



United Nations Climate Change

Work Programme on Just
Transition Pathways and
international partnership

**Road to COP28 UAE" - G7 Driving Collective
Action and Financing on Just Transitions and
Green Jobs and Skills**

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Why Just transition is important for delivering Climate commitments

Increases acceptability of policies

Inclusive and Leaves no one behind

- Implement social protections system/policies for affected workforce
- Creating opportunity for skills transfer
- Addressing the issue of energy poverty
- Social dialogues - all voices in decision making process
- Manage distributional impacts equally among people and community
- Financing just transition

Reinforce the urgency of coordinated efforts

Support climate actions

Evolution of the issue

Initial

- Perceived as an issue “owned” by oil-producing countries
- Most divisive issues under UNFCCC with strong debate without any conclusions

Progression to implementation

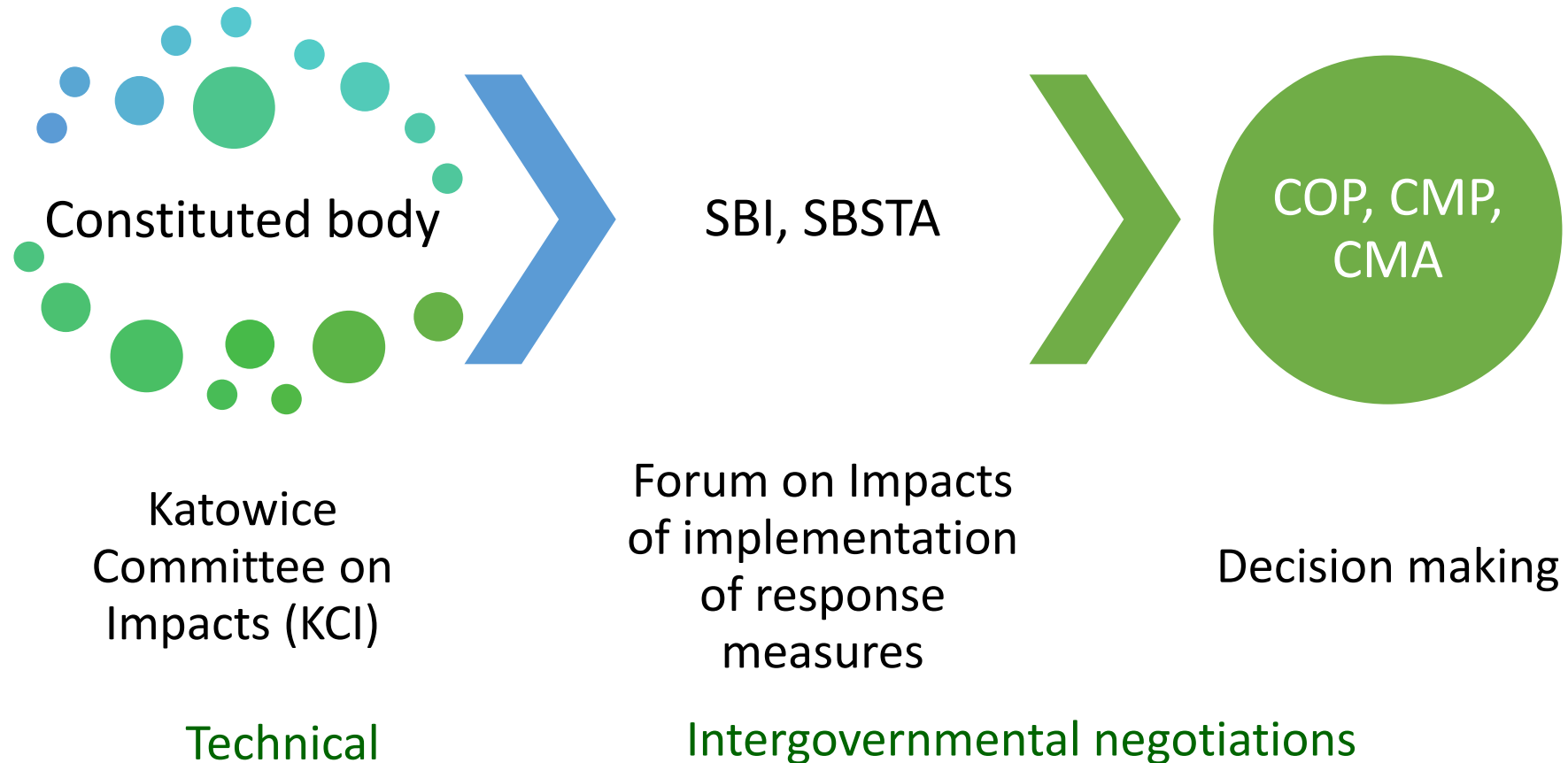
- More countries **from G77 and China increasingly** engaged in the discussion
- Establishment of the forum in 2011 (for 3 yrs)
- Continuation as improved forum in 2015 (for 3 yrs)
- Establishment of ad-hoc TEG in 2015

