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# What's on the Table for the Negotiations

## What Congress Needs to Know about COP29

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

# About EESI



## **Non-partisan Educational Resources for Policymakers**

A bipartisan Congressional caucus founded EESI in 1984 to provide non-partisan information on environmental, energy, and climate policies



## **Direct Assistance for Equitable and Inclusive Financing Program**

In addition to a full portfolio of federal policy work, EESI provides direct assistance to utilities to develop “on-bill financing” programs



## **Commitment to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice**

We recognize that systemic barriers impede fair environmental, energy, and climate policies and limit the full participation of Black, Indigenous, people of color, and legacy and frontline communities in decision-making



## **Sustainable Solutions**

*Our mission is to advance science-based solutions for climate change, energy, and environmental challenges in order to achieve our vision of a sustainable, resilient, and equitable world.*

# Polycymaker Education

## Briefings and Webcasts



Live, in-person and online public briefings, archived webcasts, and written summaries

## Climate Change Solutions



Bi-weekly newsletter with everything policymakers and concerned citizens need to know, including a legislation and hearings tracker

## Fact Sheets and Issue Briefs



Timely, objective coverage of environmental, clean energy, and climate change topics

## Social Media (@EESIOnline)



Active engagement on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube



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**Methane Mitigation on the Global Stage | Thursday, October 24, 12:00 – 1:00 PM**

**U.S.-China Engagement and International Climate Diplomacy  
Friday, October 25, 12:00 – 1:00 PM**



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# COP29/CMP19/CMA6/SBSTA61/SBI61

