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

Existing tools and methodologies for implementing capacity-building activities that enable countries to achieve the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement

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.

Topic for submissions

As part of its continuing efforts to respond to these priorities, the PCCB determined in its 2021-2024 workplan, to make calls for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders on:

Existing tools and methodologies for implementing capacity-building activities that enable countries to achieve the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement.

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

How will the inputs be used?

The inputs for implementing capacity-building activities will feed into upcoming deliverables under Activity B.2 of the 2021-2024 PCCB workplan, including a technical session at the 4th Capacity-building Hub in 2022.

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: 30 November 2021

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: | |
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| initiative | ☐ University/education/training |
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| ☐ Development agency | ☐ Other (Please specify) |
| Organization Location | |
| City: Brussels | |
| Country:Belgium | |
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| ☐ National | ☐ Transboundary |
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Existing tools and methodologies for implementing capacity-building activities that enable countries to achieve the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement.

Having the right and necessary tools and methodologies available to efficiently design, implement, and monitor and evaluate meaningful capacity-building interventions is key to making sure that countries successfully implement the Paris Agreement and reach its goals.

The PCCB seeks information on tools and methodologies used in climate-related efforts that aim to strengthen capacities at the individual, institutional or systemic level to meet objectives or perform better, and/or that enhance the sustainability, replicability or scalability of capacity-building projects/efforts. Relevant tools and methodologies also include those supporting the design and monitoring and evaluation of capacity-building efforts.

What are good examples of tools and methodologies used by different actors for implementing capacity-building activities that enable countries to achieve the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement?

The UITP Academy delivers a wide range of training programmes for all public transport and urban mobility stakeholders worldwide. Our training programmes are exclusively based on international expertise and practice. Our training programmes and all related processes are certified for ISO29990:2010: the standard for learning services for non-formal education and training. UITP offer open classroom (and digital) training, which are regular sessions open to everyone and held across the world to enhance knowledge and learn about the best practices of sustainable urban mobility. These programmes can be tailored and adapted.

UITP provides training to more than 1000 urban mobility stakeholders per year in more than 58 different countries on more than 60 topics such as:

- sustainable planning, operations, infrastructure
- security & safety
- innovation in bus and rail technology
- marketing, travel information, communication
- policy, planning, funding & regulation

Which types of tools and methodologies for capacity building have proven to be the most effective and why?

UITP unique training methodology provides:

- Comprehensive teaching with classroom modules
- International expert trainers with extensive experience in public transport management and operations
- A mix of theory, best practices, workshops and technical visits to improve your background knowledge and broaden your skills
- Interactive sessions with small groups favouring exchange and networking

Which (types of) tools and methodologies to support the efficient design, implementation, and monitoring/evaluation of meaningful capacity-building interventions are currently lacking?

Receiving true objective advice can be very difficult for the strategic decisions that public transport organisations sometimes face. A peer review aims to solve this problem according to UITP.

Through UITP Capacity building capacities we are seeing clear lack of follow-up and tailor made support. This is why audit and assessment in the public sector is crucial in order to:

- Evaluate services, products or processes and advice on areas to improve by neutral experts,

- Advice by experts who have hands-on public transport experience
- Comply with international benchmarks
- Measure, report and define clear points to improve and give efficient and actionable advice.
- Improve operations with the analysis of managerial, administrative and operational processes.

In which thematic area(s) of the Paris Agreement are new tools and methodologies for capacity-building most required in order to achieve the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement?

Globally, the transport sector accounts for 27% of energy-related CO2 emissions and continues to remain a rapidly growing sector. According to the ITF Transport Outlook CO2 emissions could increase 60% by 2050 (ITF, 2017).

Authorities have little or no experience in the collection, interpretation and use of data. For example, information on citizens' mobility behaviour has so far played virtually no role in data collection. Instruments, especially digitally based collection and evaluation procedures, as well as organisational and institutional prerequisites are lacking. Above all, authorities lack experience of internationally successful concepts and approaches for the design of sustainable urban transport, as well as sufficient data to feed into decision-making.

UITP capacity building programme is designed to strengthen the participating organisational units of authorities and operators in such a way that they can properly fulfil future and existing mandates on urban mobility. The main objective is improving the capacities of authorities staff to implement sustainable urban mobility measures. Competences of the staff should be improved not only technical but also management and methodological skills.

UITP works closely with authorities to improve the capacities of the staff in management and development of measures in sustainable urban mobility. Some of the core problems identified are that authorities have insufficient capacities to organize sustainable mobility measures in a systemic and sustainable way. UITP capacity building programmes provide good understanding of core sustainable urban mobility concepts, as well as facilitating the development of new projects with peer reviews as well as audit and assessments.

Useful sources:

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

- https://www.uitp.org/uitp-academy/
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