## Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB) Call for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders: 2022 PCCB focus area

### 'Building capacity to facilitate the coherent implementation of nationally determined contributions in the context of national development plans and sustainable recovery'

#### Background

The PCCB aims to address gaps and needs, both current and emerging, in implementing capacity-building in developing country Parties and further enhance capacity-building efforts. Current priority areas are:

- a) Enhancing coherence and coordination of capacity-building under the Convention;
- b) Identifying capacity gaps and needs, both current and emerging, and recommending ways to address them;
- c) Promoting awareness-raising, knowledge- and information-sharing and stakeholder engagement.

To learn more about the work of the PCCB, you can access its annual reports and other documents here.

#### Topics for submissions

The PCCB annually focuses on an area related to enhanced technical exchange on capacity-building. It determined, in its 2021-2024 workplan, to make calls for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders on the annual PCCB focus area.

#### Who can submit?

The call is open to all UNFCCC Parties and non-Party stakeholders, such as public and private sector entities, government and non-government organizations, philanthropic organizations, academic and research organizations, international and regional organizations or initiatives, and UNFCCC constituted bodies.

#### How will the inputs be used?

The inputs will feed into the PCCB's workplan activities in 2022, including a focus area day at the 4th Capacitybuilding Hub at COP 27, and envisaged regional activities and webinars. The inputs will also inform the design and preparations of the 11th Durban Forum on capacity-building to be held during the Bonn Climate Change Conference in June 2022. Responding to the request of the COP for the SBI to align the theme of the Durban Forum on capacity-building with the annual focus area of the PCCB , the PCCB has been working to ensure alignment between discussions at the annual Durban Forum and the work of the PCCB related to its annual focus area.

#### Submissions form

We thank you in advance for filling out this template with concise, evidence-based information and for referencing all relevant sources. There are 2 sections in this template:

- Details about your organization
- Guiding questions about implementing NDCs and national development plans in developing countries in a coherent manner, while supporting a sustainable recovery

#### Further information:

You are welcome to provide any other information that your organization thinks would highlight suggestions made in response to this call for submissions.

Address for submission: pccb@unfccc.int

**Deadline for submissions:** 25 February 2022

Please only fill out sections that are relevant to the work of your organization. Please note that no section is mandatory.

Organization or entity name:	
Integrated Research and Action for Development	
Type of organization:	
Please choose as appropriate:	
Intergovernmental organization	Development bank / financial institution
$\Box$ UN and affiliated organization	oxtimes Non-governmental organization
International network, coalition, or	oxtimes Research organization
initiative	University/education/training
Regional network, coalition, or	organization
initiative —	Private sector entity
Public sector entity	Philanthropic organization
Development agency	Other (Please specify)
Organization Location	
City: New Delhi Country:India	
Scale of operation:	
🗆 Global	🛛 Regional
🖾 Local	🛛 Subregional
🛛 National	🛛 Transboundary
City(ies)/Country(ies) of operation (if appropriate):	

India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka

At its fifth meeting in June 2021, the PCCB agreed on the following focus area for 2022:

#### 'Building capacity to facilitate the coherent implementation of nationally determined contributions (NDCs) in the context of national development plans and sustainable recovery'

The Paris Agreement aims to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change through the implementation of NDCs and national development plans, in the context of sustainable development and efforts to eradicate poverty. This presents ample opportunities for synergies and the PCCB, with its strong mandate to engage with other bodies under and outside the Convention, is well positioned to promote coherence in achieving climate and development objectives.

Building closely on the PCCB's 2021 focus area on building capacity to facilitate coherent implementation of NDCs in the context of national development plans, the 2022 focus area is dedicated to the question of how this process can support a sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated multiple crises, and solutions for economic recovery efforts need to be responsive to the climate emergency and facilitate a transition to a greener, fairer, and more sustainable world, and capacity-building is a key enabler for this.

