

**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 Capacity-building 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](mailto: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:**

Ministry of Climate Change

**Type of organization:**

*Please choose as appropriate:*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Intergovernmental organization                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Development bank / financial institution   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> UN and affiliated organization                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-governmental organization              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International network, coalition, or initiative | <input type="checkbox"/> Research organization                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional network, coalition, or initiative      | <input type="checkbox"/> University/education/training organization |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public sector entity                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Private sector entity                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Development agency                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropic organization                 |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) _____               |

**Organization Location**

City: Port Vila

Country: Vanuatu

**Scale of operation:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Global   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local    | <input type="checkbox"/> Subregional         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National | <input type="checkbox"/> Transboundary       |

**City(ies)/Country(ies) of operation (if appropriate):**

Port Vila; Vanuatu

## The annual PCCB focus area

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 [PCCB’s work on its 2021 focus area](#) 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?*

Key interventions involves mitigations actions including: Electricity Generation: Renewable Energy Capacity Addition, Substituting and/or Replacement of Fossil Fuels with Coconut (Copra) Oil based Electricity Generation, Improve transport (land and marine) Energy Efficiency, Electric Vehicles (e-Mobility), Electric Vehicles (e-buses) for public transportation (10% of total Public Buses), Electric Cars (e-Cars) in Vanuatu (10% of government fleet), 1000 Electric Two (e-bikes) /Three Wheelers (e-rickshaw), 20 % Bio-diesel (bio-fuel) Blending in Diesel, Mileage and Emission Standards for Vehicles, Biogas Plants for Commercial and Residential Use (1000 numbers), Energy Efficiency in Commercial and Residential Sector, 5% of Energy Efficiency in Commercial and Residential Sector, 10 No of Energy Efficient Building (Green Buildings), Ecotourism Supported by Local Communities, Training and capacity building for livestock farming and pasture management, Converting Pastures to Silvopastoral Livestock Systems, International Collaboration to Improve Livestock Efficiency, Waste to Energy Plant for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Waste to Energy Plant for Port Villa, Waste to Energy Plant for Luganville, Waste to Energy Plant for Lenakel, Compost municipal organic waste to produce soil enhancer, Collect, Sort and Export Recyclable Materials (indicative) for first phase for Port Vila, National Plastics Strategy, Waste Water Management System in Vanuatu, Centralised Waste water collection and treatment system in municipal area including awareness and capacity building, Improvements to Public and Communal Toilet Facilities including Bio- Toilets.

*the enabling conditions?*

- Encouraging macroeconomic and business enabling environment, including ongoing and increased awareness and focus on the NDC (NSDPs and SDGs) plans and activities.
- Commission detailed investment planning and coordination committee/working group for financing enhanced NDCs mitigation actions.
- Private sector engagement and their capacity building and awareness creation on climate finance opportunity, market/non-market-based mechanisms etc.
- Support for creation and management of bankable investment opportunities.

*the key institutional barriers?*

1. difficulties can be serious obstacles to easy technology transfer
2. difficulty in retaining qualified people in administrative positions in government;
3. The main barrier to mitigation options being realised in Vanuatu (and most developing countries) has been the slow progress of finance transfers from the international UN mitigation effort. Financial Support is needed and this is stated clearly in our NDC - 'Achieving our target is Conditional to financial support'

*the capacity gaps and capacity-building needs?*

Technology transfer, Accessing Climate Finance, poor access to information, Incentives for donors are weak mainly when energy demand is scarce and scattered, Capacity building needs: Project Design, Technology Transfer, Accessing Climate Finance.

*the knowledge and skills priorities?*

Networking and negotiations, Project Design, Technical Capacity in technology transfer, accessing climate financing.

**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:*

*To ensure the capacity building efforts improved; we have to train specific persons whom their areas of work directly link to the interventions that were proposed to implement or that the interventions are already implemented. The target recipients at the Sub-National level would be: Area Administrators for maintenance and security of systems installed in Sub-national level, Secretary General, technical officer that oversee the roles and responsibility of similar at the Subnational level.*

*At the national level:*

To ensure the capacity building efforts improved; we have to train specific persons whom their areas of work directly link to the interventions that were proposed to implement or that the interventions are already implemented. The target recipients at the National level would be: Private Entities, Technical Public Servants, Directors of Specific Departments who's roles falls in the boundary of the planned mitigation interventions, decision makers.

*At the regional level:*

To ensure the capacity building efforts improved; we have to train specific persons whom their areas of work directly link to the interventions that were proposed to implement or that the interventions are already implemented. The target recipients at the regional level would be policy and decision makers, Technical experts, advisors, Directors, Managers.

**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*

National MRV System – Vanuatu with the Support provided for through the UNDP, it is of fortune that we have an Enhanced MRV system that was recently finalized. This system assist with the GHG Emission tracking, Project implementations, Climate Finance Tracking, Adaptation tracking which makes it easier to track the progress of the implementation of the NDC.

**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)*

Department of Climate Change – [www.docc.gov.vu](http://www.docc.gov.vu) ; Department of Energy – [www.doe.gov.vu](http://www.doe.gov.vu) ; National Advisory Board on Climate Change and Natural Disaster (NAB) – [www.nab.vu](http://www.nab.vu); Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry, Fisheries Biosecurity (MALFFB) - <https://malffb.gov.vu/index.php?id=2> ; Department of Environmental Protection and Conservation - <https://environment.gov.vu/> ; Port Vila Municipality - <https://pvmc.gov.vu/> ; Utility Regulator Authority (URA) - <http://ura.gov.vu/> ; UNELCO Vanautu - <https://www.unelco.engie.com/en/>; Vanuatu Utilities & Infrastructure (VUI) - <http://pernixgroup.com/our-company/about-us/subsidiaries/vanuatu-utilities-infrastructure-vui/>