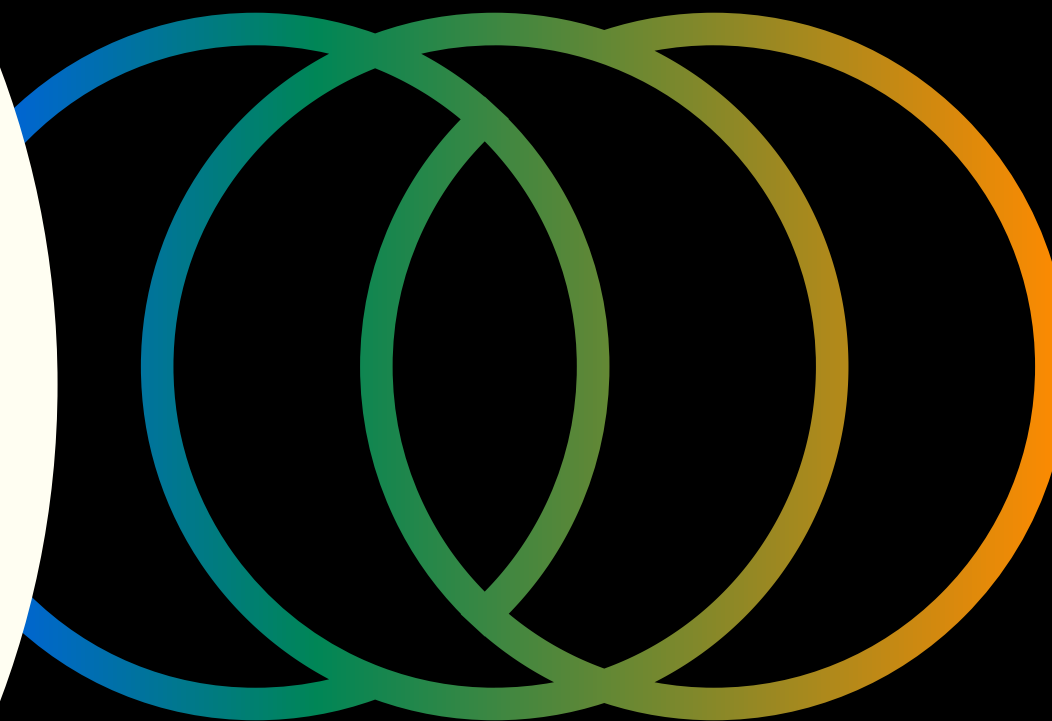


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COP30 SUMMARY BRIEF

ON INITIATIVES
AND PROGRAMMES
SUPPORTING SYNERGISTIC
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
RIO CONVENTIONS



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INTRODUCTION

Overview

With 2025 marking five years towards 2030 goals across the Paris Agreement, the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the Land Degradation Neutrality goal of the UNCCD, and the Sustainable Development Goals, COP30 in Belém stands as a pivotal moment for reaffirming shared commitments and urgently scaling action. Synergistic implementation action across the three Rio Conventions on climate change (UNFCCC), biodiversity loss (CBD) and sustainable land management (UNCCD) in the context of sustainable development enhances efficiency, builds policy coherence and unlocks co-benefits across various sectors, including forestry, agriculture, water, and health. Integrated implementation strengthens resilience by connecting ecosystems, empowering communities, and promoting inclusive governance. It facilitates resource mobilization to develop and implement integrated targets across nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and national adaptation plans (NAPs), national biodiversity strategy and action plans (NBSAPs), and land degradation neutrality targets (LDNs).

Following the adoption of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in 2022 and the UNFCCC COP28 in 2023, calls for synergetic action across Rio Conventions have experienced a new wave of support among a wide diversity of stakeholders across governments, UN agencies, multilateral development banks, civil society and the private sector. This growing momentum recognizing the benefit and imperative of

taking integrated approaches is increasingly reflected among the multilateral processes, through the emergence of voluntary initiatives, and increased programmes of collaboration and support.

This summary brief provides a comprehensive though non-exhaustive overview of the initiatives, programmes, and support mechanisms currently advancing synergistic implementation of the three Rio Conventions at the global level. It has been prepared under the [Synergies Collaboration Platform \(SCP\)](#), a multistakeholder platform to promote collaboration and coordination for scaling efficient and effective synergistic implementation across the Rio Conventions. This brief specifically serves to complement the [‘Plan to Accelerate Solution’ on synergistic implementation of the Rio Conventions](#) launched under the COP30 Action Agenda, which provides a collective roadmap of collective action to scale synergistic action towards the second Global Stocktake of the Paris Agreement taking place in 2028. It also complements the global stakeholder dialogue on Rio Conventions synergies hosted by UNEP in advance of COP30, and aims to contribute to the ongoing efforts of the [Rio Conventions Joint Capacity Building Programme](#).

The structure of the brief follows a thematic and functional organization, beginning with sections on support within multilateral fora and presidency-led initiatives, which outline

political commitments, capacity-building efforts, and joint declarations fostering coherence between the Conventions. Subsequent sections examine international implementation and capacity-building initiatives and support, including UNDP, GIZ/IKI, GEF, and IISD-supported mechanisms, which provide technical and financial support for countries seeking to align their national strategies. The document also presents data tools and knowledge platforms that enhance transparency and coordination—such as DaRT, Rio Policy Radar, and NatureBase—followed by sector-specific international cooperation initiatives in key areas like oceans, forests, and finance. The final section compiles a brief selection of country-level case studies, showcasing best practices and lessons learned from domestic experiences in integrated planning and delivery.

Serving as both a reference and practical guide, this brief is designed for negotiators, policymakers, implementing agencies, and development partners engaged in strengthening synergistic implementation across the Rio Conventions. By mapping the diverse ecosystem of initiatives and tools, it aims to support informed dialogue and collaboration following COP30 and into the triple Rio COP year of 2026—helping stakeholders identify alignment opportunities, build on existing mechanisms, and mobilize collective action for a nature-positive, climate-resilient, and degradation-neutral future.

SUPPORT WITHIN MULTILATERAL FORA

Collaborative efforts and initiatives providing support among various international organizations, conventions, and agreements to strengthen synergetic action on the Rio Conventions and broader synergies across multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs).



SUPPORT WITHIN MULTILATERAL FORA

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Functions
Standing Rio Conventions decisions and Joint Liaison Group	UNFCCC, CBD, UNCCD	A diversity of decisions across each Rio Convention exist to promote alignment and guidance among different bodies on relevant topics such as monitoring and review indicators, or sectors such as AFOLU and forests. For a summary list of relevant COP decisions, refer here . The Rio Conventions Joint Liaison Group was also established in 2001 to help strengthen collaboration between the secretariats in acting upon decisions calling for strong synergistic implementation, coordination and coherence at the convention-level.	- High level mandate, - Policy planning, - Goal setting, - Specific strategies/ Planning documents, - Financing and evaluation
Rio Conventions Joint Capacity Building Programme (JCBP)	Joint Liaison Group (UNFCCC, CBD, UNCCD)	The JCBP was launched by the Rio Conventions Joint Liaison Group (JLG) in 2024, hosting webinars and workshops at different COP-related fora to assist in enhancing capacities for synergetic implementation, covering planning processes, integrated financing, and synergies within monitoring, reviewing and reporting. The Rio Conventions secretariats, who initiated the JCBP, have also recently published a revamped website on synergies across the Rio Conventions, providing more information on the JLG, synergies-related COP decisions and related mandates, case studies and resources.	- Capacity-building, - Knowledge dissemination
UNEA resolutions 6/4 and 6/6 on synergies for national implementation and collaboration between UNEP, UNEA and the MEAs	UNEP	UNEA-6 resolutions 6/4 and 6/6 support synergetic national implementation and compilation of good practices, tools, success stories and lessons learned highlighting cooperation and collaboration in multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs) implementation. UNEP has advanced implementation of the resolutions by compiling case studies, providing country level capacity building, and promoting collaboration for synergetic reporting. UNEA-7 will address MEA cooperation through an agenda item and an “MEAs Day” .	- Campaigning, - Capacity-building, - Commitment, - Knowledge dissemination, - Knowledge production