The <u>PCCB's work on its 2021 focus area</u> contributed to an enhanced understanding of the key barriers and capacity-building needs and gaps hindering the coherent implementation of NDCs and national development plans, as well as of existing solutions. Through this call for submissions, **the PCCB seeks to contribute to a better understanding of how the coherent implementation of NDCs and national development plans can be aligned with and support a sustainable recovery.** What good practices and lessons learned exist with regard to aligning NDC implementation and national development planning with recovery efforts that are focused on sustainability and what are the major capacity-building needs and gaps in this area?

# To facilitate coherent NDC implementation and planning in developing countries that are aligned with and support a sustainable recovery, in your experience, what are:

the key interventions?

Financial and technical support, capacity building and hand holding needs, demonstration projects, easy availability of the mitigation technologies, transparency and creating monitoring and evaluation capacity and institutions

the enabling conditions?

Better coordination among parties involved in NDC implementation, monitoring and evaluation capacity, availability of the financial resources and technologies with easy access

the key institutional barriers?

Lack of institutions, Institutional capacity, lack of resources (human and finance), lack of priority setting at the higher decision making level, poor understanding of the issue,

the capacity gaps and capacity-building needs?

Capacity gaps exists in sub regional and local government levels and so capacity building needs exists at these level for knowledge based analysis and implementation

the knowledge and skills priorities?

Priorities are of capacity building in Analysis, Planning, technology and process implementation

How can existing capacity-building efforts be improved and what kind of new or additional capacity-building efforts are needed to ensure that coherent NDC implementation and planning in developing countries are aligned with and support a sustainable recovery? Who should be the target recipients of such capacity-building?

#### At the subnational level:

Subnational level, capacity is even weaker, It needs training and short workshops or study tour along with demonstration and hand holding activities; target recipients: local government/administration, educational and research institutions, Non-governmental organisations, local financing organisations (banks), industries

#### At the national level:

Training and short workshops or study tour are ok, but it needs more demonstration and hand holding activities; bringing knowledge and experience from the foreign countries, exchange programs; target recipients: government/administration, educational and research institutions, Non-governmental organisations, industries, industry associations.

At the regional level:

Target recipients are regional bodies like ASEAN, SAARC, African Union, Africa energy commission, regional banks

Good case studies, best practices, tools and methodologies, lessons learned, or examples of support:

*Please describe any that build capacity to facilitate coherent NDC implementation and planning in developing countries that are aligned with and support a sustainable recovery* 

IRADe's project for South Asia regional Trade, Road map to implementing NDC goal 3 and enabling state level implementation of NDCs are examples of capacity building at regional, national and sub-regional levels.

Useful sources:

*Please give examples of additional useful sources relevant to this topic (e.g. webpages and portals, publications, fora, organizations working on this issue)* 

https://sari-energy.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Revised-Report Implementation-of-NDCs-for-Renewable-Energy-in-Sri-Lanka-Addressing-Gaps-in-Policies-and-Regulations.pdf

https://irade.org/website/ongoing-projects-3/

https://sari-energy.org/

https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/blogs/toi-edit-page/for-india-to-meet-its-nationally-determinedcontributions-on-climate-change-states-must-be-involved/?source=app&frmapp=yes

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/347507255 For India to meet its nationally determined c ontributions on climate change states must be involved

https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/IRADe\_COP25%20Presentation%20061219.pdf

https://irade.org/IRADe%20Report%20Release%20at%20COP25 PressRelease.pdf

https://docplayer.net/196111408-Enabling-state-level-actions-for-ndc-power-sector-odisha.html

https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2019-

06/Final%20Report%20of%20the%20Research%20Study%20on%20Energy%20Food%20and%20Water%2

<u>ONexus%20Analysis%20in%20Macroeconomics%20Consistency%20Framework%20conducted%20by%20Integrated%20Research%20and%20Action%20for%20Development%20IRADe\_New%20Delhi.pdf</u>

https://vdocument.in/irade-sari-18-2018-implementation-of-ndcs-for-renewable-change-sustainable.html