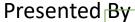
COP 27 Some Key highlights and Financial Institutions

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Introduction

'Conference of the Parties (COP) -a generic phrase in International Relationsspeak:

- Means a committee created after an international treaty is signed,
- tasked with making decisions about how that treaty is implemented.

COP conferences on climate change

 broadly provide a platform for the negotiation of international climate change agreements.



COP in Africa

The 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27) since 2016.

Location: took place in the Egyptian coastal city of Sharm el-Sheikh

Audience was more than 45,000 participants:

World leaders, ministers, and negotiators
discussed/negotiate on how to address climate change and its impacts.

Civil society, businesses, international organizations, and the media serve as **observers** of proceedings to bring transparency and broader perspectives to the negotiations



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Backdrop of COP27

Set against a <u>backdrop</u> of recordhigh levels of hunger and multiyear droughts that continue to grip many parts of the continent.

Framed as the implementation COP, lead to action.





The COP27 decisions – who signed

package of decisions

Final decision signed off by nearly 200 countries

from the major polluters and emerging economies to small island states



Landmark deal to help vulnerable countries - Losses and Damage

- Agreement to establish a fund to compensate vulnerable nations for 'loss and damage' from climate-induced disasters.
 - pushed by developing countries that suffer the most extreme impacts despite small carbon footprints
 - agreed by wealthy polluters
- The deal sets up a transitional committee, with representatives from 24 countries, that will establish how the fund should work, and where the money should come from.
- The group to present its recommendations at Cop28 in the United Arab Emirates in 2023, with a view to getting the fund up and running.

money lent by MDBs - inequitable terms for developing and developed countries



 Small island states and other vulnerable countries highlighted the vastly inequitable terms for the money lent by MDBs to help countries recover from devastating impacts, such as hurricanes and extreme flooding

annual climate funding to poorer countries

Wealthy nations promised to deliver a total of \$100bn annually for climate funding to poorer countries by 2020

it has not yet been met

final agreement from Glasgow expressed "deep regret" for missing this target. This agreement
"expresses serious
concern" and
"urges developed
country Parties to
meet the goal".



Doubling down on the doubling of adaptation finance

to help poorer countries adapt to climate impacts, at COP26 countries signed off on doubling the amount of finance by 2025, totaling more than USD 230 million, made to the Adaptation Fund

this pledge stayed in the final Cop27 deal

Set a 'new collective quantified goal on climate finance' in 2024, taking into account the needs and priorities of developing countries



Failures of climate summit

failure to push further efforts on cutting emissions to keep alive the aspirational goal of limiting global warming to 1.5C from pre-industrial levels.

little progress from last year's COP26 meeting in Glasgow

called on countries to take steps toward "the phasedown of unabated coal power and phase-out of inefficient fossil fuel subsidies," as agreed at the COP26 Glasgow summit.

on key issues around cutting planet-heating pollution



keep the world's
1.5C temperature
goal- slashing
of greenhouse
gas emissions



- Many small island states and African nations say that failure to keep "alive" the aspirational goal of limiting global warming to 1.5C from pre-industrial levels would be a death sentence for their communities.
- So emissions peaking before 2025 was seen as necessary as science tells us.
 - Not in the COP27 agreement

winding down of all fossil fuel use



Like the COP 26, the COP 27 pact

called

- for "accelerating efforts towards the phasedown of unabated coal power and phase-out of inefficient fossil fuel subsidies".
 - No new ambition

for providing "targeted support to the poorest and most vulnerable in line with national circumstances and recognising the need for support towards a just transition".



Other issues harvested at COP27



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launch of the <u>African Carbon</u> <u>Markets Initiative</u> with an intention to "dramatically expand Africa's participation in voluntary carbon markets". The initiative involves seven African countries including Kenya, Malawi, Gabon, Nigeria and Togo and has the support of the UN "high-level champions",



Just Transition

Some activities focused attention on the social aspects of climate change transition and the importance of building a just transition into adaptation and mitigation processes.



"Green Jobs for Youth Pact" initiative, which aims to help close the skills gap for young people, and

unveiling of a <u>Just Transition Finance Tool on</u>
<u>Banking and Investment Activities</u>, developed together with the London School of Economics'
Grantham Research Institute, to help financial institutions embed a just transition dimension throughout their operations.

Just Transition Policy Brief series, designed to improve technical and policy understanding of the application of ILO's Guidelines for a Just Transition towards Environmentally
Sustainable Economies and Societies for All.

a new <u>report on the role enterprises can play in</u> the green transition .



