

Bulletin #23 (English #2) - September/2024

Introduction

This is the Monthly Bulletin of the Paris Agreement Monitor, which tracks the key developments in the Paris Agreement negotiation process, including meetings, workshops, official statements, submission deadlines, and document publications. The reported developments are those that occurred up until the last day of the reference month.

The Bulletin presents **retrospective updates** related to the previous month, and **future updates** concerning the current month, based on the publication of documents and event schedules available on the official agendas of the UNFCCC website. It also includes open deadlines and document submissions by the Parties and UNFCCC bodies.

The developments are categorized according to the main thematic pillars of the Paris Agreement negotiations: Mitigation, Adaptation, Loss and Damage, Carbon Markets, Finance, Forests, Gender, Transparency, Global Stocktake, Compliance, Technical Capacity Building, Response Measures, Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples, Action for Climate Empowerment, Research, Technology, and Just Transition. For issues concerning the entire negotiation process and the UNFCCC system, we use the General category.

At the end of the edition, you will find a glossary with the most frequently used terms in the document.

The updates are reported in a way that describes the events and their relevance in the negotiation process. For more in-depth information on the content of the discussions at each described event, you can access the links provided in the updates. The links refer to the original transcript of the mentioned documents, meeting agendas and minutes, submitted documents, event recordings, referred technical reports, and official event web pages. All disclosed information is official and obtained through the UNFCCC website.

In this monthly bulletin, there is no critical analysis from the LACLIMA Paris Agreement Observatory team on the updates, but technical opinions may be issued on specific matters in other adjacent publications. If you are interested in learning more about our technical opinions, please contact us at info@laclima.org.

To understand each thematic pillar of the negotiations and the issues being addressed, we recommend reading this Bulletin together with the publication "Summary of COP 28 Results: A Guide to the Main Decisions Made in Dubai."

Happy reading!

This edition:

In **August**, we had updates regarding the themes of:

Adaptation, Carbon Markets, and Climate Finance.

In **September**, the program includes events regarding the themes of:

Adaptation, Carbon Markets, Climate Finance, Loss and Damage, Response Measures, Technology, and Transparency.

There are **active and open calls for submissions** regarding the themes of:

Action on Climate Empowerment, Adaptation, Agriculture, Carbon Markets, Climate Finance, Global Stocktake, Just Transition, Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples, Loss and Damage, and Response Measures.

Happened in August:

General

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: Report of the Global Environment Facility to the COP 29.

Date: August 12st, 2024.

Involved Body: Global Environment Facility (GEF).

Summary: The Global Environment Facility published its annual report to the Conference of the Parties to the Twenty-Ninth Session to the Conference of the Parties United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Related Links: report.

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: Letter from the Presidency of COP 29.

Date: August 30th, 2024.

Involved Body: Presidency of COP 29.

Summary: The letter stresses the urgency of taking concrete steps toward climate action ahead of COP29 in Baku, focusing on two main pillars: enhancing ambition and enabling action, with a strong emphasis on climate finance. Transparency is highlighted as a key element in building mutual trust and accountability among Parties. The use of Biennial

Transparency Reports (BTRs) under the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) is deemed essential for measuring and reporting progress.

COP29 Presidency calls on all Parties to submit their BTRs early to show a strong commitment to transparency. The letter also commends countries that have already submitted and mentions that Azerbaijan is also preparing its BTR ahead of COP29. It stresses that while some countries may face challenges in preparing their reports, early efforts will be recognized and appreciated at the conference.

To maintain momentum, the COP29 Presidency will host a High-Level Dialogue (HLD) on September 3rd, 2024. This dialogue aims to raise awareness on the importance of universal participation in the ETF and promote collaboration among stakeholders. During the HLD, the Baku Global Climate Transparency Platform (BTP) will be launched, designed to support Parties in preparing their BTRs and to facilitate the implementation of the ETF beyond 2024.

The BTP will focus on building confidence, supporting capacity-building, and mobilizing resources to help developing countries meet their transparency commitments. It will complement existing transparency initiatives and provide a platform for knowledge exchange and collaboration among Parties. The COP29 Presidency invites all Parties to participate in the HLD and to engage with the BTP to ensure its effectiveness and to better understand the needs of different countries.

Finally, the letter encourages the inclusion of diverse groups such as civil society, Indigenous Peoples, women, and youth in the transparency process. By working inclusively, the aim is to strengthen trust and accountability, thereby raising collective ambition on climate action. The letter concludes by urging continued support and commitment to transparent and effective climate action, which is essential for achieving global climate goals and ensuring a sustainable future.

