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Insights from COP27 Evolving Norms and Work Programmes

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"Implementation COP" with a Full Agenda



Adaptation

- Global goal
- Finance implementation

Finance

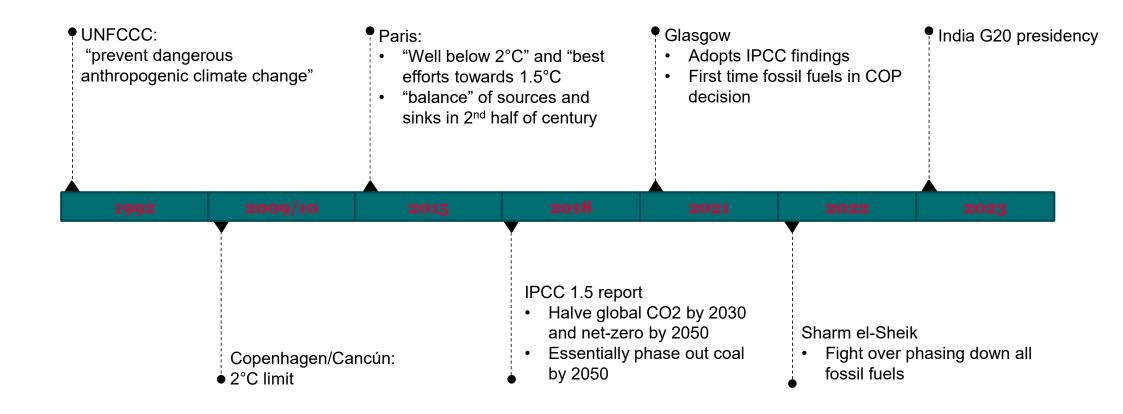
- Missing 100bn goal
- New quantified global goal
- "Bridgetown Initiative": reform of entire global financial system
- Fund for loss and damage
- and many other sub-topics

Mitigation

- Cover decision
- Work programme to enhance mitigation ambition and implementation
- Full operationalisation of Article 6
- Global Stocktake
- Breakthrough Agenda

Evolving Norms





Acceleration of the NDC Cycle



• PA:

- new or updated NDCs every five years
- May strengthen NDCs at every time

• But "ratchet" insufficient

- Currently stabilisation instead of halving emissions by 2030
- NDCs due in 2025 are for post-2030 i.e. too late

→ Glasgow:

- UK pushed for strengthened NDCs by Glasgow
- Call to strengthen NDCs by end of 2022, repeated in Sharm el-Sheikh
- New work programme to strengthen ambition and implementation "in this critical decade"
- → From "may strengthen NDCs at any time" to "should strengthen NDCs and implementation all the time"

Mitigation Work Programme



- Key Key to claim that Glasgow "kept 1.5 alive"
- EU, many other OECD and some developing country groups wanted sectoral perspective
- Aim to further refine the signals, e.g. sectoral benchmarks, roadmaps, PAMs and best practices
- But LMDCs fear of imposition of new commitments
- Outcome: "broad scope", inventory sectors and thematic areas of IPCC WG3
- Co-facilitators have discretion to set topics
- Coupling with "investment-focused events"

From Norms to Practice?



- Germany/EU demanded strong mitigation outcome
- But at same time
 - Expanding (infrastructure for) LNG imports
 - E.g. new deal with Qatar ca. 3% of current gas demand annually from 2026 to at least 2041 no help in short term and hardly compatible with legal target of climate neutrality by 2045
 - Weakening of Glasgow pledge to stop international fossil finance



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