

# Colombia



## NDC FACTS

### TARGET

**20% → 30%** Emission Reduction Below Business As Usual (BAU) by 2030

UNCONDITIONAL    CONDITIONAL

### MITIGATION SECTORS

Economy-wide (focused on AFOLU and Largest Energy Emitters)

### ADAPTATION SECTORS

Agriculture, Education, Energy, Environment, Health, Tourism, Transport, Urban, Water

### PARIS AGREEMENT RATIFICATION

Not Yet

### NDC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

In Preparation with Sectoral Focus

### SDG LINKAGES



## PROJECT INFORMATION

### PROJECT FUNDS

802,500 USD

### START DATE

Q1 2018

### END DATE

Q4 2019

### FOCUS AREAS

Political and Institutional frameworks, NDC Implementation Plan, Long-term Strategy, Private Sector

### GENDER WORKSTREAM

Yes

### NDC PARTNERSHIP MEMBER

Yes

### GOVERNMENT PARTNER

Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development

## DEVELOPMENT FACTS

### POPULATION

49.1M

### YOUTH UNDER AGE 15

23.5%

### GENDER INEQUALITY

0.727

### ACCESS TO ENERGY

100%

### GPD/CAPITA

5,806 USD

### POVERTY RATE

28%

### URBANIZATION

77%

### CLIMATE RISK

49/185

## CONTEXT AND OBJECTIVES

Colombia is committed to reducing its greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and transitioning to a low-carbon economy. The country aims to achieve carbon neutrality in the second half of the century, taking into account a just transition of the labor force and gender equality. Colombia is also in a post-conflict period, which will open up new opportunities for low-carbon development. In 2015, Colombia submitted an economy-wide Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC), pledging to unconditionally reduce its GHG emissions by 20% from business as usual (BAU) by 2030 to be increased to 30% from BAU by 2030, conditional on international support.

The NDC Support Programme will build on previous work under UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme, including support for Colombia's Low-Carbon Development Strategy, to assist the country in achieving its NDC. The program works to: translate sectoral mitigation action plans into implementation plans (including mitigation actions prioritized by ministries); strengthen the country's institutional capacities and define sectoral responsibilities; develop enabling measures; engage the private sector; and incorporate gender considerations into climate change management.

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## FOCUS AREAS

### Institutional Capacity and Enabling Environment

- Develop enabling policy/regulatory measures and strengthen institutional capacities to facilitate progress in meeting the goals of Colombia's NDC;
- Facilitate the systematic incorporation of a cross-cutting gender approach, mainly through the National System of Climate Change and the National Climate Change Policy.

### Implementation Plans for NDC Mitigation Component

- Support the formulation and approval of gender-responsive, sectoral mitigation implementation plans by five ministries to achieve Colombia's NDC mitigation target for 2030. This will be done in the context of the Inter-ministerial Committee on Climate Change, building on the Sectoral Mitigation Action Plans and promoting the adoption of NAMAs from the Low-Carbon Development Strategy portfolio.

### Long-term Climate Strategy – “2050 Strategy”

- Develop a roadmap for the construction and approval of a gender-responsive 2050 Strategy for climate change management;
- Prepare technical studies that analyze changes in technology, behavior and implementation of public policies to achieve the carbon neutrality by 2050.

### Private Sector Engagement

- Facilitate commitments from the private sector (unions and companies) to mitigate GHG emissions, monitored through a voluntary corporate reporting platform and linked to the national registry of emission reduction (RENARE).

## BUILDING BLOCKS

Colombia has strong institutional and regulatory frameworks in place that will contribute to successfully meeting Colombia's NDC goals. These include: the 2014-2018 National Development Plan; a National Climate Change Policy (2017); the National Climate Change System (SISCLIMA); the National Climate Change Adaptation Plan; structural tax reform (carbon tax); an upcoming climate change law; and the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Climate Change.

With support from the UNDP Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme, Colombia also developed a strong foundation for NDC implementation in the context of the country's Low Carbon Development Strategy and mainstreaming of the climate change agenda. Building blocks of this foundation include:

- Strengthened capacities of government ministries and improved inter-institutional coordination on climate change, including sectoral responsibilities for NDC implementation;
- The design and approval of eight Sectoral Mitigation Action Plans for transportation, energy, hydrocarbons, mining, industry, agriculture, housing, and waste;
- The development of a portfolio of 6 NAMAs for coffee, livestock, panels, logistics industry, non-interconnected zones (ZNI) and energy-efficient hotels;
- The creation of a Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) system;
- The development of departmental portfolios of mitigation measures.

## PARTNER INITIATIVES

The Programme links closely with other UN initiatives such as the **Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT)**, **UN-REDD**, **National Communications/Biennial Update Reports**, and **National Adaptation Plan** support. Other links include connections to key projects implemented by **GIZ** (NDC accounting, information matters, and NDC implementation support) and the **World Resources Institute (WRI)** (measurement and performance tracking). Colombia is also a member of the **NDC Partnership**.

At the global level, the Programme is engaged in a range of strategic partnerships, including the **IKI NDC Support Cluster**. Colombia is a member of the **NDC Partnership**.

## NDC SUPPORT PROGRAMME

The UNDP NDC Support Programme works directly with 25 countries and more than 1 billion inhabitants to advance the implementation of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. With a specific focus on Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), we work with countries to strengthen their capacities for governance, planning, financing, transparency and private sector engagement. The Programme, which works in contribution to the NDC Partnership, is funded by the European Union and the Governments of Germany and Spain.