

Bulletin #26 (English #5) - December/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 29".

Happy reading!

Paris Agreement Observatory Team

#### This edition:

In **November** we had updates on all themes at the Conference of the Parties.

In **December** the program includes events regarding the themes of:

Loss and Damage and Transparency.

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

Action for Climate Empowerment, Adaptation, Agriculture, Carbon Markets, Climate Finance, Loss and Damage, Response Measures, and Transparency.

In November, the Brazilian government presented a statement on the topic of unilateral restrictive trade measures related to climate change and the global stocktake.

Check it out below!

# **Happened in November:**

#### **General**

**Event Type:** Session of the Subsidiary Bodies and Conference of Parties.

**Subject:** Sixty-first Session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), Twenty-ninth session of the Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC (COP 29), the Sixth session of the Conference of the Parties of the Portice of the Parties of the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 19).

**Date:** November 11<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

Involved Body: UNFCCC Secretariat, SBI, SBSTA, COP e CMA.

**Summary:** Baku held the Climate Change Conference, including the SBI 61, SBSTA 61, COP 29, CMP 19 and CMA 6. The main outcomes are summarized in the publication <u>Summary of COP 29</u>.

As of the date of this bulletin, official versions of the decisions had not yet been released.

Related Links: Baku Conference page.

## **Loss and Damage**

Event Type: Meeting.

**Subject:** 4th meeting of the Board of the Fund for responding to Loss and Damage.

Date: December 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

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

**Summary**: The agenda of the meeting includes reports of the co-chairs, establishment of a new dedicated secretariat of the Fund, additional rules of procedure of the Board, and participation of observers. Documents to be discussed include <u>report of the third meeting</u> and <u>rules of procedure</u>.

Related Links: event page and agenda.

### **Transparency**

**Event Type**: Deadline.

**Subject:** First Biennial Transparency Reports.

Date: December 31st, 2024.

Involved Body: UNFCCC Seretariat.

**Summary**: Parties to the Paris Agreement shall submit their first Biennial Transparency Report (BTR) and National Inventory Report (NIR), in accordance with the modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs), at the latest by 31 December 2024.

Related Links: reports 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 for 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	<u>Sudan</u> (12/11)

Adaptation Global Goal on	Views on matters related to paragraph 38 of decision 2/CMA.5	September 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	Arab Group (07/11)
Adaptation	of decision 2/ civiA.3	23 , 2024	(07/11)
Carbon Markets  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 30th, 2024	Bolivia (12/11) AOSIS (07/11)
General Voluntary submissions	Voluntary submissions COP 29 / CMP 19 / CMA 6 / SBSTA 61 / SBI 61	N/A	EU ( <u>11/11</u> and <u>15/11</u> ) BASIC (05/11)
General  Joint opening plenary statements	Statements made at COP 29/CMP 19/CMA 6/SBSTA 61/SBI 61 joint opening plenary	N/A	AILAC (26/11) Pakistan (22/11) Kyrgyzstan (22/11) European Union (18/11) Cuba (17/11) Group SUR (15/11) Umbrella Group (15/11) Venezuela (15/11) Honduras (15/11) Tanzania (15/11) Arab Group (14/11) African Group (14/11) African Group (14/11) LMDC (14/11) AILAC (14/11) BASIC (14/11) EU (14/11) LDC (13/11)

General  Joint closing plenary statements	Statements made at COP 29/CMP 19/CMA 6/SBSTA 61/SBI 61 joint closing plenary	N/A	AILAC (26/11) Indonesia (24/11)
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 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	AOSIS (08/11)
Just Transition  United Arab Emirates just transition work programme – views relevant to the topics of the dialogues	Views of Parties, observers, and other non-Party stakeholders on opportunities, best practices, actionable solutions, challenges, and barriers relevant to the topics of the dialogues	N/A	G77+China (12/11) LMDC (12/11)

# **Open deadlines of call for submissions**

Issue	Call	Deadline	Submissions last month
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 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	None
Agriculture	Views on the workshop regarding systemic and holistic approaches to implementation	February 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	None
Sharm el-Sheikh joint	of climate	(SB 62)	

work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security	action on agriculture, food systems and food security, understanding, cooperation and integration into plans	February 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 (SB 64)	
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 <sup>st</sup> , 2026	None
Agriculture			
2025 Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance on accelerating climate action and resilience through financing sustainable food systems and agriculture	Input on its 2025 Forum on accelerating climate action and resilience through financing for sustainable food systems and agriculture. The Forum will be held from 8 to 9 September 2025.	January 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	None
Biennial communications on indicative quantitative and qualitative information on projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country	Developed country Parties to submit the biennial communications of indicative quantitative and qualitative information, as applicable, including, as available, on projected levels of public financial resources to be provided to developing country Parties, starting in 2020. Other Parties providing resources are encouraged to communicate biennially such information on a voluntary basis.	December 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	None
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 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	None
Response measures  Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures	Views on possible topics for the global dialogues on the impacts of the implementation of response measures in 2025	July 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	None

serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement			
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 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	None

# **Submissions by Brazil in November:**

#### **General**

**Body to which the submission was submitted:** Presidency of SBI/SBSTA/COP29/CMP19/CMA6.

Subject: inclusion of agenda item.

Date: 06.11.2024.

Political block: BASIC Group.

**Summary**: Request for inclusion of the agenda item in the provisional agenda of in the SBI/SBSTA/COP29/CMP19/CMA6 negotiations "concerns with climate-change related unilateral restrictive trade measures, and identifying the ways to promote international cooperation in line with the First GST Outcome".

Link: Submission.

## **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.

**BASIC.** Group of countries composed by Brazil, China, India and South Africa.

**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.

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

**IMO**: International Maritime Organization

**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". To learn more about the about the outcomes of COP 29, reach out to our "Summary of COP 29"

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