



# COP28 UAE

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## **COP28 President unveils COP28, COP29 and COP30 Troika Vision to ensure Parties deliver ambitious climate plans which keep 1.5°C within reach**

- Speaking in Copenhagen, at the first climate ministerial since COP28, hosts of COP28, COP29 and COP30 unveil vision to help ensure the next crucial round of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) are 1.5°C aligned.
- The first of its kind COP Presidencies' Troika was agreed in the historic UAE Consensus and will work closely to drive climate ambition between COP28, COP29 and COP30.
- The Troika issued a letter to all 198 UNFCCC Parties, advocating “strongly for early submissions of high ambition NDCs, that decisively take forward the UAE Consensus.”
- The letter also includes a commitment from the three Presidencies' host countries to submit their own 1.5°C-aligned NDCs, guided by the UAE Consensus, by early 2025.
- NDCs should be economy-wide, cover all greenhouse gases – including methane - and include policies which deliver emission reductions of 60 percent compared to 2019 levels, before 2035, he said.
- Dr. Al Jaber urged parties to “follow the science” and ensure energy transition pathways are “just, orderly and responsible” at a panel with COP29 President-Designate Mukhtar Babayev and André Corrêado Lago, Secretary for Climate, Energy and Environment for COP30 host Brazil.
- COP28 President Dr. Sultan Al Jaber encouraged Parties to “follow this unprecedented agreement with unprecedented action” across the climate agenda, from mitigation to adaptation to finance. This should be underscored with “urgency”, “determination” and “full inclusivity”.
- Dr. Al Jaber highlighted that “the UAE Consensus was a victory for multilateralism” and “proof of the power of inclusivity”, which “showed that positivity and solidarity can overcome pessimism and polarization”.
- “An agreement is only as good as its implementation” he highlighted.
- All sectors must harness the potential for climate action to “stimulate new industries, leverage new technologies, including the transformative power of AI, create new jobs and drive sustainable growth”, while being pragmatic about the costs and trade-offs involved, Dr. Al Jaber said.

**Copenhagen, 21 March 2024:** COP28 President Dr. Sultan Al Jaber today addressed global climate leaders and ministers at the opening session of the Copenhagen Climate Ministerial. Addressing climate ministers and leaders, Dr. Al Jaber highlighted the role the COP



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Presidencies Troika will play in driving ambition in the next round of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).

The first of its kind COP Presidencies' Troika was agreed in the historic UAE Consensus and aims to enhance continuity between COP 28, COP29 and COP30 and drive implementation of the UAE Consensus.

In a segment titled 'Presenting the Troika Vision,' Dr. Al Jaber was joined by COP29 President-Designate Mukhtar Babayev and André Corrêado Lago, Secretary for Climate, Energy and Environment for COP30 host Brazil.

"This Troika will help to ensure that the next crucial round of Nationally Determined Contributions are in line with keeping our collective North Star of 1.5°C within reach," Dr. Al Jaber told delegates.

The UAE Consensus was a victory for multilateralism and proof of the power of inclusivity. It showed that positivity and solidarity can overcome pessimism and polarization," Dr. Al Jaber told the assembled climate leaders. "Countries set aside self-interest for the common good and united around the common goal of keeping 1.5°C within reach."

The next round of NDCs represent "a critical tool for correcting course" on climate action, Dr. Al Jaber said. "Parties must do the work now to ensure that their NDCs meet the urgency of the moment – and are submitted at least nine months before COP30."

NDCs should be economy-wide and cover all greenhouse gases – including methane – he said, adding that countries should put policies in place to deliver emission reductions of 60 percent compared to 2019 levels, before 2035. The COP28 President called for attendees to "follow the science" and ensure energy transition pathways are "just, orderly and responsible".

Ahead of the meeting, the COP Presidencies Troika issued a letter to Parties, highlighting their commitment to "advocate strongly for early submissions of high ambition NDCs that decisively take forward the UAE Consensus." The letter also commits the three Presidencies' host countries to submit 1.5°C aligned NDCs, guided by the UAE Consensus, by early 2025.

The Troika has also submitted a letter to United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres to "ensure there is a unified, coherent, and effective technical support framework to member states, particularly developing countries, to prepare and implement the next generation of their NDCs."

Dr. Al Jaber added, "At COP28 collectively, we changed the mindset that views climate action as a burden to one that sees it as an opportunity to stimulate new industries, leverage new technologies, including the transformative power of AI, create new jobs and drive sustainable growth."



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In his remarks, Dr Al Jaber emphasized the need to make efforts across the climate agenda, “Efforts to reduce emissions must be matched by equally strong action on adaptation”. Parties should design comprehensive National Adaptation Plans that cover food systems, water security, nature and health, are focused on peoples’ lives and livelihoods and “critically, they must be well funded,” he added.

“Finance is the key enabler to all climate progress and essential to rebuilding trust, especially with the Global South,” the COP28 President stated. COP28 “delivered a trust-building breakthrough on Loss and Damage, by creating the Fund and mobilizing initial contributions,” he said, calling on all Parties who can to make “a substantial contribution” to the Fund.

“COP28 advanced the conversation around a comprehensive redesign of the international financial system to align finance flows with climate goals,” Dr. Al Jaber said. “We now need to move from conversation to implementation. Climate finance must be made more available, accessible and affordable at every level.”

The COP28 President issued an open invitation to all Parties to attend the UAE Climate Finance Forum in Abu Dhabi in June, which will work towards realizing “a climate finance architecture that unlocks the trillions needed for transformational green growth,” he said.

The Copenhagen Climate Ministerial is taking place today and tomorrow in the Danish capital. During the Ministerial, Dr. Al Jaber will also meet with His Majesty, Frederik X, King of Denmark.

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Notes to Editors COP28 UAE:

- At the historic COP28, countries came together to deliver the UAE Consensus - the most ambitious and comprehensive set of negotiated outcomes to come out of the UNFCCC process since COP21.
- The UAE Consensus includes an unprecedented reference to transitioning away from all fossil fuels in energy systems, in a just, orderly and equitable manner in this critical decade to enable the world to reach net zero emissions by 2050, in keeping with the science.
- An important opportunity lies in working multilaterally on commitments to deliver high-ambition decisions at COP28, including through the UAE Consensus. This can lead to real economy action for 2030 and help with setting of interim targets that strengthen the NDCs in 2025 in the lead-up to COP30.