BECOMING AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER
OF THE NDC PARTNERSHIP
In 2015, the world endorsed the bold 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the landmark Paris Agreement to address climate change. Now, as each country implements and advances its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris accord, new approaches and promising practices must be identified to realize significant and lasting climate action.

**NDC PARTNERSHIP: WORKING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE AMBITIOUS CLIMATE ACTION**

Launched at COP22 in Marrakesh, the NDC Partnership aims to enhance cooperation so that countries have access to the technical knowledge and financial support they need to achieve large-scale climate and sustainable development targets as quickly and effectively as possible. The NDC Partnership builds in-country capacity and increases knowledge sharing so that climate policies have meaningful and enduring impacts, and drive increasing global ambition over time.

**ABOUT**

The NDC Partnership is a global coalition of countries and institutions working together to mobilize support to achieve ambitious climate goals and enhance sustainable development. The NDC Partnership enhances cooperation and coordination amongst its members to ensure that countries can access the support needed to achieve their goals as quickly and effectively as possible and benefit from the experiences of others.

**OUR WORK**

The NDC Partnership provides coordinated assistance to countries to effectively develop and implement robust climate and sustainable development plans. In country, the NDC Partnership works with ministries responsible for climate action, as well as those leading national economic and development planning to leverage the skills and resources of multiple partners towards the government’s objectives.

Drawing on the experiences of its country-level work, the Partnership also shares knowledge and experiences across countries to enable countries to develop strategies with enduring impacts and support increasing global ambition over time.

**MEMBERSHIP**

The Partnership includes countries spanning the five regions of the world and a range of major international institutions. It is guided by a Steering Committee comprised of Country Members (developed and developing nations) and Institutional Members, and co-chaired by the Governments of Germany and Morocco. Its work is facilitated by a Support Unit, stationed at World Resources Institute in Washington and at the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Bonn, Germany.

The NDC Partnership is voluntary and open to governments and institutions committed to implementing NDCs under the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). By joining, members undertake a shared commitment to work together towards the success of the Paris Agreement both through their actions at home and through their engagement with other countries.

Recognizing that non-state actors (NSAs) are essential partners to governments, the NDC Partnership invites NSAs to join as Associate Members and participate in aspects of its work.
NON-STATE ACTORS AND THE NDC PARTNERSHIP

WHY JOIN
Associate Members of the NDC Partnership enjoy:

• Access to knowledge products and tools shared within the Partnership and opportunities to contribute to new products under the Partnership;
• Regular updates about the NDC Partnership's activities and opportunities to engage in global, regional, and country-level activities; and
• Access to information on needs and requests emerging from Country Members for assistance.

HOW TO JOIN
The Partnership welcomes non-state actors who:

• Exist as an independently registered legal entity;
• Have a mission to pursue climate action and support a broader transition towards sustainable development; and
• Currently support NDC Partnership Member Countries in climate action and development activities.

To become an Associate Member, interested non-state actors are invited to submit a letter of interest to the NDC Partnership that briefly:

• Expresses support for the Partnership's Guiding Principles;
• References the Member Countries of the NDC Partnership in which the organization is currently active; and
• Expresses how the organization hopes to contribute to the work of the Partnership.

Potential Associate Members are also requested to forward a statement of support for their membership from one current NDC Partnership Member Country.

Applications are approved by the NDC Partnership's Steering Committee for annual terms that are renewed each calendar year.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER
Associate Members are expected to:

• Strive to apply the guiding principles of the NDC Partnership and its objectives into their work;
• Contribute periodically to peer review processes;
• Share knowledge and information with the NDC Partnership and strive to coordinate efforts with others in the Partnership; and
• Coordinate their own efforts with Partnership Plans in countries where such plans exist and overlap with the Associate Member's own program of work.

To facilitate communication, Associate Members are requested to nominate a Focal Point for their organization who can serve as the primary senior contact point of engagement with the NDC Partnership.

WHO TO CONTACT
The NDC Partnership is eager to incorporate the wealth of knowledge, resources, and expertise that non-state actors can provide to its efforts to advance global climate goals. To submit the application for Associate Member, please contact supportunit@ndcpartnership.org
PARTNERS

The Partnership is open to all countries and international institutions that are committed to ambitious NDC implementation. For a complete list of our membership, please visit ndcpartnership.org/partners