Related Links: letter.

Adaptation

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: Synthesis of submissions on the UAE–Belém work programme on indicators.

Date: August 8th, 2024.

Involved Body: SBI and SBSTA.

Summary: The Subsidiary Bodies (the SBI and the SBSTA) published a synthesis report of the submissions received regarding the UAE–Belém work programme on indicators, as requested by Decision 2/CMA.5. The report highlights general views on the work programme, possible indicators to be used, experiences and lessons learned from similar processes, and modalities of the work programme, including inputs outputs and the involvement of stakeholders.

Related Links: report.

Carbon Markets

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: CDM transition process flow chart.

Date: August 13th, 2024.

Involved Body: Article 6.4 Supervisory Board.

Summary: The Article 6.4 Supervisory Board published a flow chart detailing how the

transition process from the Clean Development Mechanism will work.

Related Links: flow chart.

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: In-session workshop under the framework of Article 6.8.

Date: August 14th, 2024.

Involved Body: SBSTA.

Summary: The SBSTA published the report of the in-session workshop under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement.

Related Links: report.

Climate Finance

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: First workshop in 2024 under the Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2.1(c) and Article 9 of the Paris Agreement.

Date: August 11th, 2024.

Involved Body: UNFCCC Secretariat.

Summary: The summary report for the first workshop in 2024 under the Sharm el-Sheikh dialogue on the scope of Article 2, paragraph 1(c), of the Paris Agreement and its complementarity with Article 9, of the Paris Agreement was published.

Related Links: report.

Event Type: Publication.

Subject: Updated input paper for the third meeting under the ad hoc work programme on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance.

Date: August 29th, 2024.

Involved Body: Ad Hoc Work Programme on the NCQG (AHWP).

Summary: The updated input paper prepared by the co-chairs of the ad hoc work programme on the NCQG presents a summary of the views and opinions expressed by Parties and groups of Parties, as well as written contributions submitted throughout the entire ad hoc programme, in addition to providing a summary overview of the packages of elements for the NCQG, which will serve as a basis for the work to be developed in the third meeting of the AHWP.

Related Links: document.

Will happen in September:

Adaptation

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Twenty-sixth meeting of the Adaptation Committee.

Date: September 9th-13th, 2024.

Involved Body: Adaptation Committee (AC).

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes: (i) technical guidance and training materials to support the implementation of the UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience; (ii) recommendations on how to improve reporting on adaptation action and progress; (iii) identifying information on indicators reported by Parties in their national reports and communications; (iv) work of the Adaptation Committee Task Force on National Adaptation Plans; (v) state of Adaptation Action by Parties; (vi) 2024 synthesis report on recognizing adaptation efforts of developing country Parties; (vii) awareness-raising, outreach and sharing of information; and (viii) report of the Adaptation Committee to COP 29.

Related Links: event page.

Climate Finance

Event Type: Forum.

Subject: 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance.

Date: September 2nd-3rd, 2024.

Involved Body: Standing Committee on Finance.

Summary: The 2024 edition of the Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance will focus on accelerating climate action and resilience through gender-responsive financing. There will be sessions on gender-responsive finance and the challenges and opportunities of climate change mitigation, adaptation and loss and damage, implementing gender-responsive development strategies, climate change plans and investment frameworks, public financial management, integration with the financial sector, and needs and priorities relating to gender-responsive finance.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Thirty-fifth Standing Committee on Finance Meeting.

Date: September 4th-6th, 2024.

Involved Body: Standing Committee on Finance (SCF).

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes the drafting of reports, such as the Sixth biennial assessment and overview of climate finance flows, the Second report on the determination of the needs of developing country Parties related to implementing the Convention and the Paris Agreement, the Second report on progress towards achieving the goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion per year, the Report on common practices regarding climate finance definitions, reporting and accounting methods, the Report of the 2024 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance, and Report of the Standing Committee on Finance to the COP and CMA. Also, there will be discussions regarding the 2025 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance, draft guidance to the Operating Entities of the Financial Mechanism and linkages with constituted bodies under the Convention and the Paris Agreement.

Related Links: event page and agenda.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Eleventh technical expert dialogue and third meeting under the ad hoc work programme on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance.

Date: September 9th-12th, 2024.

Involved Body: Ad hoc work programme on the new collective quantified goal on climate finance (AHWP).