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The Bern Process	UNEP	An informal Party-led process established in 2019 and recognized through several resolutions and decisions by multilateral environmental agreement (MEA) governing bodies, organized by UNEP in close collaboration with the Secretariat of the CBD, the Government of Switzerland, and other partners. It aims to strengthen cooperation and synergies among the Parties, the MEA Secretariats (16 MEAs, including the Rio Conventions, the biodiversity-related conventions and the chemicals and waste conventions), and relevant stakeholders, to support the effective implementation of the KMGBF. As part of this process, several workshops and the Bern III Conference have been convened by UNEP. The expert workshop , organized in August 2025 in Switzerland, focused on supporting the participation of MEAs in the global review of collective progress for the implementation of the KMGBF.	— Campaigning, — Knowledge production, — Knowledge dissemination
Climate & SDG synergies initiative	UNDESA UNFCCC	A UNDESA and UNFCCC partnership established in 2019 to advance synergistic implementation of the SDGs with the Paris Agreement goals. The initiative convenes an independent Expert Group on Climate and SDG Synergies with the aim of deepening the evidence-base with regular global and thematic reports on Climate and SDGs synergies. The initiative also aims to inject lessons learned and experiences from the ground in relevant intergovernmental fora to elevate the importance of synergies politically. It also features an annual multi-stakeholder conference as a dedicated platform for policy makers and practitioners to discuss and advance synergies. The annual conference is typically hosted by governments who have demonstrated commitment to pursuing synergistic solutions to address the interconnected crises of climate change, nature, and development. The latest in series was the 6th Global Conference on Climate and SDG synergies hosted by the Government of Denmark in May 2025.	— Campaigning, — Knowledge production, — Knowledge dissemination
UN Convention on Migratory Species Energy Task Force	CMS UNEP BirdLife International	A primary UN body on the nature and energy nexus founded in 2016, with 20+ government members, 15+ intergovernmental organizations and multilateral development banks, and various non-state actors. The task force is chaired by the Government of Brazil, with Asian Development Bank as the vice chair, and coordinated by BirdLife International on behalf of the UNEP/CMS secretariat.	— Capacity building, — Knowledge dissemination, — Fund raising and distribution, — Policy planning

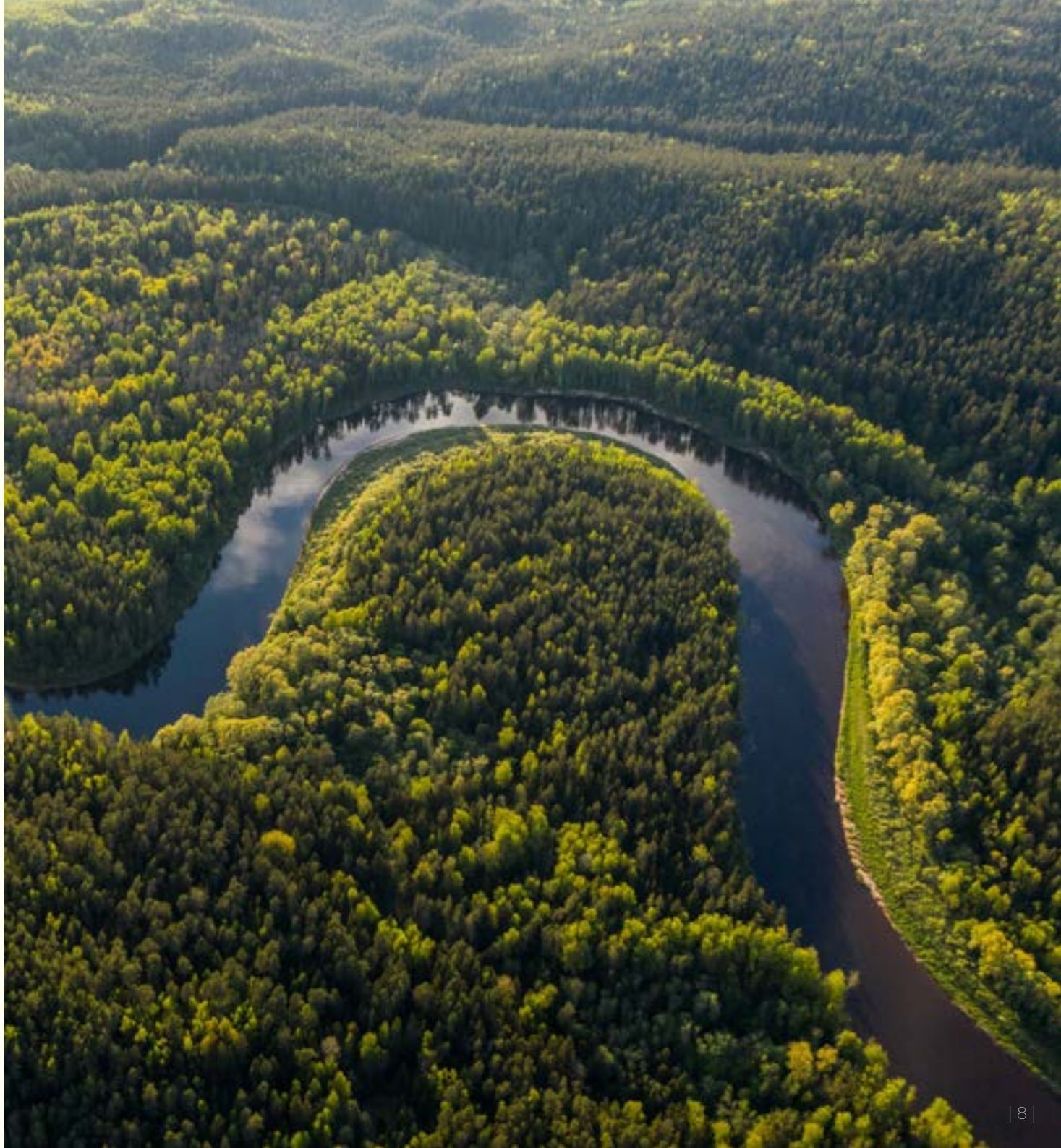
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Ramsar Convention on Wetlands resolution XV.4 on advancing synergies with other multilateral environmental agreements	Ramsar Convention	Convention on Wetlands Resolution XV.4 recognises the relevance of wetlands to achieving multiple global goals and supports collaboration with other multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs), UN bodies and other international organisations to improve synergies, share resources, avoid duplication, and enhance implementation. This is supported by the Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP) which: provides technical guidance on realising synergies with other MEAs; supports countries to apply effective approaches for wetland conservation, restoration and wise use including in relation to climate, biodiversity and other goals; and facilitates aligned reporting mechanisms of various international frameworks, including the GGA, SDGs and KM-GBF.	● Capacity building, ● Commitment, ● Knowledge production, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Technical implementation, ● Policy planning

PRESIDENCY INITIATIVES

Projects and declarations spearheaded by the presidencies of different Rio Convention COPs for synergistic action between the Rio Conventions.



PRESIDENCY INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
COP28 Joint Statement on Climate, Nature and People	China UAE	Political declaration of five Rio Convention Presidencies (UNFCCC COP28 UAE, CBD COP15 China, UNCCD COP15 Côte d'Ivoire, CBD COP16 Colombia and UNFCCC COP30 Brazil) and 20 countries representing 13 country-led partnerships and initiatives recognizing the need to implement the Paris Agreement and Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework in an integrated way. Commitments include alignment and coherence in new national climate, biodiversity and land degradation plans, synergistic mobilization of finance, fostering interoperability for data, monitoring, reporting mechanisms, and whole-of-society collaboration.	● High level mandate	● Commitment, ● Policy advocacy, ● Knowledge dissemination
Rio Trio	Azerbaijan Colombia Saudi Arabia	Trilateral declaration by the Presidencies of UNFCCC COP29 (Azerbaijan), CBD COP16 (Colombia) and UNCCD COP16 (Saudi Arabia) for 2024 COPs to coordinate action by providing a platform for collaboration.	● High level mandate	● Campaigning, ● Commitment, ● Knowledge dissemination
ENACT	Egypt Germany Secretariat: IUCN	The ENACT Partnership (“Enhancing Nature-based Solutions for an Accelerated Climate Transformation”) was launched by the COP27 Presidency in partnership with Germany and IUCN, which hosts its secretariat. ENACT provides a hub for parties and non-state actors across the RIO conventions to collaborate on accelerating NbS to synergetically address climate change, land and ecosystem degradation and biodiversity loss.	● Implementation: Policies and activities	● Knowledge production, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Policy advocacy

