

Bulletin #36 (English #16) - October/2025

Introduction

This is the Monthly Bulletin of the Paris Agreement Monitor, which tracks the key developments in the Paris Agreement negotiation process, including meetings, workshops, official statements, submission deadlines, and document publications. The reported developments are those that occurred up until the last day of the reference month.

The Bulletin presents **retrospective updates** related to the previous month, and **future updates** concerning the current month, based on the publication of documents and event schedules available on the official agendas of the UNFCCC website. It also includes open deadlines and document submissions by the Parties and UNFCCC bodies.

The developments are categorized according to the main thematic pillars of the Paris Agreement negotiations: Mitigation, Adaptation, Loss and Damage, Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments, Finance, Forests, Gender, Transparency, Global Stocktake, Compliance, Technical Capacity-Building, Response Measures, Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples, Action for Climate Empowerment, Research, Technology, and Just Transition. For issues concerning the entire negotiation process and the UNFCCC system, we use the General category.

At the end of the edition, you will find a glossary with the most frequently used terms in the document.

The updates are reported in a way that describes the events and their relevance in the negotiation process. For more in-depth information on the content of the discussions at each described event, you can access the links provided in the updates. The links refer to the original transcript of the mentioned documents, meeting agendas and minutes, submitted documents, event recordings, referred technical reports, and official event web pages. All disclosed information is official and obtained through the UNFCCC website.

In this monthly bulletin, there is no critical analysis from the LACLIMA Paris Agreement Observatory team on the updates, but technical opinions may be issued on specific matters in other adjacent publications. If you are interested in learning more about our technical opinions, please contact us at info@laclima.org.

To understand each thematic pillar of the negotiations and the issues being addressed, we recommend reading this Bulletin together with the publication "<u>Outcomes of COP 29</u>".

Happy reading!

Paris Agreement Observatory Team

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This edition:

In September we had updates regarding the themes of:

Adaptation, Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments, Climate Finance, Mitigation and Transparency.

In **October** the program includes events regarding the themes of:

Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments, Just Transition, Loss and Damage and Response Measures.

There are active and open calls for submissions regarding the themes of:

Action for Climate Empowerment, Agriculture, Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments, Climate Finance, Just Transition, Loss and Damage, Mitigation, Response Measures, Research and Systematic Observation and Transparency.

Check it out below!

Happened in September:

General

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: COP 30 - Overview Schedule.

Date: September 30th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: This document is an overview schedule that aims to support participants in preparing for the sessions. It should be considered indicative and will be updated

with new information as it becomes available. Information on a few events where the status is 'TBC' will be provided in due course.

Related Links: Publication.

Event Type: Publication of Report.

Subject: Informal summary report of the ocean and climate change dialogue 2025.

Date: September 30th, 2025.

Involved Body: Country authors.

Summary: The ocean and climate change dialogue ("dialogue") was mandated by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-sixth session. The 2025 dialogue was held in hybrid mode on 17–18 June 2025, in conjunction with the sixty-second session of the subsidiary bodies in Bonn, Germany. As the co-facilitators of the dialogue, we have prepared this report that provides a summary of the discussions that took place on three topics, chosen in consultation with Parties and observers: first, Ocean-based measures in the Nationally Determined Contributions, second, the ocean under the Global Goal on Adaptation, and third, Ocean-climate-biodiversity synergies. The cross-cutting issues included means of implementation, particularly finance, as well as science.

Related Links: Report.

Adaptation

Event Type: Publication of summary reports.

Subject: Insight to Action: Strengthening Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Systems for Adaptation.

Date: September 09th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC. Secretariat.

Summary: This informal summary report captures key messages and presents findings derived from the discussions and a literature review as well as case studies of MEL systems submitted by experts via a survey prior to the event.

Related Links: Report.

Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments

Event Type: Meeting report.

Subject: Meeting report: Methodological Expert Panel Sixth meeting (v.01.0) (MEP008).

Date: September 09th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC. Methodological Expert Panel (MEP).

Summary: The report focuses on advancing key regulatory documents for the Article 6.4 Mechanism of the UNFCCC. The Panel continued its work on Requirements for methodologies, issuing a call for stakeholder input on the "Investment analysis" tool and recommending the adoption of the "Common-practice analysis" tool. Regarding Removals, the MEP revised the draft "Standard: Addressing non-permanence and reversals", proposing that the Supervisory Body set a single value for the negligible risk of reversal. Progress was also made on revising several CDM methodologies and methodological tools, including a new call for stakeholder input on the revised landfill gas methodologies (e.g., "ACM0001: Flaring or use of landfill gas") and related tools.

Related Links: Report.

Climate Finance

Event Type: Workshop.

