



THE PARIS AGREEMENT

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AS IT COMES INTO FORCE

WHAT IS AT STAKE FOR AFRICA?



WHERE WE CURRENTLY STAND:

61 COUNTRIES THAT CONTRIBUTE 47.79% OF GLOBAL EMISSIONS HAVE ALREADY RATIFIED THE AGREEMENT

29TH SEPT, 2016

TARGET:

55 COUNTRIES ACCOUNTING FOR 55% OF GLOBAL EMISSIONS



KEY FINDINGS OF ANALYSIS OF AFRICAN INDCS

- ❖ Most African INDCs **ARE VAGUE** in their mitigation ambitions and adaptation aspirations

- ❖ Most countries failed to provide **COST** estimates for achieving their adaptation and mitigation goals
 - ❖ Others failed to identify **SOURCES** of funding (conditional/unconditional/private/public) for both mitigation and adaptation

- ❖ Some of the African countries pledged emission reduction commitments despite not having **UP TO DATE** National GHGs emissions records
 - ❖ Others pledged mitigation commitments that **EXCEED** their current level of emissions

- ❖ There is **INCOHERENCE** between some of the INDCs and National development plans and Visions



WAY FORWARD: REVISE! REVISE! REVISE! INDC

I. **BEFORE** ratifying

or

II. **BEFORE** it enters into **FORCE** (For Those Who have not Ratified Already).



RATIONALE FOR REVISING

In accordance with decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 22,

“If a Party has communicated an intended nationally determined contribution (INDC) prior to joining the Agreement, then its INDC shall be considered the Party’s first NDC under the Agreement **UNLESS** that Party decides otherwise. A Party has the **OPPORTUNITY** to **ENHANCE** its INDC by communicating a more ambitious NDC, if it so desires, **BEFORE** or when submitting its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession”



SOME TIPS FOR REVISION:

HEADSUP FOR INDC REVISION!!!

Article 4, Section 11 of the **PARIS AGREEMENT STATES:**

“A Party may at any time adjust its existing nationally determined contribution with a view to **ENHANCING** its level of ambition, in accordance with guidance adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement”.



SOME WAYS OF REVISING THE

1. **INDC** Revise to reflect short & long term National development plans and priorities
2. Provide clear and concise action or activities for both Mitigation and adaptation for every sector listed in the INDCs
3. Where possible, provide a rough estimate of the amount of funding required to implement the actions listed in the INDCs. **NB: remember to factor in inflation and other anticipated future costs**
4. Where costing is imprudent, avoid providing any estimate to elude under costing.
5. Highlight clearly the expected sources of finance (unconditional /conditional /public/private).
6. **Avoid** over-pledging domestic resources



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Rationale for Actions 1- 6 Above:

PARIS AGREEMENT: Article 4, Paragraph 8

“In communicating their nationally determined contributions, all Parties shall provide the information necessary for **clarity, transparency** and understanding in accordance with decision 1/CP.21 and any relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement.”



FAILURE TO REVISE!

In accordance with Article 21, paragraph 1, of the Paris Agreement,

“The Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date on which at least 55 Parties to the Convention accounting in total for at least an estimated 55 per cent of the total global greenhouse gas emissions have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Depository”

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THE END GOAL:

RATIFY

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