Implementation

Since 2018

- Establishment of RM forum to serve all supreme bodies
- Establishment of the KCI – a constituted body
- Establishment of 6 year workplan for the forum and the KCI

Current Institutional arrangements process dealing with Just transition



Functions of forum on impacts of implementation of response measures

- Provide a platform to share, information, experiences, case studies, best practices and views;
- Provide concrete examples, case studies and practices
- Facilitate assessment and analysis of the impact of the implementation of response measures, including the use and development of modelling tools and methodologies;
- Enhance capacity and the understanding of Parties on the impacts of mitigation actions
- Promote action to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures
- Enhance cooperation among Parties, stakeholders, external organizations, experts and institutions,

Work programme on Impacts of implementation of response measures

- Economic diversification and transformation
- Just transition of the workforce and the creation of decent work and quality jobs
- Assessing and analyzing the impacts of the implementation of response measures
- Facilitating the development of tools and methodologies to assess the impacts of the implementation of response measures

Activity 2 of the six-year work programme

IMPLEMENTATION OF JUST TRANSITION AND ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION STRATEGIES

A compilation of best practices from different countries

SCOPE AND OBJECTIVE AT A GLANCE

This publication presents a compilation of various country driven strategies and best practices on economic diversification, transformation and just transition of the workforce to create decent work and quality jobs.

It informs on the challenges as well as the opportunities arising from implementing low GHG emission policies towards the achievement of sustainable development and net zero economies.

This poster illustrates a few of the country driven strategies towards the abovementioned goals both on a local and regional scale highlighted in the publication. To access the full report, please use the QR code below.

TECHNICAL PUBLICATION: IMPLEMENTATION OF JUST TRANSITION AND ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION STRATEGIES

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Contrat de transition écologique - ecological transition contract/partnership, a partnership with local communities in France

Contrat de Transition Ecologique is a partnership programme between the government and local communities to diversify the local economy, for sustainability and environmentally responsible development. The partnership is built together with public and private actors, such as elected officials, businesses and citizens, in order to create economic activities and social opportunities.

Just transition is Midlands Region of Ireland

In it's transition to a low-carbon economy, which impacts are mainly concentrated in Midlands region, Ireland has, among others, established The National Just Transition Fund and the Just Transition Commissioner. The National Just Transition Fund is supporting diverse innovative and employment-generating projects, covering a wide range of opportunities, including opportunities for reskilling. The Just Transition Commissioner is tasked to engage with stakeholders in the Midlands Region and recommend the essential elements of a just transition.

United States federal programmes on Just Transitions

Clean Power Plan (CPP) aims to limit emissions of power generation plants and create long term plan for the United States economic divide. It was also designed to assist communities affected by change in the coal and energy industry. It was also intended, among others, to diversify the economy, and create jobs in new or existing industries.

