

International Pre-COP25 Conference

Ready for COP25: Ways towards inclusive NDC implementation

Time and Location 08th Oct 2019 at Sheraton hotel, K5, 11 Xuan Dieu Road, Tay Ho, Ha Noi

Delegates: around 90 participants from Ministries, Embassies, Development Partners, Institutes and Universities, Experts, Media and Civil Society Organizations

Background

Since COP 21, countries have been invited to confirm these intentions by ratifying the Paris Agreement and submitting Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the UNFCCC. In the future, countries will be required to submit updated and more ambitious NDCs every five years. Therefore, currently Government of Vietnam has been working actively on NDC revision process to submit the new version at COP26.

Notably, implementing NDCs can support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) across all sectors and levels of government. The implementation of NDCs can also support other, related international frameworks and agreements, such as the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030 or Gender Action Plan (GAP).

The GAP, created under the Lima work program on gender, seeks to advance women's full, equal, and meaningful participation and promotes gender-responsive climate policy as well as the mainstreaming of a gender perspective in the implementation of the Convention and work of Parties, the secretariat, United Nations entities and all stakeholders at all levels. Many of the activities in the GAP have been the subject of action by a variety of relevant organizations and will continue to require further action beyond the time frame of the plan.

In Vietnam, the Climate Change Working Group (CCWG) has been advocating the engagement of CSOs in the NDC towards the inclusive progress at booth revision and implementation. Therefore, with coordination and support from Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), CCWG will organize an international conference titled: **“Ready for COP25: Ways towards inclusive NDC implementation”**.

Objectives

The overall objective is *to enhance the engagement of civil society organizations with the Vietnamese government in NDC revision progress in order to assist the government in achieving its Paris Agreement commitment.*

The specific objectives are:

- To share the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) revision progress from government,
- To introduce the COP25 topics and major priorities from government and CCWG,
- To present CCWG members' works and results about gender sector as the cross-cutting issues for NDC revision and Paris Agreement implementation at global and national level,
- To present key recommendations to promote gender equality and social inclusion in mitigation and adaptation measures of Vietnam towards the inclusive NDC revision in Vietnam.

Tentative agenda

| Time | Content | Speaker |
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| 08:00 – 08:30 | Registration | |
| 08:30 – 08:50 | Opening Remarks (7 minutes each) | <p>Ambassador of the Embassy of Chile in Vietnam (tbc)</p> <p>Mr. Pham Van Tan (tbc) Deputy Director of Department of Climate Change, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment</p> <p>Ms. Yvonne Blos Director of the Climate Change project, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Vietnam</p> |
| 08:50 – 09:20 | <p>Update the NDC revision progress: current status and on-going plan</p> <p>Q&A: 10 minutes</p> | Ms. Chu Thanh Huong, Department of Climate Change (DCC), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE) (tbc) |
| 09:20 – 09:50 | What comes next: Key topics at COP25 topics and gender negotiation (GAP) | Ms. Gotelind Alber Board of Directors, GenderCC - Women for Climate Justice |
| 09:50 – 10:10 | CCWG's works on Gender and Recommendations on Gender integration into NDC | CCWG UNWomen |
| 10:10 – 10:30 | Tea break | |
| 10:30 – 11:10 | Case studies about CC and gender | CCWG members |
| 11:10 – 12:10 | Panel discussion: Implementing the Paris Agreement in a gender sensitive manner – current trends and challenges in Vietnam and lessons learned from the global level | Ms. Gotelind Alber Representative from DCC, UN Women, members of CCWG |
| 12:10 – 12:20 | Closing remarks | Representative from CCWG |
| 12:20 – 14:00 | Lunch at Sheraton Hotel | |