Subject: Workshop report in 2025 under the Sharm el-Sheikh Dialogue on Article 2, paragraph 1(c) of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9.

Date: September 04th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC

Summary: This document presents The first workshop in 2025 under the Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9 of the Paris Agreement was held from 17 to 19 June 2025 in conjunction with the sixty-second sessions of the subsidiary bodies. The workshop explored the theme of different approaches to Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9 of the Paris Agreement in diverse contexts, providing an opportunity to exchange views and identify forward-looking solutions on: (a) Building capacities for nationally determined financial sector development: case studies on adaptation and climate resilience in diverse contexts; (b) Transition planning for low greenhouse gas (GHG) emission and climate-resilient development pathways and for financing just transition pathways in diverse contexts; (c) Opportunities to support implementation of the new collective quantified goal on climate finance (NCQG) through Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement.

Related Links: Note.

Event Type: Publication of report.

Subject: Report of the FRLD Board to COP 30 and CMA 7.

Date: September 09th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC Authors.

Summary: This report provides an overview of the actions taken in response to guidance provided in UNFCCC decisions 5/CP.29 and 11/CMA.6 (see the table below) and the overall progress and milestones achieved by the Board in relation to those actions. It covers the period from 21 September 2024 to 31 July 2025, during which the Board held three meetings: B.4 (Manila, Philippines, 2–5 December 2024,), B.5 (Bridgetown, Barbados, 8–10 April 2025) and B.6 (Cebu, Philippines, 9–11 July 2025).

Related Links: Report.

Compliance

Event Type: Publication of Report.

Subject: Draft annual report to the CMP.

Date: September 11th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC Authors.

Summary: The twentieth annual report of the Compliance Committee to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol covers activities undertaken from 5 July 2024 to 11 September 2025. The report provides a summary of the continued consideration by the enforcement branch of the question of implementation with regard to Liechtenstein, the continued consideration by the facilitative branch of its role in providing advice and facilitation in implementing the Kyoto Protocol, and the discussions in the plenary of the Compliance Committee.

Related Links: Report.

Mitigation

Event Type: Report.

Subject: Report on the fifth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme.

Date: September 04th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC

Summary: This has been prepared reflecting in a comprehensive and balanced manner the discussions held at the fifth global dialogue and investment-focused event under the under the Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme. It includes a summary, key findings, opportunities and barriers relevant to the topic. The recordings of the fifth global dialogue and investment-focused event as well as presentations given during the events form the basis of this report. The report highlights the relevance of all aspects that have been raised and discussed during the fifth global dialogue and investment-focused event.

Related Links: Note.

Event Type: Report.

Subject: CiACA Cameroon Carbon Pricing 2025.

Date: September 25th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: This report has been prepared as part of the country support under the Collaborative Instruments for Ambitious Climate Action (CiACA), implemented by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat with support from the Government of Germany. The report was prepared by an independent consultant and does not necessarily reflect the views of the UNFCCC secretariat, the United Nations, or the Government of Germany.

Related Links: Report.

Transparency

Event Type: Report.

Subject: Regional hands-on training workshops of the Consultative Group of Experts.

Report by the secretariat.

Date: September 18th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC. Secretariat.

Summary: This report provides a summary of the workshops, including details on the contribution of the Consultative Group of Experts in providing technical advice and support, and includes feedback from workshop participants.

Related Links: Report.

Scheduled for October

Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 18th meeting of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body (SBM 018).

Date: October 06th - 10th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: The 18th meeting of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body will focus on organizational, governance, and regulatory matters essential for the functioning of the mechanism under the Paris Agreement. The agenda includes opening and adoption of the agenda, membership issues, strategic planning, performance management, and consideration of the 2025 workplan and the draft preliminary workplan for 2026. Key regulatory discussions will address accreditation standards and procedures, revisions to activity cycle standards for projects and programmes of activities, and rules for transitioning CDM activities into the Article 6.4 mechanism. Draft methodologies, including a tool for common practice analysis and a standard for addressing non-permanence, will also be reviewed, alongside the draft procedure for the Article 6.4 registry. The Body will further deliberate on policy matters, issue rulings related to accreditation, registration, and issuance, and engage with relevant forums and stakeholders before concluding the meeting.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 9th meeting of the Methodological Expert Panel (MEP 009).

Date: October 13th – 14th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: At the time of publication of this bulletin, the event agenda had not yet

been released.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 19th meeting of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body (SBM 019)

Date: October 29th – 30th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: At the time of publication of this bulletin, the event agenda had not yet

been released.

Related Links: event page.

Just Transition

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Rights-based Finance for Climate and Biodiversity: Enabling Just Transition

and Transformative Change.

Date: October 02nd, 2025.

Involved Body: PCCB Network.