Sustainable urban model of solidarity economy by Enda Colombia in Bogotá

The project paves the way for a sustainable and gender-responsive city through economic empowerment of women recyclers. It empowers women's civic participation through training of community leaders and developing neighborhood committees that ensure decent work in the recycling sector

Sustainable low emissions island mobility project of Antigua and Barbuda

The project promotes green transport through promotion of electric mobility, capacity-building through recycling training, emergency response training, an enabling framework for the transition to low-emission development through an electric vehicles pilot and a funding window (electric taxis). The project engages different stakeholders such as bus and taxi associations, car dealerships, and trains students at technical schools on the mechanics of electric vehicles.

Solar cooperatives of women cooperatives for Argan oil of Morocco for a sustainable local economy

The project contributes to the energy transition and the local economy through a community-based and gender-responsive approach. Capacity-building, empowerment and training are key cooperative principles of the project. The project creates jobs that strengthen women's economic and political empowerment.

Hybrit - fossil fuel - free steel production in Sweden

Hybrit aims to reduce the carbon dioxide emissions in the steel industries in Sweden and Finland by replacing coking coal with hydrogen produced using renewable electricity. This change in industry helps to generate 2000 new jobs and enhanced regional cooperation.

Odense port of Denmark - From shipyard to pioneering green industrial park

Odense port was best known for building container ships. Following the Danish Climate Act in 2019 and closure of the port, the workers were retained and different stakeholders worked together to transform the port from an international shipyard to a thriving hub in the energy, offshore wind and maritime sectors, with local industry and hospitality servicing the site.

Economic Transformation through women's empowerment through skill development in Indonesia

The YAKKUM project empowers women's groups to identify and implement adaptation strategies within their communities. The project is a context based adaptation project tackling various threats such as landslides, droughts and deforestation. The project also focuses on developing more efficient water management as well as rehabilitation of traditional knowledge. The YAKKUM projects helps guaranteeing gender-just, income-generating activities, thus improving women's livelihoods and economic independence.

Island Eco, a transformative project for young women in the energy transition

The project aims to increase young women's economic independence and political participation, by training and developing women's skills. The young women are trained to assemble, install, operate and maintain solarpowered lights, refrigerators and freezers in the Marshall Islands.

New Zealand's just transition unit

Following New Zealand commitments to move towards a green economy and an announcement that no other offshore oil and gas exploration permits will be issued, Taranaki Just Transition Unit works to build and develop partnerships between the central government, Maori councils, communities, workers and businesses to support successful transition for the region.

The Philippines Green Jobs Act

The Green Jobs Act provides three mechanisms that businesses can choose from to demonstrate that they are a green business enterprise. The Green Job Act provides incentives to business enterprises to conduct skills training and invest in technologies that promote and generate green jobs.

India's Sustainable Partnership for Rooftop Solar Acceleration in Bharat, SUPRADHA

The capacity-building programme drives India towards a more sustainable future by offering training to various stakeholders to enhance the understanding of the structural grid of rooftop solar panel systems, business models, financing opportunities, risk and risk mitigation strategies, as well as project costing and evaluation.

Community-owned and gender-just agroecological system in Zambia

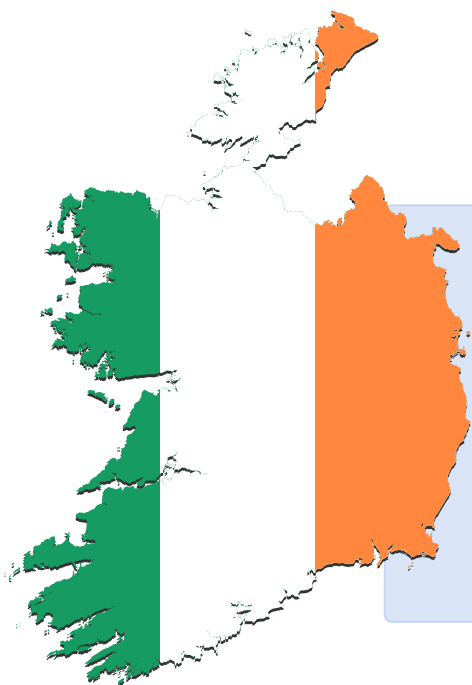
Green Living Movement promotes sustainable agriculture practices, adoption of solar home systems and tree planting to reduce the vulnerability of rural women farmers to the negative impacts of droughts and floods. The project empowers women by involving them in decision-making processes on access and management of natural resources for diversified livelihood and farming activities, and thereby safeguarding their right to food, rural employment, a safe environment and climate justice.