Summary: Throughout the meeting, Parties will be invited to share their views on the input paper prepared by co-chairs ahead of the meeting, with a view to streamlining and narrowing options on each element of the new collective quantified goal on climate finance (NCQG).

Related Links: event page.

Response Measures

Event Type: Dialogue.

Subject: First Global Dialogue on Evidence-based approaches and holistic strategies to maximize co-benefits and minimize negative impacts of implementing NDCs.

Date: September 9th-10th, 2024.

Involved Body: Katowice Committee on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures.

Summary: The event will be organized in the following sessions: (i) inclusive transition pathways for sustainable development; (ii) understanding multifaceted economic, social and environmental impacts of climate change policies and actions; (iii) measurement and verification of impacts of implementing NDCs; (iv) strategies for maximizing co-benefits and minimizing negative impacts in the design and implementation of NDCs; and (v) support needs for use of tools and methodologies.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Eleventh meeting of the Katowice Committee on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures.

Date: September 11th-13th, 2024.

Involved Body: Katowice Committee on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures.

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes updates from SB60, outlook for COP 29, tracking progress of implementation of mandates for the KCI, implementation of the workplan, and the annual report 2024 of the Katowice Committee on Impacts.

Related Links: event page.

Carbon Markets

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 3rd meeting of the Methodological Expert Panel.

Date: September 9th-13th, 2024.

Involved Body: Methodological Expert Panel.

Summary: The agenda includes methodology requirements for Article 6 mechanism, such as relating to setting the baseline, suppressed demand, additionality demonstration, addressing leakage, large-scale crediting programmes and addressing non permanence/reversals. Also, the panel will discuss the revision of Clean Development Mechanism methodologies and methodological tools for grid connected electricity generation from renewable sources, waste management sector, and clean cooking.

Related Links: event page and agenda.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 2nd meeting of the Accreditation Expert Panel.

Date: September 19th, 2024.

Involved Body: Accreditation Expert Panel.

Summary: As of the date of this bulletin, the agenda for the event had not yet been released.

Related Links: event page.

Loss and Damage

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 2nd meeting of all thematic expert groups of the WIM Executive Committee.

Date: September 9th-10th, 2024.

Involved Body: Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage.

Summary: The second all-expert groups meeting aims to: discuss needs and opportunities to enhance the collection and management of data and information related to averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage for countries to prepare Biennial Transparency Reports (BTRs) under the Paris Agreement Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF); explore ways to synergize expertise available through the five expert groups, technical expert group and task force (thematic expert groups) of the WIM Executive Committee (WIM ExCom). The thematic expert groups are: (i) Slow Onset Events Expert Group; (ii) Non-Economic Losses Expert Group; (iii) Technical Expert Group on Comprehensive Risk Management; (iv) Task Force on Displacement; and (v)Action and Support Expert Group. They will discuss voluntary guidelines, plans of action, and coherence and complementarity.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 21st meeting of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage.

Date: September 11th-13th, 2024.

Involved Body: Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage (WIM ExCom).

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes: (i) preparation of voluntary guidelines for enhancing collection and management of data and information to inform the preparation of biennial transparency reports; (ii) how the latest climate science can inform policy-making relevant to averting, minimizing, and addressing loss and damage; (iii) collaboration with the entities that form the funding arrangements; and (iv) recommendations to be included in the 2024 WIM ExCom annual report. Also, the topics of the strategic workstream will be discussed, that is: slow onset events, non-economic losses, comprehensive risk management approaches, human mobility, and action and support.

Related Links: event page.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: Third meeting of the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage.

Date: September 18th-20th, 2024.

Involved Body: Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage.

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes procedure matters (administrative budget, selection of executive director for the Fund and additional rules of procedure), matters relating to the operationalization of the Fund as a World Bank-hosted financial intermediary fund, report of the board to COP29, and arrangements for establishing and operationalizing the annual high-level dialogue.

Related Links: event page.

Technology

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 29th meeting of the Technology Executive Committee.

Date: September 17th-20th, 2024.

Involved Body: Technology Executive Committee (TEC).

Summary: The agenda of the meeting includes updates from SB60, outlook for COP 29, implementation of the workplan, the annual report 2024 of Technology Executive Committee and the joint session of the Technology Executive Committee and the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN).

Related Links: event page and agenda.

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 24th meeting of the Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network.

Date: September 20th-25th, 2024.

Involved Body: Advisory Board of the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN).

Summary: As of the date of this bulletin, the agenda for the event had not yet been released.

Related Links: event page.

Transparency

Event Type: Meeting.