PRESIDENCY INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
UNFCCC Global Climate Action Agenda and the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action	Climate High Level Champions (Presidencies) Support: UNFCCC Climate Champions Team	The Global Climate Action Agenda vision for 2026–2030 aims to unlock new strategies for accelerating implementation of climate action under one unified Agenda that is guided by the goals of Paris Agreement and the outcomes of the Global Stocktake, strengthening the impact of voluntary climate action through regular progress tracking. This enabling architecture charts a course for the decisive years ahead, focused on scaling solutions and accelerating implementation of agreed outcomes from the UNFCCC process. Actions and targets by non-state actors mobilized through the Marrakech Partnership and under the leadership of the Climate High-Level Champions include the Race to Zero , Race to Resilience and Nature Positive for Climate Action campaigns, 2030 Climate Solutions, 2030 Breakthroughs and Sharm El Sheikh Adaptation Agenda for collective target setting and transition pathways. Commitments and cooperative initiatives are tracked under the Global Climate Action Platform .	● Specific Strategies/ Planning documents; ● Implementation: Policies and activities	● Campaigning, ● Policy advocacy, ● Policy planning, ● Participatory approaches, ● Capacity building, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Mobilization
UNCCD Riyadh Action Agenda	Saudi Arabia Support: UNCCD Ambition Loop	A pioneering global platform mobilizing coordinated action to restore 1.5 billion hectares of degraded land by 2030. Launched by the UNNCD COP16 Presidency, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Riyadh Action Agenda identifies ways to address barriers, accelerate action, and drive measurable progress, through practical solutions and collaborative partnerships to combat desertification, land degradation and drought towards joint climate, biodiversity and land goals, including through identifying and mobilizing stakeholders across specific sectors and industries.	● Implementation: policies and activities	● Campaigning, ● Commitment, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Policy advocacy

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COP30 Action Agenda Plans to Accelerate Solution	Host initiative: Varied + SCP	The Plans to Accelerate Solutions (PAS) are a core initiative under the COP30 Action Agenda aimed at leveraging existing initiatives and coalitions to scale up climate action and ensure the implementation of the Paris Agreement commitments under the first Global Stocktake. The over 100 PAS will outline specific strategies and actions to scale up climate implementation efforts, including detailed initiatives, timelines and responsible parties, towards the second Global Stocktake in 2028, as affirmed within the five-year vision of the Global Climate Action Agenda. One key Rio Conventions-focused PAS focuses on the synergistic implementation of Rio Conventions, under Key Objective 6 which aims at better synergistic implementation of the Rio Conventions (UNFCCC, CBD, UNCCD). With the SCP in the secretariat role, it focuses on enabling whole-of-government policy alignment, accelerating synergistic financing and investment, and mobilizing cross-sector, whole-of-society collaboration through improved coordination and data accessibility at all levels. Other synergies-relevant PAS include “Nature-based solutions”, “Biodiversity adaptation and resilience”, and “Accelerating Actions on Land Restoration & Sustainable Agriculture in the Global South”.	● Goal setting, ● Specific strategies/ Planning documents, ● Implementation: Policies and activities, ● Financing and evaluation, ● Monitoring and reporting	● Campaigning, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Mobilization, ● Participatory approaches

INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING AND IMPLEMENTATION INITIATIVES AND SUPPORT

Efforts led by global organizations to enhance the skills, knowledge, and resources of countries and institutions towards broad-based efforts on synergistic implementation, enabling them to capitalize on synergies in addressing environmental and development challenges. These initiatives often involve partnerships, technical support, and funding to ensure sustainable development and policy coherence.



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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
Synergies Collaboration Platform	Secretariat: Ambition Loop	The Synergies Collaboration Platform (SCP) is a global coordination and knowledge hub that brings together actors supporting synergistic implementation of the three Rio Conventions. The SCP facilitates collaboration so that countries, coalitions and organizations can deliver their work more effectively and achieve stronger synergies in their implementation across Conventions. It serves as the host initiative for the synergistic implementation of the Rio Conventions 'plan to accelerate solution' under the COP30 Action Agenda.	● Goal setting, ● Specific strategies/ Planning documents, ● Implementation: policies and activities, ● Monitoring and reporting	● Commitment, ● Policy advocacy, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Matchmaking, ● Mobilization
UNDP Nature and Climate Nexus Offer	UNDP	Under the Climate Promise, UNDP helps countries raise the ambition and quality of nature-related targets in their third generation NDCs and supports policy coherence with NBSAPs. Engaging 44 countries adopting aligned approaches between UNFCCC and CBD national planning and policy setting.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Policy planning
NDC Partnership, NBSAP Accelerator Partnership and High Ambition Coalition for Nature and People matchmaking	NDC Partnership NBSAP Accelerator Partnership HAC for Nature and People	Matchmaking of country requests across NDC Partnership, NBSAP Accelerator Partnership and the High Ambition Coalition for Nature and People for cross-cutting and synergistic elements of NDC and NBSAP support inclusive of 30x30 target preparation and implementation, nature-based solutions, and relevant sectors such as agriculture and land-use, forests, mangroves and others.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Matchmaking

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
UNCCD Global Mechanism LDN TSP	UNCCD	The Global Mechanism is a specialized body of the UNCCD that advises countries to mobilize financial resources and increase investments in sustainable land management, helping reverse, control and prevent desertification, land degradation and drought as a means to protect land and biodiversity and mitigate climate change. The GM supported the creation of the LDN fund to raise money for sustainable agriculture projects. The GM includes technical support to ensure Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets are mainstreamed into NDCs and NBSAPs under its Target Setting Program (TSP).	● Financing and evaluation	● Fund raising and distribution, ● Knowledge production, ● Policy planning
GIZ/IKI BioClima programme	GIZ	Support project for implementation instruments of the GBF and the Paris Agreement for the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety or BMUKN, implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, currently has 4 partner countries. Includes a technical report series and a checklist on NDC-NAP-NBSAP alignment (with partners as WWF and IISD). The project supports partners through technical inputs and policy advice, including for NBSAP and NDC updates, and prepares learning experiences on synergies and NbS for policymakers.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Capacity building, ● Knowledge production, ● Policy planning
NAP Global Network	Secretariat: IISD	The National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Global Network, with IISD in the secretariat role, supports developing countries to advance their NAP processes. The Network facilitates South to South peer learning, supports NAP development and produces knowledge products. Their key themes for the NAP processes include Nature-based Solutions and ecosystem-based adaptation and NDC-NAP-NBSAP Alignment.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Knowledge production, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure, ● Policy planning, ● Technical implementation

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
UNDP Integrated Finance Frameworks	UNDP	Integrated National Financing Frameworks (INFFs) lay out countries' full range of financing sources and shape strategies to increase investment, manage risk and implement sustainable development strategies. UNDP provides leadership and technical expertise to governments of 86 countries in designing INFFs, laying the foundation for countries to finance their SDG targets, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in line with the Paris Agreement, and GBF-aligned NBSAPs.	Financing and evaluation	- Policy planning, - Technical Implementation
Net Zero Nature Positive Accelerator Integrated Programme	Secretariat: UNEP	The Net-Zero Nature Positive Accelerator Integrated Programme (NZNPA IP), funded by GEF-8, aims at ensuring policy coherence between and accelerating the implementation of biodiversity and climate agendas. The 6-year long programme that kicked off in 2025 supports policy coherence, finance mobilization, monitoring, and knowledge exchange through a Global Platform. It is delivered through 12 national child projects, which support NZNP integration at the upstream macroeconomic and downstream sectoral levels.	- Goal setting, - Financing and evaluation, - Monitoring and reporting	- Policy planning, - Fund raising and distribution, - Monitoring, - Reporting and Disclosure
Global Environment Facility (GEF) - enhancing policy coherence efforts	GEF	To support narrowing the nature funding gap and ensure sustainability of changes, the Global Environment Facility (GEF) has integrated policy coherence approaches in GEF-funded projects, operations, and capacity building of recipient countries. It is rolling out a dedicated funding window on projects that advance policy coherence (the STAR Competitive Window), as well as mainstreaming policy coherence into all its programming. GEF is also facilitating the creation of intersectoral committees and the advancement of knowledge on this topic. In its upcoming cycle, GEF-9, policy coherence will continue to be a cornerstone of GEF strategies, programming and operations.	- Financing and evaluation, - Implementation: Policies and activities, - Specific strategies/ Planning documents	- Capacity building, - Fund raising and distribution, - Policy planning

