

Past and future milestones of the 2030 Agenda

Meeting of the Community of Practice for
Latin American and Caribbean countries
that present their Voluntary National Review

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- COP 26 delivered on its **primary goal of keeping alive the Paris Agreement’s aim to limit global warming to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels**. Nations agreed on the **Glasgow Climate Pact**, which states that **carbon emissions will have to fall by 45 percent by 2030**.
- Notable provisions include for the first-time language supporting a “**phase-down of unabated coal power**,” the single biggest source of global temperature rise; **new rules for trading carbon credits across borders**; and a **request for a yearly report summarizing nations’ annual commitments to reduce emissions**.
- **Over 100 nations pledged to cut 30 percent of their emissions of methane by 2030**. **More than 130 nations**, together possessing 90 percent of the world’s forests, **agreed to halt and then reverse deforestation by 2030**. **Over 450 financial institutions** overseeing \$130 trillion in assets promised to align their portfolios with the goal of **achieving net-zero emissions by 2050**.
- At margin of COP, the **US and China** agreed to **work together on climate** despite recent rifts in diplomatic relations.



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- Call for **strengthened multilateral approach (Mia Mottley, PM of Barbados)**
- **Accountability** remains a central challenge for global efforts to combat the climate crisis. There is concern that **pledges might not translate into action**, while **agreements in crucial areas fell short**. Despite the **historic call for a phase-down in coal power**, some coal-reliant countries have indicated that they will not stop using coal until 2040 or later.
- COP26 failed to make significant progress on **climate finance**. Poorer nations renewed their calls for financial help from richer nations to adapt to the effects of climate change, seeking a **loss-and-damage fund** for developed countries to compensate developing countries for areas irreparably harmed by climate impacts, which **was blocked by wealthier nations**. Instead, the pact includes a **promise for future dialogue about increased financial support and technical assistance to mitigate climate-related damage**.
- Hence, the Glasgow Climate Pact did not resolve the **funding challenge**. Although the **Adaptation Fund** established in 2001 to finance adaptation efforts in developing countries received 356 million USD in support at COP26, **funding levels remain inadequate and low**.



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- During a **side event** entitled “**Climate finance and trade to build resilience to climate change**”, the **Executive Secretary of ECLAC** called on the international community to work more and better to **close global asymmetries in financing and resilience to climate change**. While welcoming recent commitments on **curbing methane emissions; halting deforestation; financing cleaner energy infrastructure; and the internalization of climate risks** in financing institutions, including the **IMF**, more needs to be done.
- ECLAC urged to **redistribute global liquidity** to vulnerable countries, **reform the global debt architecture** and **support innovative instruments**, including **debt for climate swaps, a Caribbean Resilience Fund, hurricane clauses, a multilateral credit rating agency, international cooperation on green technologies, capacities and financing**, to enhance both **resilience** and the **green transition** of the economies of Latin America and the Caribbean.



30th General Assembly of the Forum of Ministers and High-Level Authorities on Housing and Urban Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (MINURVI) (22-23 November 2021, Cartagena, Colombia)

- The event addressed three thematic axes: **national urban policies, financing for housing, and urban development trends**. The event adapted initiatives for the **promotion of housing, urban development, attention to disaster risks and adaptation to climate change**, to the needs of **socio-economic reactivation in the post-pandemic context**, as well as to continue advancing in **the regional cooperation roadmap**, implementation of the **New Urban Agenda**, and compliance with the **2030 Agenda** for Sustainable Development and its **17 SDGS**.
- As next host country, **Chile** was elected. An **action plan** based on the **Cartagena Declaration** was announced. As part of the institutional strengthening, **ECLAC** and **UN Habitat** assumed the role of the **Technical Secretariat of MINURVI**. The collaboration with ECLAC was key to advance in the consolidation, structuring and operation of the **Urban Platform and Cities of Latin America and the Caribbean**.



36th session of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC

-Member States approved that ECLAC's 39th session will be presided by Argentina for the period 2022-2024.

-Member States approved ECLAC's programme of work for 2023 and reaffirmed the role of ECLAC as an essential component of the UN system, with a view to achieving sustainable development along its three dimensions-economic, social and environmental.

-Member States approved the change converting the Committee on South-South Cooperation into the Regional Conference on South-South Cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean.

-Presentation by ECLAC's Executive Secretary of the document "[An innovative financing for development agenda for the recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)".

-Specific session ECLAC-Costa Rica on the role of regional and national development banks.



36º periodo de sesiones del Comité Plenario de la CEPAL

-Los Estados miembros aprobaron que el 39º período de sesiones de la CEPAL será presidido por Argentina durante el periodo 2022-2024.

