

Concept Note

Webinar on the support ecosystem for the next round of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) for sub-Saharan Africa

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Webinar for sub-Saharan Africa

Date and time: 26 March 2024, from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM (GMT time)

Background

This is a critical time as the next round of NDCs is due in 2025, requiring new and more ambitious NDCs from countries. The [Global Stocktake \(GST\) outcome](#) agreed upon at COP28 underlined that despite overall progress on mitigation, adaptation and means of implementation and support, Parties are not yet collectively on track towards achieving the purpose of the Paris Agreement and its long-term goals, and encouraged Parties to come forward with ambitious, economy-wide emission reduction targets, covering all greenhouse gases, sectors and categories and aligned with the 1.5°C limit in their next round of NDCs. The latest science from the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) indicates that greenhouse gas emissions need to be reduced by 60% by 2035, compared to 2019 levels and that adaptation and mitigation must be pursued with equal force and urgency to advance sustainable development for all.

The GST invited organizations in a position to do so and the secretariat, including through its regional collaboration centres (RCCs), to provide capacity-building support for the preparation and communication of the next NDCs.

Webinar Objectives

A number of development and implementation partners are providing support to countries in the region on various aspects of NDC preparation and implementation, such as data and analysis, policy and planning, finance and investment, capacity building, and stakeholder engagement. In this context, there is a need to provide information to countries on the support available for preparation of their next round of NDCs. The UNFCCC RCC WACA, UNFCCC RCC EASA, along with the NDC Partnership, are therefore organizing this webinar to provide a platform for partners to share information on support available for the development of NDCs 3.0 (by quarter 1 of 2025).

Proposed Agenda

90 mins

Time	Session	Moderator/Speaker (TBC)
5'	Introduction to the Webinar	Walters Tubua, Regional Lead, RCC West and Central Africa
5'	Welcome and Opening Urgency of NDCs 3.0 From Global to Regional: RCCs Outlook on NDC Capacity-Building	Simon Stiell, Executive Secretary, UN Climate Change (video message) Stelios Pesmajoglou, Manager, UN Climate Change NDC Partnership
5'	CMA Decisions and GST outcomes This session provides an overview of the latest CMA decisions and GST outcomes relevant to the development of the next round of NDCs	<i>RCC WACA</i>
10'	Country Experiences: NDC Development and Implementation Identified countries share their experiences on key lessons learned during their NDC preparation and implementation and highlight priority areas where they require support in development of 2025 NDCs <u>Proposed questions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the key lessons from the last round of NDCs which will inform the next round of NDCs? • What are the key areas and priorities where capacity-building can enhance the next round of NDCs? 	<i>Moderated by RCC EASA</i>
60'	Support Available for NDCs and LT-LEDS Presentations (3 minutes each) by development partners on the support available for the 2025 NDCs. These presentations will cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the support available and on offer? • How can countries reach out to the partners? Question and Answer (Q&A) Session (10 minutes) Parties and partners will have the opportunity to engage with each other in a question-and-answer session	<u>Potential partners (TBC):</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NDC Partnership • UNEP • UNDP – Climate Promise • AfDB • GIZ • GEF • AFD • SAN/AfCAP <i>Moderated by RCC WAC and RCC EASA</i>
5'	Closing and Next Steps	William Otieno, Regional Lead, RCC East and Southern Africa