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
Global Environment Facility (GEF) Integrated Programs	GEF	The GEF Integrated Programs address major drivers of environmental degradation and/or deliver multiple benefits that fall under the GEF's mandate, including the Rio Conventions. In GEF-8, a total of 11 Integrated Programs have engaged a total of 98 recipient countries from all GEF regions, with a total of \$1.66 billion in GEF financing fully programmed and generating \$11.3 billion in co-financing.	- Financing and evaluation, - Implementation: policies and activities	Fund raising and distribution
UNEP Dialogue on Rio Synergies	UNEP	Building on prior country- and expert-consultations, the webinar series addressed gaps, barriers and focus activities for synergistic policy-making on nature and climate under the Rio Conventions. Three dialogues took place in October 2025, focusing on "Finance", "Monitoring and Reporting" and "Policy-Coherence and Integrated Planning". Expert inputs and subsequent thematic discussions resulted in consolidated summaries for each session. The summaries will be synthesized into a White Paper and presented at a side event in the German pavilion at COP30 (17.11., 3-4pm). The series is concluded by a final project report in February 2026. UNEP activities also included a webinar on Rio Synergies for Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) countries, showcasing UNEP's strategic initiatives and capacity-building efforts.	Implementation: policies and activities	- Capacity building, - Knowledge dissemination
Economics of Land Degradation initiative (ELD)	Secretariat: GIZ	ELD is a global initiative established by the UNCCD, the German BMZ, the European Commission and hosted by GIZ that produces economic analysis of land degradation and sustainable land management and supports its use in land decisions. ELD works at the science-policy interface. ELD has produced a series of studies on the benefits of synergistic implementation of land restoration in Central Asia, Uzbekistan and Rwanda. As a novel contribution, these studies for the first time estimate the cost saving potentials from synergetic implementation.	- Implementation: policies and activities, - Financing and evaluation	- Capacity building, - Knowledge production, - Policy planning

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
SDG Indicator 17.14.1 on policy coherence for sustainable development	UNEP OECD	UNEP and OECD are co-custodians of the SDG Indicator 17.14.1 on Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development, which tracks countries with mechanisms to enhance policy coherence (Tier II). In 2025, a new methodology and questionnaire to gather country-level data on the indicator was developed. UNEP uses its custodianship to strengthen synergies in national MEA implementation through capacity building, sectoral guidance, and policy coherence tools; assessments, toolkits, and knowledge products; and organizing trainings and peer learning to promote best practices and North-South, South-South, and Triangular cooperation.	Implementation: Policies and activities	- Capacity building, - Knowledge production, - Policy planning
Nature4Climate country support	Host organization: TNC	Nature4Climate is a global coalition of 30 environmental organizations dedicated to promoting nature's role in tackling the climate crisis. It aims to drive investment and accelerate the implementation at scale of nature-based solutions by sharing policy guidance, scientific data, key resources and leading campaigns and advocacy, flagship events, and strategic partnerships with stakeholders such as investors, financial institutions, corporates, and civil society groups.	- Implementation: Policies and activities, - Financing and evaluation	- Campaigning, - Knowledge dissemination
The Nature Conservancy country support	TNC	The Nature Conservancy is a global environmental non-profit that has engaged in 12 countries to promote synergies across NDCs, NBSAPs, and NAPs through an internal policy initiative to maximize alignment of climate and biodiversity plans. Direct in country work has been supplemented through participation in initiatives such as the Biodiversity Mainstreaming Champions group.	Specific strategies/ Planning documents	Policy planning

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Conservation International country support	CI	CI has been supporting 12 countries across the Americas, Africa, and Asia-Pacific with development of aligned NBSAPs and NDCs, with 10 of these presenting final NBSAP and/or NDCs with one or more areas of alignment. CI utilized spatial mapping of high carbon and high biodiversity areas to help decision makers prioritize action in the places that provide biodiversity and climate win-wins and design area-based conservation strategies for maximum impact. CI also supported the establishment of cross-sectoral and ministerial partnerships and coalitions in country, setting the stage for future efforts on enhanced alignment.	● Goal setting, ● Specific strategies/ Planning documents, ● Institutional arrangement	● Capacity building, ● Policy planning
BirdLife International country support	BL	BirdLife International has various initiatives and projects linking global policy to national planning and local NbS action – with BirdLife partners in 119 countries, we negotiate on behalf of various governments and Presidencies in UNFCCC and a range of MEAs, coordinate national planning such as NBSAP, Adaptation Communications, and CBIT, and convene multistakeholder initiatives to drive implementation.	● Implementation: Policies and activities	● Policy planning, ● Technical Implementation, ● Knowledge production
International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) country support	IISD	The International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) supports policy-makers and practitioners to strengthen their climate and biodiversity governance and enhance policy coherence and complementarity at the national and international levels. The nature and synergies projects of IISD provide research insights, practical tools and guidance, and negotiations advocacy and support to promote Rio synergies and advance national and international conversations on the climate-biodiversity nexus.	● Implementation: Policies and activities	● Policy planning, ● Technical Implementation, ● Knowledge production, ● Capacity-building

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
World Wildlife Fund International country support	WWF	World Wildlife Fund with a network in 80+ countries, works with governments at multilateral level and translates global decisions into national implementation—supporting governments in the design, planning and alignment of national instruments, and to mainstream high-integrity Nature-based Solutions in policy and investment. We produce practical toolkits, checklists and guidance, convene multi-stakeholder coalitions, turning commitments into measurable benefits for people, climate, biodiversity, and land.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents, ● Implementation: policies and activities, ● Financing and evaluation	● Policy planning, ● Technical Implementation, ● Knowledge production, ● Capacity-building

DATA TOOLS, PLATFORMS, AND INITIATIVES

The section on “data, tools, platforms, and initiatives” covers various digital solutions that support environmental and sustainability efforts through data management, analysis, and sharing. This section details the functionalities, applications, and benefits of these digital tools and platforms, highlighting their roles in enhancing transparency, facilitating knowledge sharing, and improving the efficiency of environmental reporting and policy evaluation.



DATA TOOLS, PLATFORMS, AND INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
DaRT	UNEP	DaRT, implemented by UNEP, is an online platform providing private country dashboards to facilitate the collection, management, and sharing of data and knowledge related to biodiversity-related Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs), enhancing transparency and efficiency and ensuring continuity and institutional knowledge, as well as facilitating interministerial communication.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Knowledge dissemination
Rio Policy Radar	Climate Policy Radar	Rio Policy Radar is a shared space for country submissions to the three Rio Conventions, hosted by Climate Policy Radar within CPR's full-text searchable app. This tool will allow users to easily explore how countries are addressing the three interlinked issues, and their co-benefits, opportunities or trade-offs. For example, users will be able to readily identify how different countries around the world are using nature-based solutions in their drought plans. For this first phase (launching at COP30) CPR is focusing on national submissions, but going forward the platform will go deeper, collecting and opening up policies and law from across the three "siloes".	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents, ● Implementation: Policies and activities	● Knowledge dissemination
SEI AI Policy Reader	Stockholm Environment Institute	The Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) AI Reader (beta) is a document analysis tool developed in 2024 by SEI researchers (Babis et al., 2024). It utilizes large language models (LLM) to assist with literature reviews and extract policy-relevant data across various national and thematic contexts. It features a user-friendly interface with customizable input options: - A main query panel for targeted prompts. - A structured table where users can define (i) key dependent variables, (ii) instruct what data needs to be extracted for each variable and, (iii) provide examples to illustrate what should (and should not) be extracted. - Advanced functions that enable direct quote extraction as well as targeted summaries that enable complex analysis. The tool's simple interface is designed to ensure accessibility even for non-technical users.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Policy planning, ● Knowledge dissemination

