.
- ✓ Delivered NDC Clinics during Climate Week, providing hands-on technical support to the region, in collaboration with UNDP, UNEP and the NDC Partnership.

Article 6 and Carbon Pricing



- ✓ Organized the Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing (REDiCAP), held during Climate Week 1, strengthening regional exchange on carbon pricing and Article 6.
- ✓ Organized 3 regional events supporting countries on their participation requirements under the PACM and the CDM transition process.
- ✓ Convened two partners meetings to coordinate support on Carbon Pricing Instruments and Article 6 readiness for the region
- ✓ Delivered a two-session webinar on Article 6 and ETF linkages, enhancing capacities on reporting and accounting with the CBIT-GSP Climate Transparency Network.
- ✓ Supported two ICAT ReCATH in-person workshops, reinforcing ICTU development and Article 6 readiness in Central America.

Stakeholder Engagement



- ✓ Contributed technically to the LEDES LAC Regional Workshop, strengthening dialogue on investment mobilization for NDC implementation with a wide range of stakeholders.
- ✓ Organized and co-organized three regional webinars with GFLAC and the IBC, to promote private sector engagement and climate finance mobilization for the NDC implementation.
- ✓ Strengthened academic engagement through a UNFCCC processes presentation at an event organized by Panama's Technological University.
- ✓ Provided a regional technical update on NDC submissions and progress at the UNEP Ministers' Forum and Bureau, informing high-level decision-making.
- ✓ Delivered two regional technical events enhancing private sector readiness for PACM participation and CDM transition.

For more information on these and to browse further activities led in Latin America, please visit [our website](#).

RCCs 2025 | Direct Country Support in Latin America

Adaptation

- Provided support to **El Salvador** through a presentation on adaptation under the Paris Agreement and the NAP policy cycle in a webinar organized by the national government and UNEP to strengthen national capacity for NAP formulation.
- Provided support to **Nicaragua, El Salvador and Bolivia** by sharing relevant technical resources and capacity-building materials for NAP formulation and implementation.

NDCs and LT-LEDS

- Targeted technical support to advance NDC 3.0 ambition and implementation, including the development of an operational roadmap aligned with the Nature Pledge and the three Rio Conventions in Panama, and the strengthening of mitigation scenario modeling through the MITICA tool in Peru to enhance the analytical foundation for decision-making.
- Provided targeted technical support to **Costa Rica, Paraguay, Panama, Colombia, Peru and Guatemala** to integrate ICTUs and Global Stocktake (GST) messages into their NDC 3.0 processes.
- Delivered, in strategic collaboration with the Government of **Chile**, UNEP and the NDC Partnership, a high-level NDC 3.0 webinar to support the **launch of Chile's process**, featuring opening remarks by Simon Stiell.