Subject: 2nd meeting of the Consultative Group of Experts.

Date: September 17th-19th, 2024.

Involved Body: Consultative Group of Experts (CGE).

Summary: As of the date of this bulletin, the agenda for the event had not yet been released.

Related Links: event page.

Call for submissions:

Call for active submissions

Active calls for submissions, meaning those without a defined deadline or with an expired deadline, but which received submissions in the last month.

Issue	Call	Deadline	Submissions last month
Action on Climate Empowerment	Information on ACE implementation at all levels for inclusion in the annual summary report on progress in implementing activities under the Glasgow work programme	N/A	Austrália (26/08) Ecuador (21/08) USA (21/08)
Adaptation Global Goal on Adaptation UAE-Belem Work programme on Indicators UAE Framework for Global Climate Resilience	Information on existing indicators for measuring progress towards the targets referred to in paragraphs 9–10 of decision 2/CMA.5 in use at the local, national, regional and global level, including, if available, information on associated methodologies and data readiness for such indicators, as well as identified gaps and areas for which the development of new indicators may be needed	July 30 th	Panama (28/08) AILAC (27/08) Arab Group (18/08) LDC (15/08) Canada (13/08) Pakistan (12/08) UK (06/08) USA (02/08) ILO (06/08) CBD (01/08) UN DESA (01/08)
Climate Finance New collective quantified goal on climate finance	Views in advance of each technical expert dialogue and meeting under the ad hoc work programme	August 5 th	AlLAC (23/08) Russia (15/08) European Union (13/08) Kenya (12/08) Group SUR (06/08) LMDC (06/08) LDC (05/08) Pakistan (04/08) CGIAR (05/08)
Climate Finance Guidance to the Green Climate Fund (GCF)	Views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Green Climate Fund (GCF)	August 18 th	Canada (26/08) AILAC (23/08) Australia (19/08) European Union (12/08)
Climate Finance	Views and recommendations on elements of guidance for the Global Environment Facility	August 18 th	Canada (26/08) AILAC (23/08)

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Guidance to the Global Environment Facility (GEF)			Australia (19/08) European Union (12/08)
General High-Level Champions and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action	Feedback to the High-Level Champions on how to enhance their work and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action to accelerate climate action and drive implementation	July 30 th	Morocco (29/08) AILAC (08/08) UAE (02/08)
General Statements made at SBSTA 60/SBI 60	Joint opening plenary to hear statements at SBSTA 60/SBI 60	N/A	<u>Japan</u> (23/08)
General Earth Information Day 2024 - Research and Systematic Observation	he SBSTA invited Parties and relevant organizations to submit views on possible themes for and ways to organize Earth Information Day 2024, to be held in conjunction with SBSTA 61	August 30 th	Maldives (29/08) Japan (28/08) Indonesia (22/08) European Union (13/08) WMO (30/08) UNDRR (30/08)
Just Transition United Arab Emirates Just Transition Work Programme - views relevant to the topics of the dialogues	Opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges, and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues	N/A	Australia (19/08)
Response Measures Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement	Views on possible topics for the global dialogues on the impacts of the implementation of response measures in 2024	July 14 th	<u>G77 + China</u> (02/08)

Open deadlines of call for submissions

Issue	Call	Deadline	Submissions last month
Adaptation Global Goal on Adaptation	Views on matters related to paragraph 38 of decision 2/CMA.5	September 29 th	None
Adaptation Global Goal on Adaptation	Views on matters relating to the UAE – Belém work programme on indicators for measuring progress achieved towards the targets of the framework, with a view to identifying and as needed, developing indicators and potential quantified elements for those targets; and Modalities of the UAE – Belém work programme, including organization of work, timelines, inputs, outputs, and involvement of stakeholders	December 30 th	None
Agriculture Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security	For each workshop, views on the subject of that workshop, options for its format and suggested speakers by the deadline	December 30 th	None
Agriculture Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security	Views on the workshop regarding systemic and holistic approaches to implementation of climate action on agriculture, food systems and food security, understanding, cooperation and integration into plans	February 28 th , 2025	None
Agriculture Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security	Views on the workshop regarding progress, challenges and opportunities related to identifying needs and accessing means of implementation for climate action in agriculture and food security, including sharing of best practices	March 1 st , 2026	None
Global Stocktake	Views on the modalities of the United Arab Emirates dialogue for implementation of the outcomes of Global Stocktake	September 14 th , 2024	None

