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MESSAGE TO NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Invitation to the eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme

28–30 September 2026, Sydney, Australia

On behalf of the co-chairs of the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme, Angela Churie Kallhauge and Gao Xiang, I am pleased to invite constituencies of admitted non-governmental organizations (NGOs), to participate in the eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the work programme.

The eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event is being organized pursuant to decision 4/CMA.4, by which the CMA decided that at least two global dialogues shall be held each year as part of the work programme and requested the secretariat to organize those dialogues under the guidance of the co-chairs of the work programme. The eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event will take place **from 28–30 September 2026 in Sydney, Australia** in a hybrid format.

Pursuant to decision 4/CMA.4, and as [communicated by the co-chairs of the work programme](#), considering the submissions on suggested topics in line with the scope of the work programme from Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders, **the eighth global dialogue will focus on enabling mitigation ambition and implementation in industries, drawing on national and regional experience – Part 2 and other cross cutting issues as mandated in decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 4.**

Based on inputs received via submissions and consultation to date, the indicative areas for discussion during the eighth global dialogue being considered by the co-chairs are as follows:

Distribution: Focal points of constituencies of non-governmental organizations admitted as observers by the Conference of the Parties.



- **Area of discussion 1: Experiences of best practices and actionable solutions in addressing challenges and barriers, including the enablers of ambition and implementation of mitigation action in industries**

- This area of discussion will explore technology options, trends and innovation ecosystems for decarbonizing industries, drawing on national and regional experience, with a focus on building on and diving deeper into the discussions already started on industries.

Participants may consider, technology pathways for relevant industries, frontier and emerging solutions, and the role of innovation ecosystems in accelerating deployment, among others. This area of discussion may also consider the institutional, financial, and governance frameworks that can support the movement of technologies from demonstration to commercial scale, while highlighting how solutions and approaches have been applied in practice and lessons that may be relevant for other circumstances.

- **Area of discussion 2: Experiences of other cross-cutting issues as mandated in decision 4/CMA.4, paragraph 4**

- This area of discussion will explore cross-cutting issues, synergies, trade-offs, and co-benefits associated with mitigation action, drawing on national and regional experience.

Participants may consider the interactions between mitigation options across different sectors and systems, including interactions with other environmental and socio-economic objectives. They may also discuss how these intersect with broader sustainable development priorities and poverty eradication, and how coordinated approaches could help deliver multiple co-benefits, including equity considerations, participation of diverse stakeholders, international cooperation, while minimizing trade-offs and supporting the reduction of emissions.

Observers and other non-Party stakeholders are reminded to submit views on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues in 2026 via the [submission portal](#),¹ as early as possible, or at the latest, four weeks before the dialogue, by 31 August 2026, in accordance with paragraph 14 of decision 4/CMA.4.

The final agenda will be shared after the deadline for submissions.

¹ More details can be found at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>



Nomination and registration details

NGO observer nominations should be communicated to the secretariat by [NGO constituency focal points](#) (CFPs). Representatives of admitted NGOs nominated by CFPs must register using the online registration form, which will be communicated to the nominated participants. Kindly note that, given space limitations, **four representatives per constituency will be permitted to participate as observers in-person in the global dialogue and investment focused event**. CFPs are requested to nominate two participants from a developed country and two participants from a developing country from their constituency for in-person participation. CFPs are also invited to nominate up to **four** representatives to participate **virtually** in the global dialogue and the investment-focused event via the active virtual participation modality - two participants from developed countries and two participants from developing countries. CFPs are requested to submit their nomination list via cool@unfccc.int no later than **10 August 2026, 23:59 Central European Summer Time (CEST)**.

Once a participant has been nominated for an event, they will receive an email with registration details via Indico UN, followed in due course by a personalised letter of invitation and comprehensive visa guidance. Logistical details related to participation will be shared directly with registered participants and published on the [eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event page](#).

Visa arrangements:

- All non-Australian participants traveling to Australia to participate in an event must hold a valid visa to enter the country.
- The most appropriate visa option and processing times will depend on the participant's individual circumstances, including their country of passport, role in the event, intended activities and length of stay in Australia. For most participants, the Visitor (subclass 600) Business Stream visa is expected to be the most suitable visa option.
- We encourage potential participants to complete event nominations, registrations and, where required, visa applications at the earliest opportunity, 6-8 weeks prior to their intended travel date. Early submission of visa applications will assist the Australian Department of Home Affairs to ensure sufficient time for processing.
- Once nominated participants have completed their registration, a letter of invitation and detailed visa guidelines will be sent to the registered participant's email address in due course.

Additional details:

- The dialogue and event will be held in a hybrid format, with connection details shared with all registered participants in due time. The dialogue will also be broadcast live for those interested in following without active participation.
- Further substantive details and updates, information on registration, logistical and technical information on the eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event will be made available on the [event page](#) in due course.
- For substantive queries please contact: MWP@unfccc.int



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- CFPs are encouraged to nominate participants with relevant expertise and experience on the topic of the eighth global dialogue to attend.

Logistical and substantive details related to participation will be shared directly with registered participants and published on the [eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event page](#).

In view of the need to confirm the arrangements for the global dialogue and the investment-focused event as early as possible, the secretariat may not be in a position to process nominations of participants received after the deadline of **10 August 2026, 23:59 CEST**.

The co-chairs and the secretariat look forward to hearing from constituencies of admitted NGO and welcoming nominated participant(s) to the eighth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the work programme.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by)

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