Summary: The 90-minute interactive webinar, hosted by SwedBio, CDKN, the Global Youth Biodiversity Network, and Soka Gakkai International, will explore how rights-based finance can contribute to addressing the interconnected climate and biodiversity crises. Drawing on insights from Indigenous and community-led initiatives, the session will showcase practical approaches to advancing more just, inclusive, and transformative financing models.

Related Links: event page.

Loss and Damage

Event Type: Workshop.

Subject: Workshop under the UAE-Belém work programme on indicators

Date: October 03rd-04th, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: At the time of publication of this bulletin, the event agenda had not yet

been released.

Related Links: event page.

Response Measures

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Thirteenth meeting of the Katowice Committee on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures.

Date: October 01st- 03 rd, 2025.

Involved Body: UNFCCC.

Summary: The 13th meeting of the Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures will focus on reviewing progress under the 2020–2025 workplan, with an emphasis on assessing the social, economic, and environmental impacts of climate policies, promoting economic diversification and just transition, and developing regional and sectoral case studies. The meeting will also address cross-cutting issues such as intergenerational equity, gender, indigenous peoples, youth, and vulnerable communities, while discussing a capacity-building program for Parties, communication strategies, and gender mainstreaming. Finally, it will define the 2026–2030 workplan, adopt the 2025 reports, review rules of procedure, and set the calendar for future meetings.

Related Links: event page.

Call for submissions:

Call for active submissions

Active calls for submissions, meaning those without a defined deadline or with an expired deadline, but which received submissions in the last month.

| Issue | Call | Deadline | Submissions last month |
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| Carbon Markets and Article 6 Cooperation Instruments Initial reporting regarding Article 6. | Interim solution for the submission of information pursuant to decision 2/CMA.3, annex, chapter IV (Reporting), until the centralized accounting and reporting platform and the Article 6 database are released (decision 6/CMA.4, paragraph 28). | Open | Tunisia (29/09) Tunisia (29/09) Palau (16/09) Palau (16/09) |
| Climate Finance Report of the Green Climate Fund and guidance to Green Climate Fund | Views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Green Climate Fund via the submission portal no later than 16 weeks prior to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties | July 20 th , 2025 | Colombia - AILAC (09/09) Malawi - LDC (10/09) |

| | | | <u>Canada</u> (24/09) |
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| Climate Finance | | | |
| Report of the Global Environment Facility to the Conference of the Parties and guidance to the Global Environment Facility | Views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Global Environment Facility via the submission portal no later than 16 weeks prior to the thirtieth session of the Conference of the Parties | July 20 th , 2025 | <u>Canada</u> (24/09) <u>Malawi –</u> <u>LDC</u> (10/09) |
| Just Transition United Arab Emirates Just Transition Work Programme - views relevant to the topic of the third dialogue | Views of Parties, observers, and other non-Party stakeholders on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges, and barriers relevant to the topic of the third dialogue under the United Arab Emirates Just Transition Work Programme | August 03 rd , 2025 | Philippines (04/09) |
| Loss and Damage Report of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage and guidance to the Fund | Parties to submit views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage via the submission portal no later than 10 weeks prior to the seventh session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (November 2025) | August 31 th , 2025 | Canada (24/09) Vanuatu (23/09) Uruguay- Grupo Sur (03/09) |
| Mitigation Sharm el-Sheikh mitigation ambition and implementation work programme | Parties, observers and other non-Party stakeholders to submit their views on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues referred to in paragraph 14, Decision 4/CMA.4 (4 weeks before each dialogue) | Open | <u>Russian</u> (08/09) |
| Research and Systematic Observation The SBSTA invited Parties and relevant organizations to submit views on possible themes for and ways to | Earth Information Day 2025 - Research and Systematic Observation | August 28 th , 2025 | Kenya (29/09) Chile (15/09) Malawi - LDC (10/09) Saudi Arabia- Arab Group |

| organize Earth | | (07/09) |
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| Information Day | | Philippines |
| 2025, to be held in | | (04/09) |
| conjunction with | | Norway (01/09) |
| SBSTA 63 | | (01/00) |
| (November 2025) | | |

Open deadlines of call for submissions

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| Agriculture Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security | For the workshop on progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security, including sharing of best practices, parties and observers to submit views on the subject of that workshop, options for its format and suggested speakers | February 28 th , 2026 | None |
| General Cooperation with other international organizations | Parties and observers to submit further views to inform SBSTA's consideration of this matter | September 29 th , 2025 | Brazil (30/09) <u>UK</u> (30/09) <u>Colombia –</u> <u>AILAC</u> (30/09) |
| Response Measures Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement | Views in view of the conference room paper referred to in FCCC/SB/2025/L.3 | September 29 th , 2025 | European Union (29/09) |

| Transparency | | | |
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| Parties' reflections on the activities mandated in decisions 18/CMA.5 and 21/CMA.6 and information on their contribution to the consideration of the financial and technical support provided to developing country Parties for reporting and related capacity-building under Art. 13 of the PA. | Reporting and review pursuant to Article 13 of the Paris Agreement: provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties for reporting and capacity-building. | November 06 th , 2025 | None |

Glossary

Paris Agreement: An international climate change treaty signed in 2015 and in effect since 2016. It is an implementation treaty linked to the UNFCCC.

