

Paris Committee on Capacity-building (PCCB)

Call for submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders:

'Tools and methodologies for assessing and addressing capacity gaps and needs related to accessing climate finance'

Background

Identifying capacity gaps and needs, both current and emerging, and recommending ways to address them has been a core part of the mandate of the PCCB, since its establishment, and was made one of three priority areas of the PCCB under its 2021–2024 workplan by the COP.

Under this priority area, COP 25 mandated the PCCB, inter alia, to continue efforts to gather and promote the development and dissemination of tools and methodologies for implementing capacity-building activities.

To learn more about the work of the PCCB, you can access its annual reports and other relevant documents [here](#).

Topics for submissions

As part of addressing the above-mentioned mandate, the PCCB agreed to issue in 2023 a call for submissions on tools and methodologies for assessing and addressing capacity gaps and needs related to accessing climate finance. Capacity gaps and needs can be at the individual, institutional or systemic level.

Who can submit?

The call is open to all Parties, bodies, entities and processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, as well as to all UNFCCC non-Party stakeholders, including public and private sector entities, government and non-government organizations, philanthropic organizations, academic and research organizations and regional and international organizations and initiatives.

How will the inputs be used?

The inputs will feed into the [2021–2024 workplan](#) activities of the PCCB for 2024, including an analysis and synthesis of the submissions and a technical session at the 6th Capacity-building Hub at COP 29. Relevant tools, methodologies and other resources submitted will be widely disseminated by the PCCB and will be integrated into the list of resources accompanying [the PCCB toolkit to assess capacity gaps and needs to implement the Paris Agreement](#).

Submissions form

Please complete the template with concise and evidence-based information, reference all relevant sources and send the completed form to pccb@unfccc.int. Please note that a submission form should contain one tool, methodology or resource only. If you wish to submit several resources, please use a separate submission form for each. The template has two parts:

Part 1: Details about your organization

Part 2: Guiding questions about implementing NDCs and national development plans in developing countries in a coherent manner, while supporting a sustainable recovery

Further information:

Comments, suggestions and any other information in response to this call for submissions are welcome.

Address for submission (and comments, suggestions, other information): pccb@unfccc.int

Deadline for submissions: 4 February 2024

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

PART I

Name of organization or entity:

NDC Partnership

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 checked="" 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 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) Click or tap here to enter text. |

Organization Location

City: Bonn

Country: Germany

Scale of operation:

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

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

Global

PART II

1. Title/name of resource

NDC Partnership Knowledge Portal

2. Year of publication

2016

3. Resource developer(s) and/or owner(s) (i.e. institution)

NDC Partnership

4. Target group(s)/audience(s)

The Knowledge Portal’s target audience includes representatives from members of the NDC Partnership, which includes more than 120 developed and developing countries and nearly 100 institutions, as well as other individuals involved in NDC planning and implementation and sustainable development. Through its regular outreach to members interested non-members, the NDC Partnership Support Unit encourages individuals working within relevant institutions and national, regional, and local governmental bodies to utilize the Knowledge Portal.

5. Type of resource

Tool(kit) or methodology (incl. handbooks, manuals and guides)

Other (please select from list below)

Technical assistance/support offers
 Other relevant online resources (e.g. webinar recordings, portals, platforms or databases that help assess or address capacity gaps relating to climate finance access)

E-courses/training
 Case studies and technical reports/publications (showcasing lessons learned and good practices)

6. Short description of the scope and objectives of the resource and how it can be used to assess or address capacity gaps related to accessing climate finance

The NDC Partnership is a global coalition, bringing together more than 200 members, including more than 120 countries, developed and developing, and nearly 100 institutions to deliver on ambitious climate action that helps achieve the Paris Agreement and drive sustainable development. Governments identify their NDC implementation priorities and the type of support that is needed to translate them into actionable policies and programs. Based on these requests, the membership offers a tailored package of expertise, technical assistance, and funding. The Knowledge Portal is the Partnership’s primary delivery mechanism for publicly sharing good practices, tools, and funding opportunities, and other resources related to NDC implementation and enhancement and sustainable development. The Knowledge Portal is regularly updated with support of partners to include new resources. The Knowledge Portal is comprised of four primary modules – the Good Practice Database, the Climate Toolbox, the Climate Funds Explorer, and the Climate Finance Bulletin – all of which are resource databases that support accessing climate finance. The Climate Funds Explorer is a searchable database of large-scale international climate financing options to help increase transparency and access. It brings together information on sources of financial support and presents them in a standardized and user-friendly way to help country practitioners and other stakeholders identify, understand, and access relevant funding opportunities. The Climate Funds Explorer aggregates information on the main international sources of public and private climate finance, including finance from the international climate funds, Multilateral Development Banks, bilateral government donors, private sector, and philanthropic organizations. These funding sources are expected to play a key role in NDC implementation, Paris Agreement alignment, and domestic resource mobilization. The Climate Finance Bulletin is a searchable repository of open, time-bound climate funding opportunities (typically calls for proposals) for countries and other implementing partners. The Bulletin serves as a platform for connecting countries and institutions seeking funding opportunities with institutional, development and philanthropic partners who have posted or will post open calls for proposals for climate funding opportunities. The remaining Knowledge Portal modules – the Good Practice Database and the Climate Toolbox – while not limited in scope to climate finance, feature numerous resource on the topic including guidances, frameworks, analysis tools, sources of technical support, and best practice examples of successes in climate finance.

7. Geographical scope of resource

X Global

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional (please select from list below)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asia and the Pacific <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Africa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Middle East and North Africa <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Latin America and Caribbean <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) Eastern Europe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National (please specify) The Knowledge Portal includes search and filter functionality in each of its modules to better navigate the databases. These include the ability to filter for specific resources and funding opportunities by country, region, and country grouping (such as Least Developed Countries and Small Island Developing States).	
<input type="checkbox"/> Subnational/local (please specify) <small>Click or tap here to enter text.</small>	
8. Information on the context in which the resource has already been used/applied and by which stakeholder(s) (if available)	
The Knowledge Portal is a key mechanism for engagement with partners and other relevant institutions to connect the latest resources and climate finance opportunities with countries and implementing partners. There are over 1,400 unique resources in the Knowledge Portal across its primary modules, and this number is always growing. For example, in the second half of 2023 the Support Unit engaged nearly 50 NDC Partnership members on the addition of new resources to the Knowledge Portal. Furthermore, the Support Unit regularly hosts trainings – both public webinars and custom demonstrations for interested partners – to improve partner understanding of the Knowledge Portal and its continued offerings.	
9. Type of access (open or limited access; free or paid)	
Access to the Knowledge Portal is open and free. The Knowledge Portal is publicly available to access on the NDC Partnership website and is not restricted to NDC Partnership members.	
10. Link to resource (if none is available, please attach a pdf copy of the resource to the submission email)	
The Knowledge Portal (including its four modules, the Good Practice Database, the Climate Toolbox, the Climate Funds Explorer, and the Climate Finance Bulletin) can be accessed through the following link: https://ndcpartnership.org/knowledge-portal .	