Modalities of the United Arab Emirates dialogue for implementation of the outcomes of Global Stocktake			
General Research and Systematic Observation	Views on possible themes for the seventeenth meeting of the research dialogue, to be held in conjunction with SBSTA 62	March 14 th , 2025	None
Response measures			
Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement	Views on possible topics for the global dialogues on the impacts of the implementation of response measures in 2025	July 14 th , 2025	None
Carbon Market Glasgow Committee on Non-Market Approaches – Article 6, paragraph, 8 of the Paris Agreement	Views and information on the progress and outcomes of the first phase of implementing the work programme activities referred to in paragraph 8 of the annex to decision 4/CMA.3, and views on improving and recommending the schedule for implementing the work programme activities for the second phase	August 30 th	None
Loss and Damage Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts	Contributions to the review of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with the impacts of climate change, including strengths, weaknesses, gaps, challenges, and opportunities for improvement, the use and utility of the mechanism's outcomes, the implementation of its functions, and other contributions to promote the implementation of approaches to avert and minimize climate-related loss and damage	September 29 th	None
Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Share specific practices and stories related to	Sharing of practices and stories pertaining to the development and use of curricula and materials generated by Indigenous Peoples. Submissions of relevant practices and stories should be in the context of climate change and highlight Indigenous	October 30 th , 2024	None

the development and use of indigenous curricula and materials in formal and informal education systems, in the context of climate change	knowledge in formal and informal education systems. This includes providing guidelines for the ethical and equitable utilization of these resources		
Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Sharing of relevant practices and stories on enhancing rights-based engagement of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in national climate policymaking, as part of implementing the LCIPP workplan for 2022-2024.	Sharing of relevant practices and stories on enhancing rights-based engagement of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in national climate policymaking, with an emphasis on the involvement of Indigenous women and youth, as well as women and youth from local communities, in line with rights-based international safeguards and the cultural protocols of Indigenous Peoples	October 30 th	None
Transparency Experience and challenges related to implementing Article 13 of the Paris Agreement as part of the set of activities set out in decision 18/CMA.5	Information on their experience and challenges related to implementing Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, including in relation to establishing or enhancing their institutional capacity and national reporting	March 30 th , 2025	None

Glossary

Paris Agreement: An international climate change treaty signed in 2015 and in effect since 2016. It is an implementation treaty linked to the UNFCCC.

AILAC: Independent Association of Latin America and the Caribbean. A group of countries.

AOSIS: Alliance of Small Island States. A group formed by small island countries.

CMA: Conference of the Parties to the Paris Agreement. The annual meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement to make implementation decisions for the treaty.

COP: Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC. The annual meeting of the Parties to the UNFCCC to make implementation decisions for the treaty.

EIG: Environmental Integrity Group. A group of countries.

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

G77 + China: Coalition of developing countries.

LDC: Least Developed Countries. A group formed by the least developed countries.

LMDC: Like-Minded Group of Developing Countries. A group formed by developing countries with similar views.

NDC: Nationally Determined Contribution, an individual document presented by the Parties to the Paris Agreement that contains the Party's contribution to preventing the Earth's temperature from rising more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and achieving the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

Party(ies): Member country(ies) of the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.

PCCB: Paris Committee on Capacity-Building.

SBI: Subsidiary Body for Implementation.

SBSTA: Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice.

Stakeholders: State or non-state actors, public or private entities, accredited or not as "observers" of the UNFCCC system, who have an interest in the negotiated topics.

Submission: A document in which an interested party presents their view on a specific discussion point in the negotiations, which may contain technical and scientific contributions, recommendations, and concrete proposals on how that discussion point should be addressed and resolved among the Parties in the negotiation.

SUR: A group of countries composed of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay.

UNFCCC: United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, or "Climate Convention," an international treaty signed in 1992, of which the Paris Agreement is a part.

Find out more about the Paris Agreement and COP 28

The 2015 Paris Agreement is an almost universally adopted international treaty with 193 member countries. It is linked to the UNFCCC, an overarching international treaty system that provides broader principles, guidelines, and policies for the global community to cooperatively address the climate crisis. One of the main goals of the Agreement is to prevent the global temperature from rising above 1.5°C or to keep it well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels—a threshold that science has shown to be a "point of no return" with devastating effects on life on Earth. Additionally, the Paris Agreement aims to make countries resilient to climate change and to decarbonize financial flows.

To learn more about the Paris Agreement and understand the main negotiation topics, read our publication on the results of COP 28: "Summary of COP28 outcomes: a guide to the main decisions taken in Dubai".

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