

Agenda

DAY 1

08.30 – 09.00

Registration and Networking Coffee

09.00 – 09.20

Welcome Remarks

Fabrizia Lapecorella, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD
Haoliang Xu, Associate Administrator, UNDP
Ambassador Esen Altuğ, Director General of Multilateral Economic Affairs, MFA, Republic of Türkiye

09.20 – 10.00

Keynote Presentations

H.E. Melis Turgunbaev, Minister of Natural Resources, Ecology and Technical Supervision, Kyrgyzstan

Elmaddin Mehdiyev, COP29 Presidency-Senior Negotiator/Climate Finance Team Leader, Azerbaijan

Prof. Dr. Halil Hasar, President, Directorate of Climate Change, Ministry of Environment, Urbanisation and Climate Change, Government of Türkiye

10:00 – 10.15

Family Photo

10.15 – 10.45

Coffee break

10.45 – 12.30

Open Plenary Session: Delivering enhanced nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and long-term Low-emission development strategies (LT-LEDS) aligned with 1.5°C

Moderator: Nino Antadze, UNDP CO Georgia

10.45 – 11.00

Designing the next round of NDCs guided by the signals in the first global stock take.

Sirini Jeudy-Hugo, Acting Team Lead - Climate Change Expert Group (CCXG), Environment Directorate, OECD

11.00 – 11.15

NDCs and LT-LEDS from Paris to Belem – We have a plan for below 1.5° Target

Nuri Ozbagdatli, Climate Policy Specialist, UNDP

11.15 – 11.30

Tripling Renewables and the Role of the Private Sector

Gürbüz Gönül, Director, Country Engagement and Partnerships, IRENA

11.30 – 11.45

Next-generation Climate Targets: A 5-Point Plan for NDCs

Stientje van Veldhoven, WRI Regional Director for Europe, VP

11.45 – 12.30

Panel Discussion on country experiences, opportunities, and challenges for delivering ambitious, accelerated, and inclusive NDCs and LT-LEDS

Luke Mackle, SIPA/OECD

Saule Sabieva, Director at the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Republic of Kazakhstan

Aliona Rusnac, State Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Moldova

Özlem Gülay, Directorate of Climate Change, Government of Türkiye

12.30 – 13.45

Lunch

13.45 – 15.00

Panel 1: Understanding Carbon Pricing and Trade-Related Climate Policies

Moderator: Laura Altinger, Environment & Energy, Europe and the CIS, UNDP

13.45 – 13.55

Carbon pricing in Europe and the CIS: recent developments

Laura Altinger, Environment & Energy, Europe and the CIS, UNDP

13.55 – 14.15

The carbon pricing context in the region: EU-ETS and the accession process, developments in Article 6.2 and 6.4 Paris Agreement and Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director, IETA [remotely]

14.15 – 14.30

Decarbonization methodology and industries' transition to net zero
Değer Saygın, Policy Advisor, Environment Directorate, OECD

14.30 – 14.45

Ukraine's progress on carbon pricing, Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes and Emissions Trading System
Svitlana Sushko, Acting Director of Reform Support Team at the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine

14.45 – 15.00

Q&A

15.00– 15.30

Coffee Break

15.30 – 16.30

Panel 2: Inclusive Forum on Carbon Mitigation Approaches' work on carbon intensity metrics

Moderator: Nejla Saula, Senior Counsellor, OECD

15.30 – 15.45

Presentation of Overview of IFCMA` s mandate and work
Kumi Kitamori, Deputy Director, Environment Directorate, OECD

Recent IFCMA analysis on the main methodologies to compute product- and sector-level carbon intensity metrics.
Yannick Hemmerle, Economist, ECO

15.45 – 16.30

IFCMA Panel: Discussion on the challenges and solutions for businesses especially SMEs in measuring product-level carbon intensities

Aliona Rusnac, State Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Moldova
Saule Sabieva, Director at the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Republic of Kazakhstan

16.30 – 17.45

Panel 3: Adaptation Planning and Implementation

Moderator: Burcu Dagurkuden, NAP Technical Specialist, UNDP

16.30 – 16.45

Role of NAPs in the climate policy and progress on the Global Goal on Adaptation

Rohini Kohli, Senior Technical Advisor, Climate Change Adaptation Policy and Planning, UNDP

16.45 – 17.00

Creating a conducive enabling environment to foster the implementation of NAPs.

