

NDC PARTNERSHIP PROGRESS 2018

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Welcome to the NDC Partnership's second annual "Partnership in Action" report.

As the Partnership's Support Unit, we have the privilege of working with dedicated governments and institutions as they face perhaps the greatest challenge of our age. In 2018, our membership grew to more than 100 countries, international institutions, and non-state actors, all working together to accelerate climate action through NDCs. Across the world, every day, our Members collaborate to cut emissions, build resilient communities, provide finance and technical support, and learn from each other how to scale climate action.

This work is vital and not a moment too soon. The task of limiting warming and adapting to a changing climate will require a radical transformation of economic and social systems at a scale simply never seen before.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

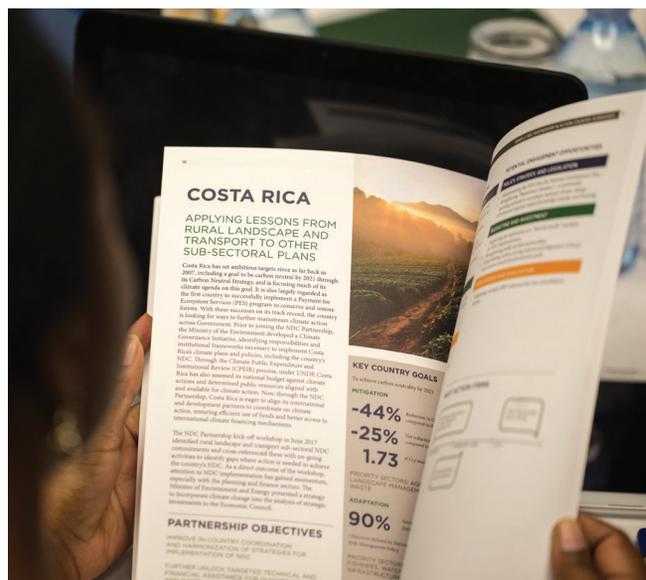
This publication reports on the Partnership's progress in 2018, showcasing concrete results, innovative knowledge products, and strategic lessons learned as we expand our on-the-ground work with countries. What Members have achieved since 2016 is impressive. Integrating NDCs across domestic planning agendas; aligning climate action with myriad development priorities; and mobilizing domestic and international finance.

Some are even increasing ambition before the 2020 deadline, using NDC implementation to adopt accelerated timelines and more transformative actions. This report focuses on these four key areas for Partnership action, all of which are critical to achieving the Paris Agreement goals.

MUCH MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE

Despite countries' post-Paris efforts, however, the world remains on a 3-4 degrees Celsius warming trajectory. This invites devastation on an unthinkable scale, with the poorest and most vulnerable people in the front line. Avoiding such an outcome, and limiting warming to 1.5 or at most 2 degrees Celsius, will require concerted global action that goes well beyond current NDC commitments.

That's why raising climate ambition – nationally, regionally, and globally – is central to the NDC Partnership's work and goals. Our Members are already responding to this challenge with breadth of vision and groundbreaking actions. Countries are setting priorities, defining policy, and delivering action. International institutions and developed country Members provide technical and financial support. Non-state actors are bringing expertise and inspiring change across societies.



Moving forward, our role as a catalyst will be critical. The NDC Partnership is starting to produce promising country-led models that offer a pathway to low-carbon and climate resilient societies. We will work tirelessly to see these through and share the results widely in the hope that they inform and inspire transformative climate action everywhere.



In Kampala, Per Lindgärde, Ambassador of Sweden, Dr. Pablo Vieira, NDC Partnership Global Director, and Rosa Malango, UN Resident Coordinator, sign Uganda's Partnership Plan, demonstrating commitment to supporting Uganda's near and long term climate agenda.