Nov 11-22, 2024 | Baku, Azerbaijan

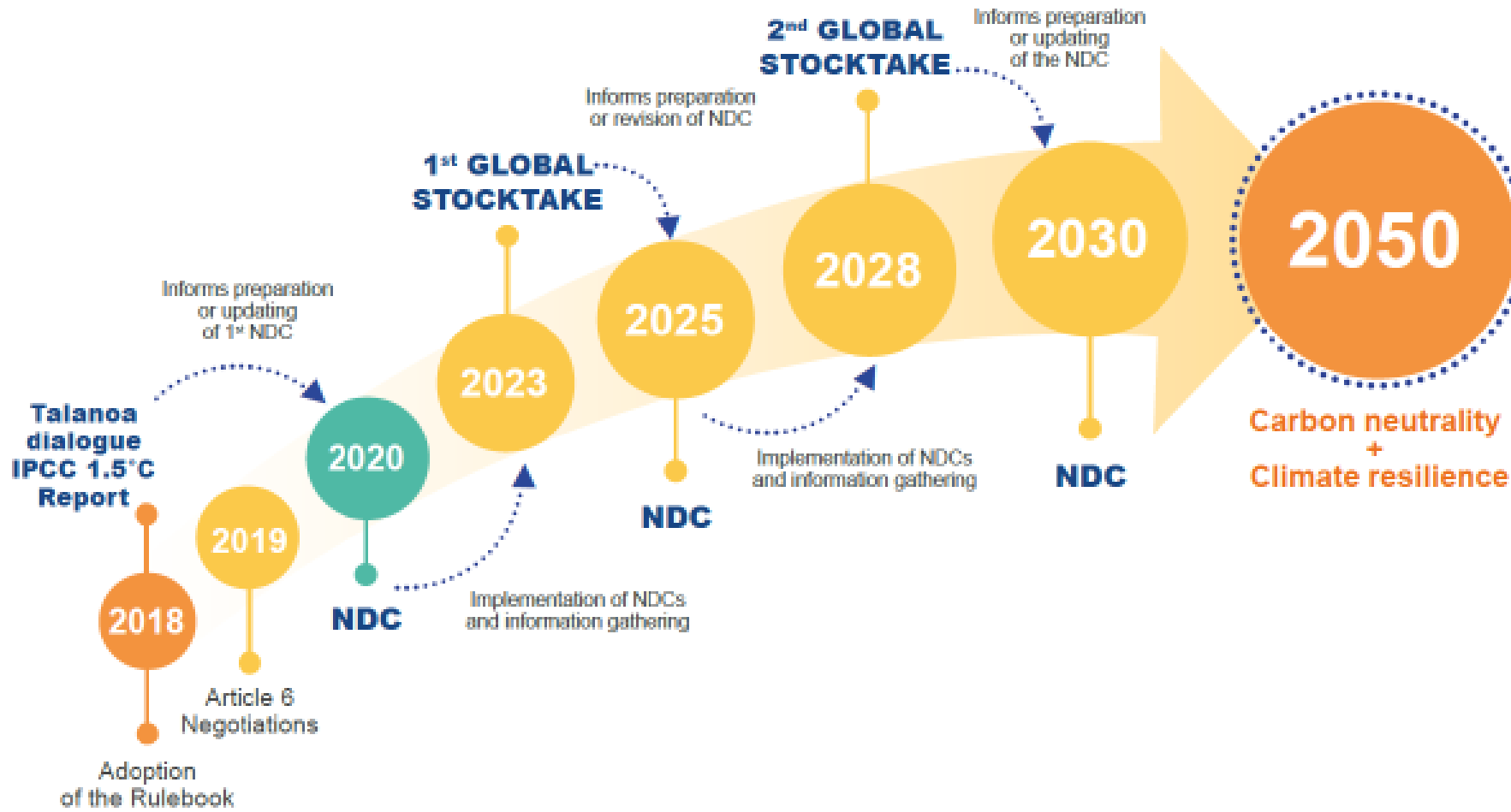
- **Week 1 – technical work of SBs**

- **11 Nov: Opening plenaries** of COP/CMP/CMA and SBI/SBSTA
- **11 – 16 Nov: SBI/SBSTA Negotiations** contact groups, informals, and inf/infs
- **Mandated events**, like Youth Climate Forum and Multilateral Assessment
- **Presidency events**, like World Leaders Climate Action Summit
- **Other high-level events**, like HLM Dialogue on Climate Finance
- **16 Nov: Closing plenaries** of SBI/SBSTA -> draft decisions

- **Week 2 – political work of COPs**

- **18 -21 Nov:**
- Resumed HLS
- Mandated events like HLM roundtable on pre-2030 Ambition, HLM Dialogue on Adaptation Finance, GCA High-Level event
- Bilaterals and closed sessions where Parties look to find convergence on COP/CMP/CMA decision texts
- **22 Nov: Closing plenaries** of COP/CMP/CMA (in theory)

# Implementing the Paris Agreement: GST, ETF, and NDC Ambition



# COP29 key issues

- **Climate finance:** Decision on new collective quantified goal (NCQG) to replace the existing \$100b/year; focus on quantity, quality, and source of cli fi - COP29 = “the finance COP”
- **NDC 3.0:** Mandate submission of updated NDCs in 2025 pre COP30 in Belem; focus on GST1 impact on ambition, mitigation work programme (MWP) support, and BTRs’ impact on reporting transparency
- **Adaptation:** Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA), pledges in revised NDCs, parity between adaptation and mitigation finance ... Loss and Damage Fund





# COP 29

## Reporting Obligations and Finance

Presenter: Dr. Lynn Wagner

# NDCs

## Nationally Determined Contributions

- outline a country's climate strategy
- submitted every five years
- next NDCs due 10 February 2025 (second update/third round)
- “ratchet” mechanism for increasing ambition
- countries may announce elements during COP 29



# BTRs

## Biennial Transparency Reports

- complementary component of the transparency mechanism under the Paris Agreement
- track progress towards commitments in NDCs
- first submission due 31 December 2024



# NCQG

## New Collective Quantified Goal on Climate Finance

New finance goal negotiations = key issue of COP 29

- How much will it be?
- Who contributes?
- Who gets support?

This will define climate action for years to come

### ENB COP 29 coverage:

<https://enb.iisd.org/baku-un-climate-change-conference-cop29>



# The Road to Baku

*Jennifer Huang, Director of International Strategies, C2ES*

*EESI What Congress Needs to Know About COP29: What's on the Table for the Negotiations*



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# Outcomes from the First Global Stocktake

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- First global stocktake (**GST**) concluded at COP28 in Dubai
- It set out key signals to be taken up by Parties
  - Mitigation signals (paragraph 28), e.g., tripling of renewable energy capacity globally by 2030
  - Adaptation signals
- GST mandate includes:
  - Enhanced international cooperation to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement
  - **Parties consider outcome of the GST in new NDCs due February 2025**

## Outcomes from the Global Stocktake, cont'd

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- New GST-focused dialogues/process:
  - **NDC (Annual GST) Dialogue** “to facilitate the sharing of lessons learned on how the GST outcomes are informing the preparation of Parties’ next NDCs”
    - Two-day workshop held in June reflecting on integrating GST outcomes in NDCs
  - **The “refinement” process for the second GST:** concludes November 2024
    - Second GST 2026-2028
  - **UAE Dialogue on implementing the GST outcomes:** November 2024

# Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme



- Glasgow, COP26 (November 2021): Parties the mitigation work program (**MWP**)
- Mandate is to urgently scale up mitigation ambition and implementation in this critical decade in a manner that complements the GST
- Named the Sharm el-Sheikh Mitigation Ambition and Implementation Work Programme when operationalized at COP27 (2022)
- It features two global dialogues and investment-focused events every year
- The COP28 (2023) decision requested Parties to consider progress, including key findings, opportunities and barriers, in implementing the MWP to inform a decision to be adopted at COP29