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
CAMDA	Secretariat: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	CAMDA is a secretariat led by the Data-Driven EnviroLab (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) that serves as an analytic layer connecting non-state actor (NSA) climate actions to the Global Stocktake's key performance indicators (KPIs). It aims to complement NAZCA's static registry by providing a dynamic recognition and stocktaking tool by linking NSA efforts to real-economy transformation metrics across multiple dimensions. CAMDA convenes a consortium of partner organizations to develop reproducible data pipelines that integrate earth observation and large-scale datasets to track and attribute subnational contributions to global climate goals.	● Monitoring and reporting	● Knowledge dissemination, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure
GEOBON	Secretariat: McGill University	The Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network (GEO BON) is a globally coordinated biodiversity observation and monitoring network providing data and tools to decision-makers, scientists, and the public in all sectors and supporting conservation, management and sustainable use of the world's biodiversity and its contributions to people from local to global levels. There are stronger opportunities for aligning biodiversity indicators with climate monitoring and indicators for land-use planning and other carbon sequestration efforts.	● Monitoring and reporting	● Assessment and verification, ● Knowledge production, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure
NatureBase	The Nature Conservancy (TNC)	Naturebase is an interactive platform supported by the Nature4Climate coalition that consolidates science-based data on nature's pathways to mitigate climate change, guiding the implementation of high-integrity nature-based projects for maximum carbon mitigation impact.	● Implementation: policies and activities	● Knowledge dissemination

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
Greensearch AI	Greensearch AI	GreenSearch AI is an AI-driven search platform designed to provide users with efficient access to environmental and sustainability information, enhancing research capabilities in the green sector.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Knowledge dissemination
PLANT tool	Host: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	PLANT, hosted by the UNDP, assists countries in analyzing opportunities to enhance the forest sector's contribution to Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), focusing on emission reductions, carbon market access, and transparency under the Paris Agreement.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Assessment and verification
Restor	ETH Zurich/ Crowther Lab	Restor is a Swiss nonprofit that provides a global hub connecting restoration and conservation initiatives, offering ecological data, monitoring tools, and networking opportunities to empower local projects and promote ecosystem restoration.	● Implementation: policies and activities, ● Monitoring and reporting	● Assessment and verification, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure
Food, Environment, Land and Development (FELD) Action Tracker	FOLU Coalition, UN SDSN	The Food, Environment, Land and Development (FELD) Action Tracker is a strategic initiative under the Food and Land Use (FOLU) Coalition, led by the UN Sustainable Solutions Network (SDSN). The Action Tracker is complementing other initiatives by the Coalition, dedicated to providing practical support to countries' transformation of food and land use systems: It does so by systematically analysing national policies; by tracking the resulting implementation and other related actions; by identifying good practices to be shared on a dedicated platform; and by assessing specific impact and overall progress against national and global strategies and targets under the Paris Climate Agreement and the SDGs.	● Implementation: policies and activities	● Assessment and verification, ● Knowledge production

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
Coastal Carbon Atlas	Smithsonian Institution	This resource includes the Coastal Carbon Atlas (global) and Blue Carbon Data Inventory (for the United States). It provides data on tidal wetlands worldwide, including ecosystem type, carbon stocks, and extent. The Smithsonian offers to work with countries on incorporating this data into NDCs where complete and pointing countries to other data sources should it not be complete to determine achievable targets.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Assessment and verification, ● Knowledge production
Agriculture and Land Use National GHG Inventory and Mitigation Analysis Software Tool (ALU)	Colorado State University	The Agriculture and Land Use Greenhouse Gas Inventory (ALU) Software, provided by the Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory of the Colorado State University, guides an inventory compiler through the process of estimating greenhouse gas emissions and removals related to agricultural and forestry activities. The software simplifies the process of conducting the inventory by dividing the inventory analysis into steps to facilitate the compilation of activity data, assignment of emission factors, and completion of the calculations. The software also has internal checks to ensure data integrity. Furthermore, the software program is designed to support an evaluation of mitigation potentials using the inventory data as a baseline for projecting emission trends associated with management alternatives.	● Monitoring and reporting	● Assessment and verification, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure
IBAT	Birdlife International, Conservation International, IUCN, UNEP-WCMC	IBAT is the world's most authoritative biodiversity data platform to assess biodiversity risks and align with global frameworks to support nature-positive goals. IBAT is an alliance of Birdlife International, Conservation International, IUCN, and UNEP-WCMC.	● Goal setting	● Knowledge dissemination, ● Assessment and verification

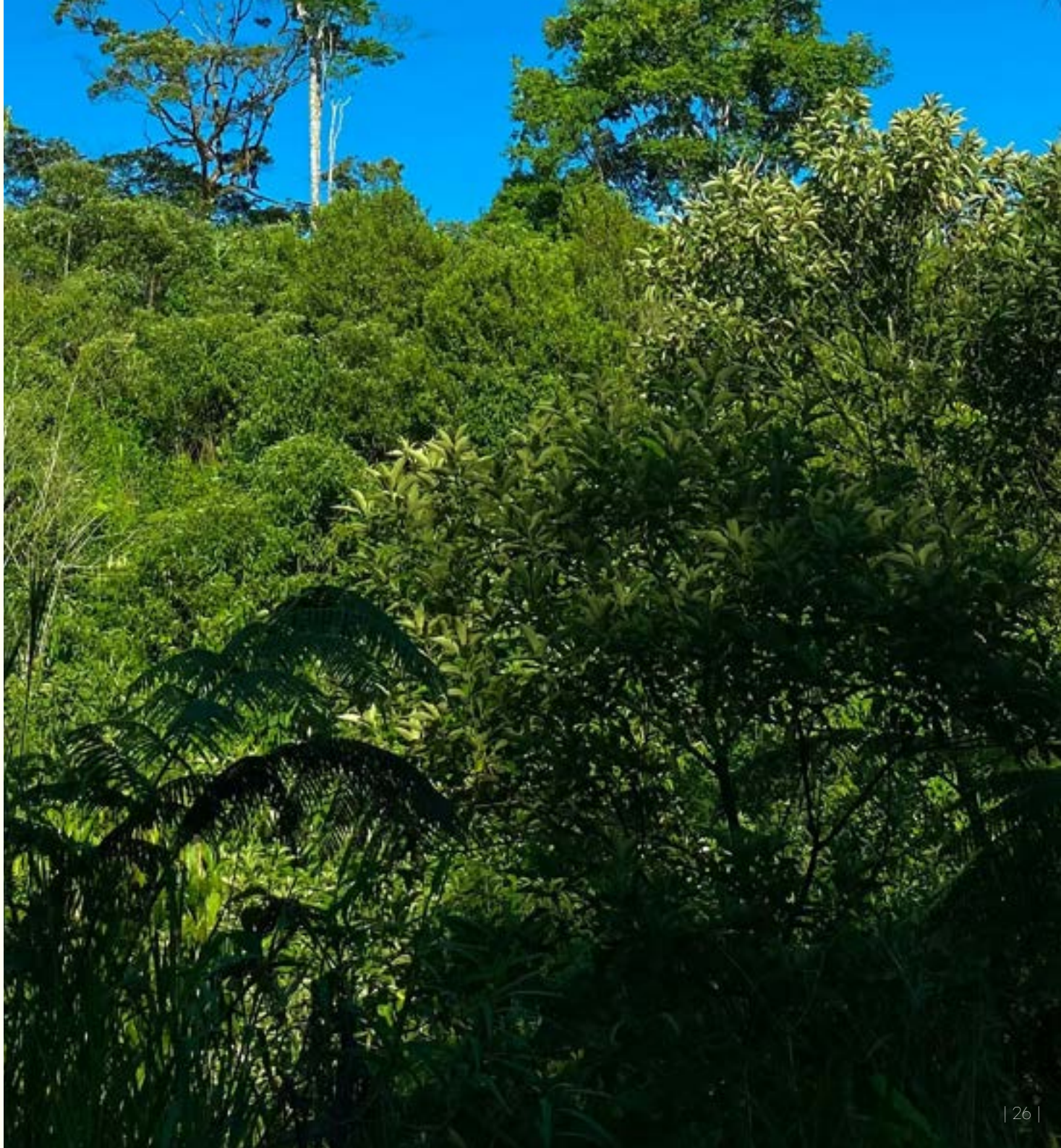
DATA TOOLS, PLATFORMS, AND INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Host / lead organization	Description	Topic	Functions
Avian Sensitivity Tool for Energy Planning (AVISTEP)	Birdlife International	AVISTEP is a primary nature sensitivity mapping for energy planning, developed in 9 countries, with 5-10 in the pipeline. AVISTEP is developed by BirdLife International, supported by the Asian Development Bank and a range of public and private funders.	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents	● Assessment and verification
Key Biodiversity Areas	KBA Partnership	Key Biodiversity Areas are 16,000+ globally significant sites for nature, climate and people. The Key Biodiversity Area is a partnership of 13 leading organisations, such as BirdLife and IUCN.	● Implementation: policies and activities	● Knowledge dissemination, Assessment and verification

SECTOR-SPECIFIC INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE INITIATIVES

Coordinated efforts by various countries and organizations to address specific issues within particular sectors, such as oceans, forests, water, and finance. The initiatives focus on fostering global cooperation, sharing knowledge, and mobilizing resources to achieve targeted goals and sustainable development within those sectors.