- Gender and women empowerment
- Agriculture
- Oil, gas and energy
- Renewable energy
- Reduce and Reuse - New emerging industries
- Community, government, policy implementation and local partnership and initiatives



Spain's national strategy for just transition of coal-dependent communities

- National strategy for just transition which focuses on the promotion of decarbonization programmes.
- Former coal miners are being supported in the transition by participatory strategies for early retirement, promoting clean energy initiatives and reskilling of the workforce.



Just transition in the Ireland's Midlands region

- Transition to a low-carbon economy is underway as a result of the closure of peat-fired power stations and end of peat harvesting in the Midland regions.
- National Just Transition Fund and Just Transition Commissioner were established to support the transition.

Indicators and Tracking progress of Just Transition

A three-layer potential monitoring framework

- **Three overarching themes in relation to just transition: risks, responses, and results**
- **Ten building blocks summarizing key components**
 - fossil fuel exposure, institutional preparedness, just transition plan and policy, government commitment, social dialogue and stakeholder engagement, climate and environmental protection, economic diversification, social equity, public acceptance and employment and decent jobs.
- **Multiple quantitative and qualitative indicators**
 - break the key components down into tangible information for each building block. These indicators also assess the impacts of a just transition for vulnerable groups and considers factors such as age, gender and income.

Private sector engagement for creation of decent work and quality jobs

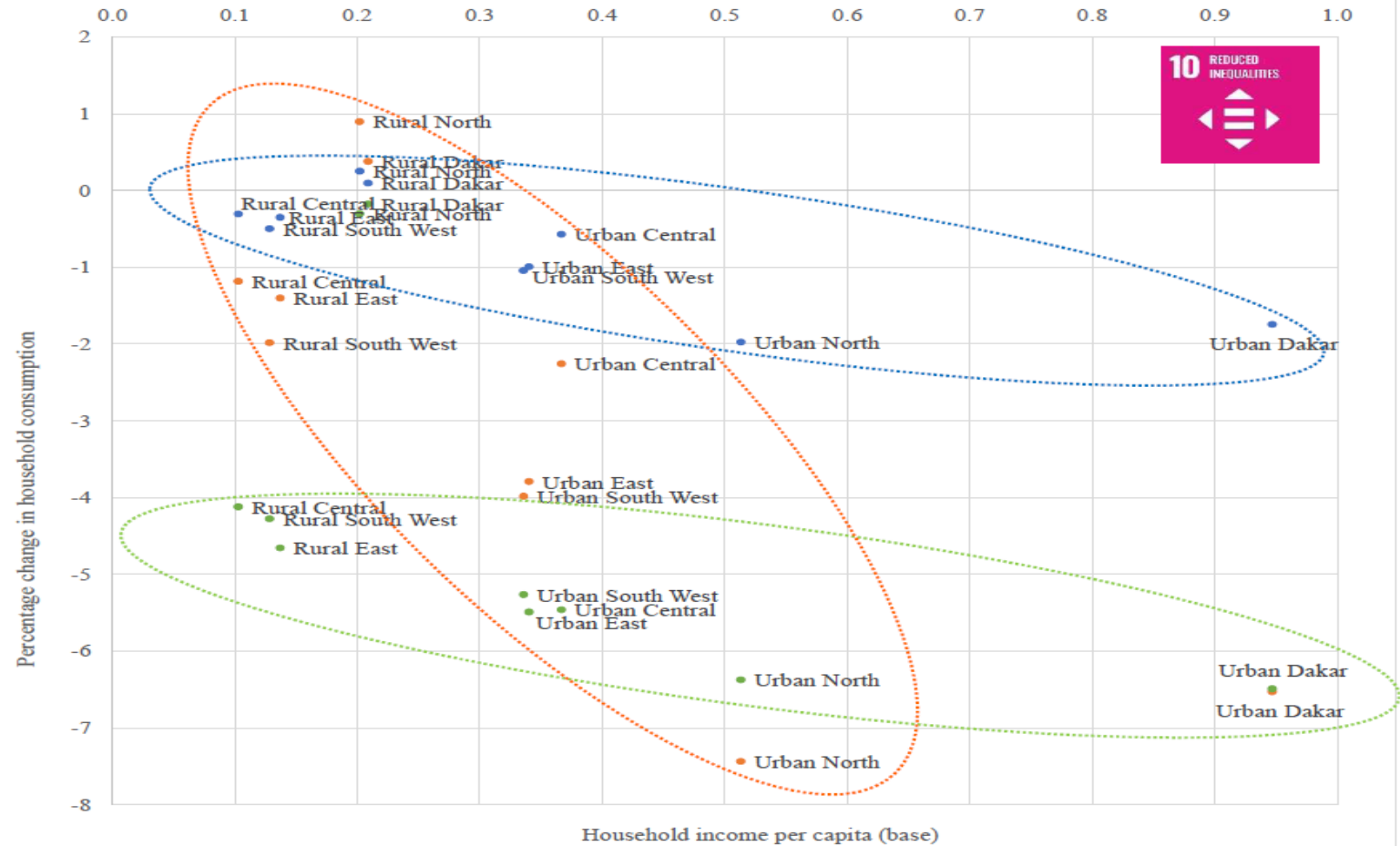
- (a) State of play of private sector and small and medium enterprises in low GHG emission sectors in different regions;
- (b) Type of engagements between private partners and development stakeholders including partner country governments, bilateral and multilateral aid agencies, international financial institutions and civil society organisations;
- (c) Building blocks for private sector engagement in partnerships, and creation of decent work and quality jobs in low GHG emission sectors;
- (d) Private sector engagement strategies;
- (e) Tools for private sector engagement; and
- (f) Partnerships to facilitate creation of decent work and quality jobs.