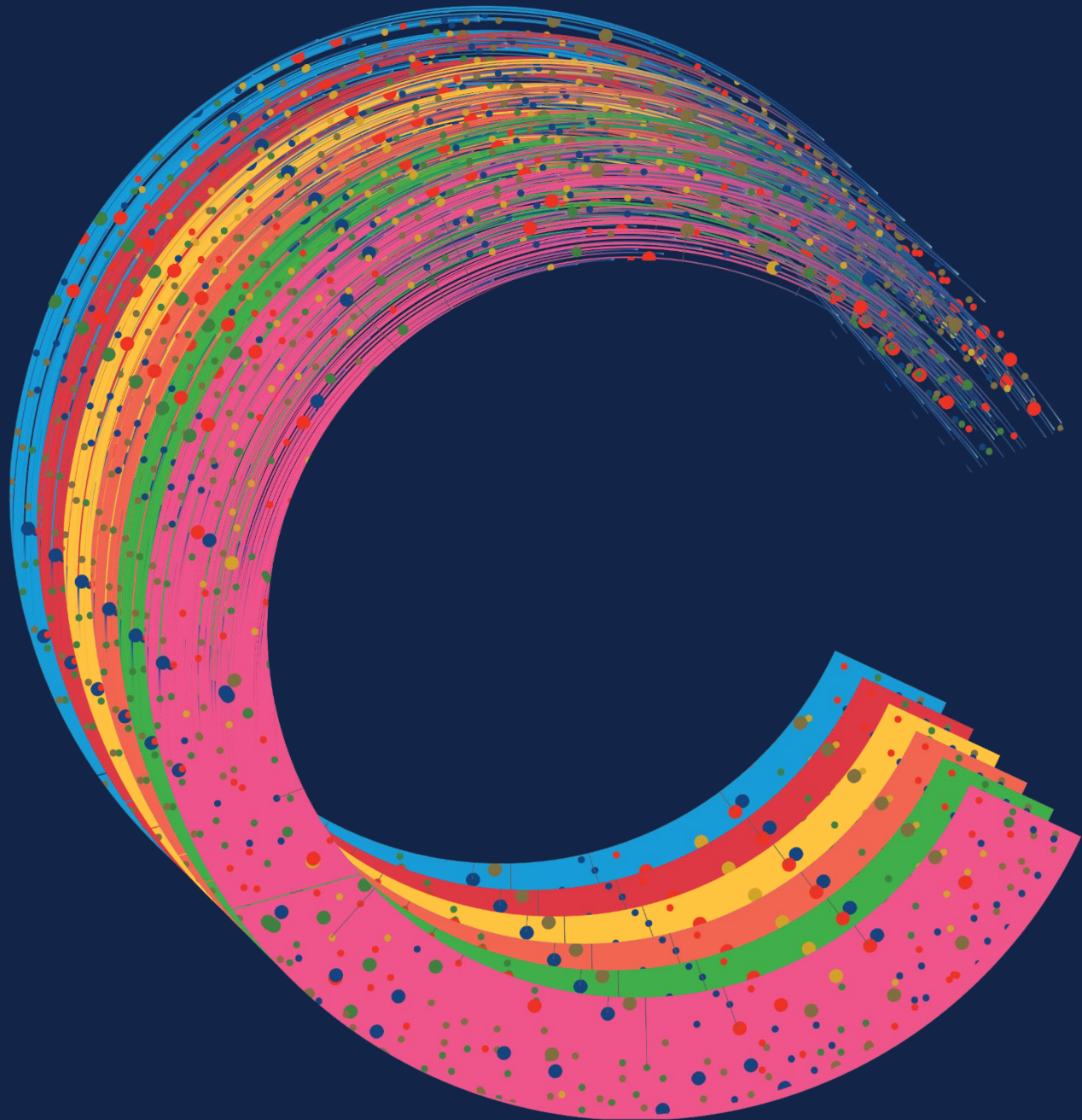
Article 6 and Carbon Pricing

- Organized capacity building sessions for CDM transition for Project Participants from **Panama, Guatemala, Argentina and El Salvador**.
- Organized two PACM capacity-building sessions to strengthen private sector and subnational governments' readiness for engagement.
- Continued the Collaborative Instruments for Ambitious Climate Action (CiACA) initiative strengthening national carbon market readiness in **Panama, Guatemala, and Costa Rica** by advancing Panama's Carbon Market public consultation, institutional coordination and technical-legal foundations for A6 engagement in Guatemala, and regulatory support for domestic carbon market and A6 implementation in Costa Rica.
- Strengthened country-level A6 readiness by enhancing A6.2 reporting capacity in **Mexico, and Paraguay**.
- Provided direct support on PACM and CDM transition to **10 LATAM countries** on meeting A6.4 participation requirements and approvals processes of CDM transitions
- Strengthened national institutional readiness and A6.4 participation, with Article 6.4 DNAs established in 16 of 17 countries, 9 of 17 A6.4 HPPR forms and Article 6.8 national focal points nominated in all countries.

RCCs 2025 | Panama: Case-Study

Stages	Description
RCC support design & Implementation	Panama requested support to design a national carbon market system aligned with the Paris Agreement to support the implementation of its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). In the frame of the CIACA initiative, RCC LatAm provided technical assistance, capacity building, and facilitation support to help Panama design the system, develop key instruments, and validate the regulatory framework. The support focused on strengthening institutional and technical capacities, developing strategic tools, and advancing the regulatory framework for the country's National Carbon Market System (SNMCP).
Deliverables, outputs	RCC Latam supported the development of the following outputs in response to Panama's request: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Panama Carbon Market Roadmap, providing the strategic vision and pathway to develop market-based mitigation instruments and explore linkages with international carbon markets under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement • Draft Executive Decree creating the SNMCP, providing the institutional and regulatory basis for carbon market instruments • A report on a national public consultation with 290 stakeholders to validate the proposed regulatory framework
Outcomes, impact	Through the support and delivery of outputs listed above, Panama could benefit from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthened institutional and technical capacity to design and implement carbon market instruments aligned with the Paris Agreement • Strengthened the strategic and regulatory foundations for domestic carbon markets • Enhanced multi-stakeholder engagement and institutional coordination via the consultation process • Increased technical understanding of carbon markets and Article 6 cooperation among national stakeholders • Positioned Panama to explore participation in international carbon markets, including the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)
Lessons learned and follow-up	Panama's experience highlights the value of a phased and learning-by-doing approach to developing national carbon market frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phased, learning-by-doing approach supported effective development of carbon market frameworks • Early investments in capacity building, technical analysis and stakeholder engagement enabled regulatory progress • Inclusive consultations strengthened transparency, stakeholder ownership and policy credibility • The carbon market roadmap and regulatory framework provide a foundation for domestic carbon markets and Article 6 engagement. • Panama's experience offers valuable lessons for other countries in Latin America and Central America

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