# United Arab Emirates Just Transition Work Programme

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- “Just transition” now formally discussed with the establishment of the UAE Just Transition Work Programme at COP27 (2022)
- Operationalized at COP28 (2023)
- 2-3 June 2024: First UAE JTWP Dialogue, focusing on just transition pathways in NDCs, national adaptation plans, long-term low-emission development strategies
- In the negotiations, Parties are considering the topics and nature of next Dialogue, the scope and approach to the JTWP, including linkages
- Parties in Baku will clarify their vision for future of the work programme

## Paris Ambition Cycle: A Critical Moment

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- The period from the end of the GST at COP28 in 2023 through to 2025's COP30 – a crucial period to take forward the GST targets and signals, translate them into effective domestic policies and measures as well as to enhance international cooperation on climate action
- Presidencies' Troika and Mission 1.5C leadership could, moving beyond current focus on new NDCs, seek enhanced ambition in the wider context of the UN system
- See C2ES paper series on what kind of leadership is needed or missing in taking forward a subset of the targets and signals from the GST outcome:  
<https://www.c2es.org/supporting-the-paris-agreement/global-stocktake-an-opportunity-for-ambition/>



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**U.S. Stakeholders at COP29**  
**Ryan Finnegan, World Wildlife Fund**



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## **Role of U.S. Stakeholders at COP**

- **Influence Negotiations**
  - **Strengthen Relationships**
    - Track II and III Diplomacy
  - **Share Announcements/Expertise/Progress Points**
  - **Programming and Events**
  - **Bilateral/Multilateral Meetings**
  - **Advocacy, Activations, etc.**
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## Tracking U.S. Stakeholders at COP

- **Tribal Nations Leadership**
- **1 U.S. Governor, Dozens of State Employees**
- **10~ U.S. Mayors and Elected City Leaders**

*New Mexico, Arkansas, Mississippi, California, Texas*

- **60+ Academic Reps from Dozens of U.S. Colleges and Universities**
  - **Large and Small Businesses, Investors**
  - **Faith Groups, Health Care Organizations, Cultural Institutions, etc.**
  - **NGOs, Community Organizations, Youth Groups, etc.**
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# COP29

NOVEMBER 2024

Date	Schedule
11 November 2024	COP29 Opening Ceremony
12 November 2024	World Leaders Climate Action Summit
13 November 2024	World Leaders Climate Action Summit
14 November 2024	Finance, Investment and Trade
15 November 2024	Energy, Peace, Relief and Recovery
16 November 2024	Science, Technology and Innovation/Digitalisation
17 November 2024	Rest Day
18 November 2024	Human Capital/Children and Youth/Health/Education
19 November 2024	Food, Agriculture and Water
20 November 2024	Urbanisation/Transport/Tourism
21 November 2024	Nature and Biodiversity/Indigenous People/Gender Equality/ Oceans and Coastal Zones
22 November 2024	Final Negotiations



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## Select Events - America Is All In

- **Nov. 14 America Is All In Action Center Opening**
- **Nov. 14 - Fireside Chat with Governor Jay Inslee**
- **Nov. 16 - Senators on Future of Climate Legislation**
- **Nov. 15/16 - Town Hall for U.S. Stakeholders**
- **Nov. 16 - International *Alliances for Climate Action* events**

Our pavilion location is: **G18 Blue Zone (America Is All In Action Center/WWF)**

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## Other Resources

- **Official Presidency Programme**

- <https://cop29.az/en/pages/cop29-presidency-action-agenda-letter>

- **UN Climate Change Conference Side Events & Exhibits**

- [https://seors.unfccc.int/applications/seors/reports/events\\_list.html](https://seors.unfccc.int/applications/seors/reports/events_list.html)

- **World Climate Summit - The Investment COP**

- <https://www.worldclimatesummit.org/baku-programme>

- **COP29 Ocean Pavilion**

- <https://oceanpavilion-cop.org>

- **WWF Panda Hub**

- [https://wwf.panda.org/discover/our\\_focus/climate\\_and\\_energy\\_practice/cop29/](https://wwf.panda.org/discover/our_focus/climate_and_energy_practice/cop29/)



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## COP29 Guides

The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and COP Presidencies also produce guides for COP participants which you can access here:

- [Information for COP 28 participants \(A-Z\) | UNFCCC](#)
- [Observer Handbook for COP29.pdf - Google Drive](#)



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## Other Resources

**COP28 U.S. Non-Federal Delegation Tracker (Submission Form):**

<https://forms.gle/ywcfgHu7M77wnAweb6>

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