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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Oceans & Freshwater			
Global Ocean Alliance	Chair and secretariat: United Kingdom Country members: 75 Year established: 2019	The Global Ocean Alliance (GOA) fosters global cooperation on solutions that ensure the ocean continues to regulate climate and sustain biodiversity, including the KMGBF 30by30 ocean target. GOA is a 77-country alliance, led by the UK. Its actions include investing in ecosystem monitoring technology, collaborating with ports and shipping companies on the net zero shipping transition, fostering ocean education, and uniting regional alliances.	● Campaigning, ● Knowledge dissemination
High Level Panel for a Sustainable Ocean Economy (Ocean Panel)	Chairs: Norway, Palau Secretariat: WRI Country members: 19	The High Level Panel for a Sustainable Ocean Economy (Ocean Panel) is an initiative by 18 world leaders who are building momentum for a sustainable ocean economy to address climate change and biodiversity loss. Its secretariat is hosted by the World Resources Institute. The Ocean Panel works with governments, businesses, financial institutions, the science community and civil society to catalyze solutions for sustainable ocean management. Their vision includes the goal of 30% MPAs and reducing GHGs in shipping. Their work includes the formulation of an action agenda towards sustainable ocean management, of which “alignment” under the UNFCCC and CBD is a guiding principle and restoring ecosystems to protect against climate change is a goal.	● Commitment, ● Mobilization
Freshwater Challenge	Secretariat: WWF, Wetlands International Country members: 54 Year established: 2023	The Freshwater Challenge (FWC) is a voluntary, country-led partnership with the goal to restore 300,000 kilometers of degraded rivers and 350 million hectares of degraded wetlands by 2030, while securing the protection of freshwater ecosystems important for biodiversity and climate regulation. Its secretariat is hosted by the WWF. The FWC is designed to accelerate action on freshwater ecosystems restoration and protection as essential for the implementation of all three Rio Conventions as well as the Convention on Wetlands, through the incorporation of action on rivers, lakes and other freshwater wetlands into national targets and plans for climate, biodiversity, land degradation neutrality, water security, and other priorities. With 54 member countries and the EU, the Freshwater Challenge enhances political momentum at global and national level for freshwater ecosystems action as key to realising synergies; builds capacity, knowledge and technical expertise; and supports countries in the mobilisation of funds to protect and restore freshwater ecosystems.	● Capacity building, ● Commitment, ● Fund raising and distribution, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Matchmaking, ● Policy planning, ● Technical implementation

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Drought			
International Drought Resilience Alliance	Chairs: Senegal, Spain Secretariat: UNCCD Country members: 40 Year established: 2022	The International Drought Alliance (IDRA) mobilizes political, technical, and financial capital to enhance our collective ability to prepare for, and adapt to, drought. The IDRA Secretariat is hosted by the UNCCD. The IDRA brings together more than 60 countries and organizations, including intergovernmental entities, multilateral development banks, financial institutions, NGOs, civil society groups, and the private sector. It focuses on campaigning, knowledge exchange, innovative finance mechanisms and establishing a common framework for action.	● Campaigning, ● Fund raising and distribution, ● Knowledge dissemination
Riyadh Global Drought Resilience Partnership	Chairs: Saudi Arabia Secretariat: UNCCD Year established: 2024	Designed to shift global drought response from crisis management to long-term resilience, the RGDRP, an initiative of the UNCCD and its Global Mechanism, connects 74 vulnerable countries to technical, financial and knowledge resources. Their offer includes a Readiness Facility to build national capacities, an Investment Facility to finance drought resilience projects, and a Knowledge Platform to share innovations and best practices.	● Capacity building, ● Fund raising and distribution, ● Knowledge dissemination
Land degradation and Food Systems			
G20 Global Land Initiative	Chairs: South Africa Secretariat: UNCCD Country members: 21 Year established: 2020	The initiative aims to prevent, halt and reverse land degradation with an ambition to reduce degraded land by 50 percent by 2040. Hosted by the UNCCD secretariat. It has four focus areas: capacity-building, empowering civil society, engaging the private sector, and showcasing best practices. The initiative covers all ecosystems and aims to create partnerships with the CBD and UNFCCC.	● Capacity building, ● Commitment, ● Mobilization, ● Knowledge dissemination

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Alliance of Champions for Food Systems Transformation	Chairs: Brazil, Norway, Sierra Leone Secretariat: FOLU, CGIAR Country members: 7 Year established: 2023	The ACF is an Alliance of countries committed to urgent, systemic food systems change that benefits people, nature, and climate. Launched at COP28, the ACF seeks to accelerate global progress in five key areas: climate mitigation, food security and nutrition, adaptation and resilience, equity and livelihoods, and nature and biodiversity. Its secretariat is hosted by the Food and Land Use Coalition (FOLU) and the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR).	- Commitment, - Monitoring, - Reporting and Disclosure, - Norm and standard setting
RAIZ (Resilient Agriculture Investment for Net Zero Land Degradation)	Chairs: Brazil Secretariat: FAO FAST, FOLU, UNCCCD Country members: TBC Year established: 2025	RAIZ - Resilient Agriculture Investment for net Zero land degradation is a global effort to map and mobilize funding for the restoration of degraded farmlands worldwide. Aligned with the shared global goals of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), RAIZ is hosted by the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock of Brazil (MAPA) under the FAO FAST Partnership with the collaboration of the UNCCD G20 Global Land Initiative and the Food and Land Use Coalition (FOLU) in partnership with the Action Agenda for Regenerative Landscapes. The initiative is supported by technical partners such as the Green Climate Fund, the World Bank, CGIAR, ICS and Agroicone among others.	- Capacity building, - Fund raising and distribution, - Knowledge dissemination, - Policy planning
Climate Resilient Food Systems Alliance	Secretariat: The Commonwealth Country members: 16 Year established: 2021	The CRFS Alliance provides a platform for achieving climate resilient food systems by synergizing efforts across the different actors who are part of the alliance. Its activities focus on providing an overview of different support options available to countries. Its vision is a world with sustainable food systems, including the preservation of ecosystems and neutralizing the threat of biodiversity loss.	- Knowledge dissemination, - Knowledge production, - Matchmaking, - Policy planning

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
The Convergence Initiative	Secretariat: UN FAO Year established: 2023	The UN Food Systems Coordination Hub's Convergence Initiative supports food systems transformation alignment within NDCs and NAPs to drive synergetic action at national levels, ensuring countries can pursue both sustainable development and climate resilience. It offers two formats: the Convergence Action Blueprint as a voluntary framework for countries to converge food systems, and Convergence Dialogues to bring together stakeholders. It builds on the UN Food Systems Summit and a COP28 Leaders' Declaration.	● Participatory approaches, ● Policy planning
Forests			
Tropical Forests Forever Facility	Chairs: Brazil Secretariat: World Bank Year established: 2025	The TFFF is an initiative by the Brazilian government to be launched at COP30 that aims to provide PES for standing forests in tropical countries (protecting climate change and biodiversity). The fund is planned to be made up of combined investments of public and private actors. The payouts for tropical countries feed from the returns to investment (after payout of donor countries), with the requirement that 20% of payments go to IPLCs.	● Fund raising and distribution
Forest and Climate Leaders' Partnership	Chairs: Guyana, United Kingdom Secretariat: FCLP secretariat Country members: 36 Year established: 2022	The Forest & Climate Leaders' Partnership (FCLP), with its own dedicated secretariat, is a focused effort of governments with partners committed to expanding and maintaining high-level political leadership on forests, land-use and climate, to work together to implement solutions that reduce forest loss, increase restoration and support sustainable development, and to ensure accountability for the pledges that have been made.	● Commitment, ● Participatory approaches, ● Policy planning