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Requirements for implementing the COP 27 Action - Finance-

<u>Sharm el-Sheikh</u> <u>Implementation Plan -</u> cover decision highlights that a global transformation to a low-carbon economy is expected to require investments of at least USD 4-6 trillion a year



Requirement for delivering such funding

a swift and comprehensive transformation of the financial system and its structures and processes,

engaging governments, central banks, commercial banks, institutional investors and other financial actors.





Less money on the table for restoration of forests than the previous year,



Fears over how carbon removals would be included in opaque new carbon markets

Funds



Financial institutions'put on the watch'

Shareholders of multilateral development banks (MDBs) and other financial institutions urged to

financial bodies to take into account "debt burdens".

reform "their practices and priorities" to "ensure simplified access"

"define a new vision" that "fit for the purpose of adequately addressing the global climate emergency".



Net-zero greenwashing

UN Secretary-General António Guterres had earlier set up an Expert Group that came out with a report on a how-to guide to ensure credible, accountable net-zero pledges and 'zero tolerance.'



The Report provides clarity in four key areas:

environmental integrity;

credibility;

accountability;

the role of governments.



Environmental Integrity

the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is our scientific North Star.

Net-zero pledges must be in line with IPCC scenarios limiting warming to 1.5 degrees.

• That means global emissions must decline by at least 45 per cent by 2030 – and reach net zero by 2050.

Pledges should have interim targets every five years starting in 2025.

And these targets must cover all greenhouse gas emissions and all scopes of emissions.



Environmental Integrity – meaning to stakeholders

For financial institutions, this means all financed activities.

For businesses, it means all emissions -- direct, indirect and those originating from supply chains.

for cities and regions, it means all territorial emissions.

For fossil fuel companies and their financial enablers with voluntary initiatives committing to net-zero it means review of their pledges andaligning them to avoid bogus 'net-zero' pledges

Credibility

Transition plans with their net-zero pledges for full and rapid decarbonization presented by Leaders from business, financial institutions and local authorities

The plans must be publicly available, with detailed, concrete actions to meet all targets.

Management must be accountable for delivering on these pledges.

This means publicly advocating for decisive climate action and disclosing all lobbying activity.

The transition to net-zero must be just and Transition plans address the needs of workers in fossil fuel industries and sectors affected by the renewable energy transition.

Private financial institutions must now fully facilitate investments for a renewable energy revolution, and proactively work with international financial institutions to address issues of cost of capital and risk perceptions.

By the first half of 2023, all existing net-zero voluntary initiatives must explain how they will align and revise their standards accordingly -- and all new initiatives must abide by these recommendations.



Accountability

full transparency

register pledges, publish transition plans, and track annual reporting on implementation. Through the Global Climate Action Portal

all net-zero voluntary initiatives to accelerate efforts to standardize progress reports, in an open format and via public platforms that feed into the UNFCCC Portal.



Governments

Provides strong political leadership.

ensure that these voluntary initiatives become the "new normal".

provide non-state entities with a level playing field to transition to a just, net-zero future.

governments to build a net-zero regulatory environment to fit their needs and national circumstances.

G20 -- together with all OECD countries must rapidly regulate, design policies, pass legislation and approve budgets to limit warming to 1.5 degrees and thus accelerate the decarbonization of their economies and end their addiction and subsidies to fossil fuels.





Natural Eco Capital Supporting in Climate Action















At COP27

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Capital +
Partners
held three
side events at
COP27









All Sectors



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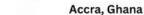
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Financial Sector Credit Facility for SMEs (FSCFS)

Phase 1: Market Study

Market Assessement Report for GCF Proposal Phase 2: Country Diagnostic

Enabling
Environment
Report for the
Youth Adapt
Finance and Youth
led business under
AAAP

Phase 3: Credit Line Design

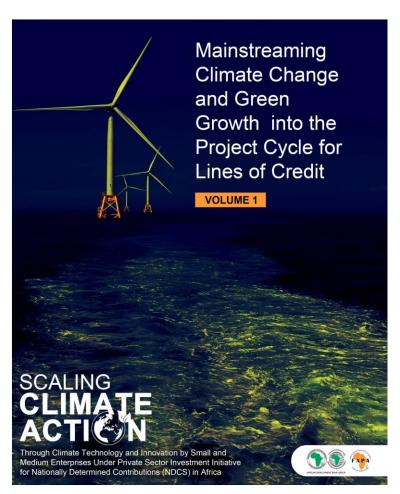
Design of SME Financial Sector Credit Facility Phase 4: GCF Funding Proposal & Closure

GCF Funding Proposal





Supporting Financial Institutions and SMEs for Climate Action











AfDB releases toolkits to help SMEs access green investment (esi-africa.com) https://www.esiafrica.com/industrysectors/finance-andpolicy/afdb-toolkits-to-helpsmes-access-greeninvestment-opportunities/

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Conclusion





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Collective action required



We can work together to accelerate implementation



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