-Los Estados miembros aprobaron el programa de trabajo de la CEPAL para 2023 y reafirmaron el papel de la CEPAL como componente esencial del sistema de la ONU, con miras a lograr el desarrollo sostenible en sus tres dimensiones-económica, social y ambiental.

- Los Estados miembros aprobaron el cambio desde Comité de Cooperación Sur-Sur a Conferencia Regional sobre Cooperación Sur-Sur de América Latina y el Caribe.

- Presentación por la Secretaria Ejecutiva de la CEPAL del documento: "[Una agenda innovadora de financiamiento para el desarrollo para la recuperación de América Latina y el Caribe](#)".

-Sesión CEPAL-Costa Rica sobre el rol de los bancos regionales y nacionales de desarrollo.





-ECLAC presented the document [*Innovation for development: The key to a transformative recovery in Latin America and the Caribbean*](#)

-La CEPAL presentó el documento de posición [*Innovación para el desarrollo: la clave para una recuperación transformadora en América Latina y el Caribe*](#)

-Member States approved the biennial programme of cooperation activities for 2022–2023 on science, innovation and information and communications technologies;

-Los Estados Miembros aprobaron el programa bienal de actividades de cooperación en ciencia, innovación y tecnologías de la información y las comunicaciones 2022-2023;

-Member States approved the [*Buenos Aires Declaration*](#);

-Los Estados miembros aprobaron la [*Declaración de Buenos Aires*](#);

- New composition of the Executive Committee of the Conference for 2021-2023: Argentina as Chair; Costa Rica, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines as Vice-Chairs.

-Nueva composición del Comité Ejecutivo de la Conferencia 2021-2023: Argentina en la Presidencia; Costa Rica, Guatemala, México, Perú y San Vicente y las Granadinas en las Vicepresidencias.



Upcoming 2030 Agenda milestones/Hitos futuros de la Agenda 2030

Global level

- Sustainable Energy for All Forum (11 January 2022, Rwanda)
- World Economic Forum (17-21 January, Davos)
- ECOSOC Partnership Forum (2 February, NY)
- 66th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (14-25 March, NY)
- ECOSOC Youth Forum (19-20 April, NY)
- Economic and Social Council Forum on Financing for development (25-28 April, NY)
- UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15) 2nd part (25 April-8 May, China)
- UN Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI Forum) (5-6 May, NY)
- ECOSOC Operational activities for development segment (17-19 May, NY)
- UN Ocean Conference (27 June-1 July, Portugal)
- ... and the 10th session of the HLPF (5-15 July, New York)

Ámbito global

- Foro de energía sostenible para todos (11 de enero, Ruanda)
- Foro Económico Mundial (17-21 de enero, Davos)
- Foro de Alianzas del ECOSOC (2 de febrero, NY)
- 66a sesión de la Comisión de la Condición Jurídica y Social de la Mujer (14-25 de marzo, NY)
- Foro de la Juventud del ECOSOC (19-20 de abril, NY)
- Foro sobre Financiación para el Desarrollo del ECOSOC (25-28 de abril NY)
- Conferencia de la ONU sobre Biodiversidad (COP15, 2ª parte) (25 de abril-8 de mayo, China)
- Foro de múltiples interesados sobre la ciencia, la tecnología y la innovación en pro de los ODS (foro sobre CTI) (5-6 de mayo, NY)
- Segmento de Actividades Operacionales para el Desarrollo del ECOSOC (17-19 de mayo, NY)
- Conferencia sobre los Océanos de la ONU (27 junio-1 de julio, Portugal)
- ...10a sesión del Foro Político de Alto Nivel sobre Desarrollo Sostenible (5-15 de julio, NY)



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Regional level

-62nd meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in LAC (26-27 January, virtual)

-1st Conference of the Parties to the Escazú Agreement (20-22 April)

-5th meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (7-10 March, Costa Rica)/ Regional workshop on VNRs

-39th session of ECLAC (Argentina, dates TBC)

-4th meeting of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in LAC (June, dates TBC)

-15th Regional Conference on Women in LAC (Argentina, October, dates TBC)

Ámbito regional

-62a Reunión de la Mesa Directiva de la Conferencia Regional sobre la Mujer de ALC (26-27 de enero, virtual)

-1ª Conferencia de las Partes del Acuerdo de Escazú (20-22 de abril)

-5ª reunión del Foro de los Países de ALC sobre el Desarrollo Sostenible (7-10 de marzo, Costa Rica)/Taller regional sobre los Informes Nacionales Voluntarios

-39º período de sesiones de la CEPAL (Argentina, fechas por definir)

-4ª Reunión de la Conferencia Regional sobre Población y Desarrollo de ALC (Junio, fechas por definir)

-15ª Conferencia Regional sobre la Mujer de ALC (Argentina, octubre, fechas por definir)





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