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Mangrove Breakthrough	Secretariat: Ambition Loop Country members: 30 Year established: 2023	The Mangrove Breakthrough is a call for accelerated action and investment from governments, the private sector, and non-state actors, with the goal to protect mangroves and their biodiversity and ability to act as carbon sinks. Its secretariat is hosted by Ambition Loop. Endorsers join a community of action that focuses on knowledge exchange and capacity building. Collective action will focus on: Halting mangrove loss, restoring half of recent losses, doubling the protection of mangroves globally, and ensuring sustainable long-term finance for all existing mangroves. The country members represent around 60% of the world's mangroves.	- Assessment and verification, - Capacity building, - Commitment, - Knowledge production,
Mangrove Alliance for Climate	Chairs: UAE, Indonesia Secretariat: UAE Country members: 41 Year established: 2022	The UN Food Systems Coordination Hub's Convergence Initiative supports food systems transformation alignment within NDCs and NAPs to drive synergetic action at national levels, ensuring countries can pursue both sustainable development and climate resilience. It offers two formats: the Convergence Action Blueprint as a voluntary framework for countries to converge food systems, and Convergence Dialogues to bring together stakeholders. It builds on the UN Food Systems Summit and a COP28 Leaders' Declaration.	- Commitment, - Knowledge production, - Knowledge dissemination
Finance			
Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action	Chairs: Netherlands, Uganda Secretariat: World Bank Country members: 100 Year established: 2019	The Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action brings together finance ministers from over 90 countries, who have agreed to the non-binding 'Helsinki Principles' to promote national climate action through fiscal policy. The Coalition has a workstream on Nature (nature conservation, restoration, and sustainable use) that focuses on reducing economic drivers of nature loss and ensuring a smooth transition to a nature-positive economy. Its secretariat is hosted by the World Bank. Its priority areas include the implementation of relevant GBF targets (aligning financial flows, disclosure, subsidies, mobilization of resources), data, reporting and disclosure, how to value nature capital, nature financing, and phasing out subsidies harmful to nature. Guidances on nature mainstreaming is featured within its forthcoming Guidebook.	- Capacity building, - Commitment, - Knowledge production

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Ministerial Alliance for Ambition on Nature Finance	Chairs: Nigeria Secretariat: Campaign for Nature Country members: 16 Year established: 2023	Founded at UNFCCC COP28, the Ministerial Alliance for Ambition On Nature Finance is a group of Ministers of Environment that hold donor countries accountable to the commitments made in the KMGBF, including the Target 19a commitment to deliver USD 20 billion annually in international biodiversity finance to developing countries by 2025. The alliance's secretariat is hosted by Campaign for Nature. The alliance publicly tracks commitments towards the \$20B target, showing the gap that needs to be filled, and demonstrates the need for international finance by showcasing projects ready for investment.	● Campaigning, ● Monitoring, ● Reporting and Disclosure
Finance Sector Deforestation Action (FSDA)	Secretariat: IIGCC Year established: 2021	Launched at COP26, the Finance Sector Deforestation Action (FSDA) brings together more than 30 financial institutions and companies that have committed to using best efforts to end commodity-driven deforestation in their investment and lending portfolios. It is based on the principles that halting deforestation is vital to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement and CBD. Over its four-year mandate, FSDA raised the bar of ambition for investors seeking to address and steward deforestation-related financial risks in their portfolios. The initiative has provided practical tools, resources, and best-practice examples that have directly informed and advanced individual participants' activities. Despite progress, deforestation remains an urgent challenge beyond 2025, with investor efforts continuing through IIGCC's Deforestation Investor Group (DIG) platform to be launched in January 2026.	● Commitment
Region or Constituency-based Coalitions			
Coalition for High Ambition Multilevel Partnerships (CHAMP)	Chairs: Brazil, Germany Secretariat: GCOM, C40 Country members: 78 Year established: 2023	The Coalition for High Ambition Multilevel Partnerships (CHAMP) for Climate Action was created to enhance cooperation between national and subnational governments in the planning, financing, implementation, and monitoring of, among others, NDCs, NAPs, and NBSAPs. CHAMP was put forth by the COP28 Presidency in Dubai, and was ultimately endorsed by 77 nations. Its secretariat is hosted by the Global Covenant of Mayors (GCOM) and the C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group (C40).	● Capacity building, ● Commitment, ● Policy planning, ● Technical implementation

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Initiative/ programme	Information	Description	Functions
Nature Champions Network	Chair and secretariat: Canada Country members: 20 Year established: 2023	The Nature Champions Network advocates for the rapid implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF). This group of ministerial leaders convenes regularly on the margins of multilateral forums to share progress in implementing the KMGBF. Supports Rio convention coordination and raises awareness of the role of biodiversity for addressing climate change. Its secretariat is hosted by the Government of Canada.	● Campaigning, ● Mobilization, ● Policy advocacy
SIDS Coalition for Nature	Chairs: Belize, Cabo Verde, Samoa, Seychelles Secretariat: UNDESA Country members: 33 Year established: 2022	The Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Coalition for Nature was launched at the 15th CBD COP in 2022 to help SIDS implement the GBF through strategic partnerships and advocacy. Accelerating biodiversity mainstreaming and synergies between the conventions is one of their 3 priorities. The Coalition also facilitates SIDS to SIDS peer learning for NbS. Its secretariat is hosted by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA).	● Campaigning, ● Capacity building, ● Knowledge dissemination, ● Matchmaking, ● Policy planning

CASE STUDIES OF DOMESTIC INITIATIVES

Specific projects, programs or policies within one country aimed at addressing particular issues synergetically. This table provides insights into the aims, methods and outcomes of the initiatives, showcasing best practices and lessons learned that can inform future efforts and policies.



CASE STUDIES OF DOMESTIC INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Description	Topic
Brazil Climate and Ecological Transformation Investment Platform	The Brazil Climate and Ecological Transformation Investment Platform – BIP is an initiative from the Brazilian government. The Platform supports the Ecological Transition Plan and other government climate and adaptation plans by coordinating investments to implement transitions across both national climate and biodiversity plans.	● Financing and evaluation
Panama's Nature Pledge	Developed by the Ministry for the Environment, Panama's Nature Pledge includes commitments to restore 100,000 hectares of ecosystems by 2035, develop a national peatlands map, and highlight nature-based solutions as adaptation measures. The pledge aims to maximize synergies among the three Rio Conventions, optimize financing, align international commitments, and improve collaboration and socio-economic resilience through efficient implementation of climate actions.	● High level mandate
China's 14th Five-Year Plan	The 14th Five-Year Plan (FYP) for National Economic and Social Development highlights that ecosystem protection and restoration are at the core of China's sustainable development strategy. It includes the establishment of new protected areas and national parks and enhancing ecosystem carbon sequestration capacity and provides a common narrative for national biodiversity and climate actions.	● High level mandate
Mexico's development of its National Biodiversity Targets	Mexico had a participatory process led by the National Commission for the Knowledge and Use of Biodiversity (CONABIO) and encompassing over 35 federal government institutions, including significant actors such as the INECC and SEMARNAT's Directorate General for Climate Change Policies (DGPAC) to develop its National Biodiversity Targets which meet commitments to CBD and UNFCCC. It was based on intersectoral discussion, institutional alignment, and reciprocal accountability, particularly among biodiversity and climate agencies	● Goal setting