ACE: Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) is a term adopted by the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change to denote work under Article 6 of the Convention and Article 12 of the Paris Agreement.

AEP: The Accreditation Expert Panel supports the implementation of standards and procedures for accrediting operational entities involved in validation and verification of projects and programmes of activities under the Article 6.4 mechanism, also known as the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism.

AILAC: Independent Association of Latin America and the Caribbean. A group of countries.

AOSIS: Alliance of Small Island States. A group formed by small island countries.

BASIC: Group of countries composed by Brazil, China, India and South Africa.

BTR: Biennial Transparency Reports. Reports required under the Paris Agreement, prepared in accordance with the procedures and guidelines approved in decision 18/CMA.1. BTRs include information on mitigation, adaptation, financing, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building.

CGE: Consultative Group of Experts (CGE) is the main channel for the provision of technical assistance and support to developing country Parties in fulfilling their reporting requirements in relation to measurement, reporting, and verification (MRV) under the Convention and the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement.

CMA: Conference of the **Parties** to the Paris Agreement. The annual meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to make implementation decisions for the treaty.

COP: Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC. The annual meeting of the Parties to the UNFCCC to make implementation decisions for the treaty.

EIG: Environmental Integrity Group. A group of countries.

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

FWG: A body established at COP 24 in 2018 to operationalize the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (LCIPP).

G77 + China: Coalition of developing countries.

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

IMO: International Maritime Organization

LDC: Least Developed Countries. A group formed by the least developed countries.

LEG: A group established in 2001 to provide technical guidance and support to Least Developed Countries (LDCs) on formulating and implementing National Adaptation Plans (NAPs), preparing and implementing National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPAs), and executing the LDC work programme. The LEG also advises on accessing funding from the Green Climate Fund (GCF) to support these activities.

LMDC: Like-Minded Group of Developing Countries. A group formed by developing countries with similar views.

MEP: A panel that supports the development of standards and guidelines for emission reduction and removal activities, providing clarifications to facilitate the registration of such activities under the Article 6.4 mechanism of the Paris Agreement.

NAP: Plans developed by countries, particularly Least Developed Countries (LDCs), to identify and address medium- and long-term climate change adaptation needs. These plans include strategies and programs aimed at enhancing resilience to climate impacts.

NDC: Nationally Determined Contribution, an individual document presented by the Parties to the Paris Agreement that contains the Party's contribution to preventing the Earth's

temperature from rising more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and achieving the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

Party(ies): Member country(ies) of the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.

PCCB: Paris Committee on Capacity-Building.

SBI: Subsidiary Body for Implementation.

SBM: Supervisory Body of the Article 6.4 mechanism

SBSTA: Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice.

SCF: The Standing Committee on Finance supports the COP in enhancing coherence, coordination, resource mobilization, and oversight of the UNFCCC financial mechanism.

Stakeholders: State or non-state actors, public or private entities, accredited or not as "observers" of the UNFCCC system, who have an interest in the negotiated topics.

Submission: A document in which an interested party presents their view on a specific discussion point in the negotiations, which may contain technical and scientific contributions, recommendations, and concrete proposals on how that discussion point should be addressed and resolved among the Parties in the negotiation.

SUR: A group of countries composed of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay.

UNFCCC: United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, or "Climate Convention," an international treaty signed in 1992, of which the Paris Agreement is a part.

UNCCD: The United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, adopted in 1994, is the sole legally binding international agreement linking environment and development to sustainable land management.

Find out more about the Paris Agreement and COP 29

The 2015 Paris Agreement is an almost universally adopted international treaty with 193 member countries. It is linked to the UNFCCC, an overarching international treaty system that provides broader principles, guidelines, and policies for the global community to cooperatively address the climate crisis. One of the main goals of the Agreement is to prevent the global temperature from rising above 1.5°C or to keep it well below 2°C above preindustrial levels—a threshold that science has shown to be a "point of no return" with devastating effects on life on Earth. Additionally, the Paris Agreement aims to make countries resilient to climate change and to decarbonize financial flows.

To learn more about the Paris Agreement and understand the main negotiation topics, read our publication on the outcomes of COP 29 "<u>Outcomes of COP 29</u>".

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