Simon Touboul, Economist/Policy Analyst, Climate Adaptation & Resilience Team, Environment Directorate, OECD

17.00 – 17.45

Case studies and best practices

- *Marina Saribekyan, Chief Specialist of Climate Policy Department, Ministry of Environment, Armenia*
- *Mehmed Cero, Assistant Minister on Environment, Federal Ministry on Environment and Tourism, Bosnia and Herzegovina*
- *Utkir Jumanov, Head of Department, Ministry of Ecology, Environmental Protection, Uzbekistan*

18.00-20.00

Networking reception

DAY 2

09.30 – 9.45

Keynote speech on climate finance

Mahmoud Mohieldin, UN Special Envoy on Financing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda

09.45 – 10.15

Panel 1: The landscape of climate finance and key actors

Moderator: Laura Altinger, Environment & Energy, Europe and the CIS, UNDP

09.45 – 10.00

Update on the new collective quantified goal on climate change
Raphael Jachnik, Team Lead & Policy Analyst, Environment Directorate, OECD

10.00 – 10.15

The Reform of the MDBs for Paris Alignment: Do climate change impacts and increasing vulnerability justify greater concessionality for middle-income countries; Climate finance trends in the region
Humberto Lopez, Country Director, Türkiye, World Bank

10.15 – 10.45

Coffee Break

10.45 – 12.15

Panel 2: Policy and Regulatory Frameworks for Paris Alignment

Moderator: Suren Poghosyan, SDG Finance Advisor UNDP

Discussion on green finance in the region

Takayoshi Kate, Programme Lead - Water, Energy, Land-use Nexus in Central Asia, Environment Directorate, OECD

Temur Malik Narzikulov, Director of the Green Projects Center Ministry of Economy and Finance, Uzbekistan

Bakhytzhan Makazhanov, Deputy Chair of the Managing Board Kazakhstan Finance Centre (DAMU)

Salome Tvalodze, Head of Sustainable Finance Division, Financial Stability Department, National Bank of Georgia National Bank of Georgia

12.15 – 13.30

Lunch

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Panel 3: Financing Adaptation Biodiversity and Nature-Based Solutions

Moderator: Ms. Saran Selenge, Knowledge Management officer, UNDP Climate Hub

Finance for adaptation, biodiversity, and nature-based solutions - Enabling frameworks and emerging experiences

Onno van den Heuvel, Global Manager, Biodiversity Finance Initiative (BIOFIN), UNDP

Takayoshi Kato, Programme Lead - Water, Energy, Land-use Nexus in Central Asia, Environment Directorate, OECD

Panel discussion on financing solutions

Aliona Rusnac, State Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Moldova

Kairat Miyatov, Director, Department of Budget Lending, National Fund, Ministry of Finance, Kazakhstan

Nino Antadze, Team Leader, Energy and Environment Portfolio, UNDP Georgia

Thomas Skurtis, Senior Engagement Manager, Nature for Water Facility (online)

14.45 – 15.45

Panel 4: Scaling climate action in the energy sector with non-state actors

Moderator: Ms. Jana Koperniech, UNDP Regional Climate Change Mitigation Specialist

How to scale-up the climate action agenda in the region: the opportunities and gaps in the green transition for the energy sector

14.45-15.00

Role of private sector: Scaling up private sector finance for energy in emerging economies and

Ms. Lucila Arboleya Sarazola, Investment and Financial Analyst - Energy Supply and Investment Outlooks Division International Energy Agency [remotely]

15.00 - 15.10

Role of municipalities: Municipal-level climate action for financing clean energy transition

Dr. Maria Falaleeva, Policy & Institutional Coordinator Covenant of Mayors East

15.10 – 15.20

Role of not-for-profit organizations: engaging stakeholders, including private sector for effective climate action

Thomas Fuhr, Project Manager, Sustainable Finance, BASE

15.20 – 15.40

Role of women and youth: the women's leadership in climate and green energy transition agenda

Tiffany Sprague, STEM4ALL Coordinator, UNDP

Sara Grubanov-Boskovic, Policy Officer, OECD

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Q&A

Closing of the event