CASE STUDIES OF DOMESTIC INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Description	Topic
Costa Rica's update of its NDC and NBSAP	Costa Rica's biodiversity and climate change agendas have a high degree of alignment. This is well reflected in the country's NDC and NBSAP targets. Costa Rica's climate change mitigation efforts are highly dependent on the country's forests' mitigation potential and the agriculture, forests, and other land use sectors to reduce emissions, and also uses EbA for adaptation. The country identified existing targets from its 2016 NBSAP and aligned them strategically with targets outlined in its latest NDC, particularly regarding timelines. EG: NBSAP Target 6: "By 2025 at least 6 biological corridors will manage climate refuges." NDC Adaptation Guideline 7.9: "By 2026, at least 6 biological corridors will manage climate refuges, defined by SINAC."	● Specific strategies/ Planning documents
Germany's Federal Action Plan on Nature-based Solutions for Climate and Biodiversity (ANK)	The Federal Action Plan on Nature-based Solutions for Climate and Biodiversity (ANK) is aimed at improving the general condition of ecosystems in Germany, thus strengthening their resilience and climate mitigation performance. The plan links climate action with nature conservation and ensures that degraded ecosystems regain their health, their resilience and their biodiversity. It comprises 69 measures in a total of ten fields of action, for example, peatlands, forest ecosystems, seas and coasts, settlement and transport areas or research and capacity building. At the core of the program are the financing of restoration measures and incentives for adapted economic approaches that contribute to nature-based climate action. New funding programs are launched for this purpose.	● Implementation: Policies and activities
Rwanda Green Fund (FONERWA)	To mobilise sufficient financial resources to implement its biodiversity and climate actions, the Government of Rwanda established an autonomous institution to further scale up resource mobilisation and allocation in 2012—the National Fund for Environment: Rwanda Green Fund (FONERWA). Its main objectives include sustainably mobilizing and managing funds and resources to finance activities to protect and preserve environmental and natural resources and financing climate mitigation and adaptation initiatives. Till now, FONERWA has mobilized approximately USD 89 million from different national and international sources, including FCDO, KfW, the Government of Rwanda, the Least Developed Countries Fund, and the African Development Bank. Managed under one structure, this integrated financing mechanism ensures a coherent resource mobilisation strategy for both climate and biodiversity portfolios. It also promotes projects that align with climate and biodiversity objectives to maximize resource efficiency and promote synergistic implementation.	● Financing and evaluation

CASE STUDIES OF DOMESTIC INITIATIVES

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Initiative/ programme	Description	Topic
<u>UK's Outcome Indicator Framework</u>	The UK's Outcome Indicator Framework (OIF) underpins the UK's 25-Year Environment Plan by providing a comprehensive set of 66 indicators to track environmental change and policy impact across climate, biodiversity, and adaptation agendas. The OIF supports coherence between the UK's NDC, NBSAP, and NAP by offering a shared evidence base for monitoring progress and is regularly updated by Defra and its agencies.	● Monitoring and reporting
<u>Madagascar's Interministerial Committee for the Environment</u>	The Government of Madagascar has created the Interministerial Committee for the Environment (CIME) to help integrate environmental and climatic dimensions into various sectoral policies, strategies, plans, and programs, particularly in budgetary terms. The committee is made of leading representatives of each ministry and is placed under the authority of the Prime Minister. It also mediates when conflicts between sectors arise.	● Institutional arrangement

For points of contact across these different initiatives and programmes, or to share additional initiatives or programmes supporting synergistic implementation, please contact synergiesplatform@ambitionloop.earth

ANNEX



‘TOPICS’

The “topics” category is based on the following typology, developed from the GIZ and IISD Publication [Effectively delivering on Climate and Nature: NDCs, NAPs and NBSAPs Synergies – A checklist for national policymakers](#) and from the “synergy mechanisms” developed by ELD in its [work on Rio synergies](#). Specific examples for the categories can be found in the “Case studies of domestic initiatives” section. It contains the following categories:

- **High level mandate:** Refers to high level national mandates to advance synergies in climate and biodiversity, for example a mandate to ensure coordination between the processes to update the NDC, NAP, and NBSAP.
- **Goal setting:** Refers to defining shared national objectives integrating climate and biodiversity goals in a way that ensures consistency across time and different strategies, as well as making sure that goals take into account future climatic change and biodiversity loss. One example for synergies in goal setting is ensuring that goals are aligned across NBSAPs, NDCs, NAPs, and national policies.
- **Specific strategies/Planning documents:** Refers to aligning national policy documents such as NBSAPs, NDCs, and NAPs to be consistent across targets and timelines to integrate biodiversity, climate mitigation, and adaptation priorities.
- **Implementation: policies and activities:** Refers to concrete actions advancing climate and biodiversity goals, for example ecosystem-based adaptation projects.
- **Financing and evaluation:** Refers to developing coordinated funding mechanisms that jointly support climate and biodiversity goals, for example pooled investment funds financing ecosystem restoration with both carbon and resilience benefits.
- **Monitoring and reporting:** Refers to harmonized systems tracking progress and outcomes across climate and biodiversity actions, for example unified indicators reporting jointly to the Paris Agreement and Global Biodiversity Framework.
- **Institutional arrangement:** Refers to specific coordination bodies facilitating synergy implementation, for example national coordination committees linking environment, climate, and planning agencies.

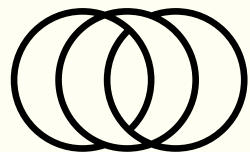
‘FUNCTIONS’

The “functions” category follows the typology of activities and efforts by cooperative initiatives as outlined in the [UNFCCC’s Global Climate Action Portal](#)

- **Assessment and verification:** Tools and analytical systems that evaluate and validate data or outcomes related to integrated climate, biodiversity and land actions, for example assessing emission reductions, restoration progress, or alignment with national and global targets.
- **Campaigning:** Coordinated communication and outreach efforts that build political momentum and public engagement for integrated action, for example global campaigns or high-level platforms that unite countries and partners around shared nature-positive and climate-resilient goals.
- **Capacity building:** individual; institutional; participants/members: Efforts to strengthening the abilities of individuals, institutions, and member organizations to design, coordinate, and implement integrated actions, for example through technical assistance, peer learning, and training that enhance policy coherence and practical implementation capacities.
- **Commitment:** Formal pledges or declarations by countries and organizations to advance integrated goals, for example high-level joint statements, partnership charters, or national restoration and resilience targets that align actions across the Rio Conventions.
- **Fund raising and distribution:** Efforts to mobilize and channel financial resources to advance integrated objectives, for example through investment facilities, dedicated funds, or blended finance mechanisms supporting restoration, resilience, and sustainable land management.
- **Knowledge dissemination:** The sharing of data, tools, resources and lessons that enhance synergistic action, for example through global platforms, reports, and dialogues that make best practices, policy guidance, and technical resources widely accessible to countries and partners.

‘FUNCTIONS’

- **Knowledge production:** The generation of new evidence, analyses, and methodologies—such as interoperable greenhouse gas inventories, economic assessments, biodiversity risk evaluations, and nature-based solutions data—that inform policy, planning, and implementation for climate, biodiversity, and land management.
- **Matchmaking:** Actions to connect actors, such as countries seeking support for NDC or NBSAP updates, with the most appropriate initiatives, experts, or partnerships, including guidance on potential sources of technical assistance, knowledge, or funding to ensure their projects and plans can be effectively supported and implemented.
- **Mobilization:** The engagement of actors across governments, civil society, the private sector, and international organizations to take coordinated action on climate, biodiversity, and land restoration goals, including generating political will, aligning resources, and, for example, launching coalitions or global calls to accelerate ecosystem restoration and protection.
- **Monitoring, Reporting and Disclosure:** Actions to systematically track progress on climate, biodiversity, and land restoration commitments in an integrated and/or interoperable manner, consolidating data from diverse actors, and making results transparent and accessible to inform decision-making, strengthen accountability, and guide adaptive action.
- **Norm and standard setting:** The establishment of common benchmarks, principles, and criteria to guide interoperable and/or cohesive climate, biodiversity, and land restoration actions, ensuring consistency and comparability across policies, projects, and reporting frameworks.
- **Participatory approaches:** Efforts to create opportunities for subnational governments, non-state actors, Indigenous Peoples, and local communities to collaborate in planning, implementing, and tracking climate and ecosystem solutions through multi-stakeholder dialogues and cooperative initiatives that align national strategies, set targets, and monitor progress toward agreed commitments.
- **Policy advocacy:** Efforts to help influence policy agendas and decision-making to strengthen the integration and alignment of climate, biodiversity and land goals, for example advocating for inclusion of nature-based solutions in national adaptation or mitigation plans.
- **Policy planning:** Actions supporting the alignment of national biodiversity, climate and land strategies, for example ensuring coherence among NDCs, NAPs, NBSAPs and LDN targets, and considering biodiversity, climate and land issues in respective policy planning processes.
- **Product development:** The design of new tools, methodologies, and guidance to enable actors to implement climate, biodiversity, and land restoration solutions effectively, including frameworks for tracking progress, aligning actions, and scaling up impact.
- **Technical implementation:** Initiatives that provide technical support and guidance to help actors implement climate, biodiversity, and ecosystem restoration solutions on the ground, including project design, capacity support, and coordination across sectors and stakeholders.



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