Transition impact assessment



- ***If you cannot measure it, you cannot manage it***
- **Uncertainty**
 - in net benefits of green, net zero transition,
 - as well as distribution of costs and benefits among winners and losers.

Case study of Senegal: a CGE analysis



Just Transition under impacts of implementation of response measures track at COP 28

Events

- Event on “Engaging the private sector to facilitate decent work and quality jobs in low GHG emission sectors”
- Event “Understanding the Effects of Response Measures to Support Just Transition and Economic Diversification: Case Studies”

Negotiations

- Consideration of annual report of KCI
- Conclude mid term review of the workplan;
- Conclude review of modalities, work programme and functions of the forum and KCI;

Sharm El-Sheikh Implementation Plan

To establish a **work programme on just transition** for discussion of pathways to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement (UAE).

To convene an **annual high-level ministerial round table on just transition**, as part of such work programme, beginning at CMA 5 (UAE).



Just Transition work programme at COP 28

Pre-COP

Synthesis report based on submissions

Workshop before SB59

Report from the workshop

COP 28

Decide on the work programme

Annual high-level ministerial round table on just transition

Just Transition Initiatives

Some examples highlighted in submissions:

- “Office for a Just Socio-Ecological Transition” - Chile;
- "Green Jobs Taskforce" - UK;
- “Justice40”, "U.S. Interagency Working Group on Coal and Power Plant Communities and Economic Revitalization", "American Climate Corps (ACC)" - US;
- "National Transformation Principles" and "Net Zero Economy Agency"/"Net Zero Economy Agency" - Australia;
- Taskforce for Just Transition for Coal Power Workers and Communities (JTTF) and the "Sustainable Jobs Plan for 2023-2025" - Canada;
- "2053 green transition goal" - Turkey;
- "Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP)".

Resources

[Publications](#)

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