

NDC-TIA Learning Journey

A collection of shared stocktaking and peer learning gatherings



Achieving the Paris Agreement objective of limiting global temperature increases to $< 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ will require drastic reductions in carbon emissions from all sectors, including transport, which accounted for approximately 37% of CO_2 emissions from end-use sectors in 2021. While guaranteeing accessibility, the avoidance of unnecessary motorised trips, the shifting of significant volumes of passenger and freight transport to sustainable, low-carbon modes deployment of new and emerging low- and zero-emissions; and the deployment of low- and zero carbon technologies across all transport modes, must be urgently accelerated and scaled-up to achieve this goal.

The Asia-Pacific region is home to some of the fastest growing economies; thus, it is imperative to support these emerging economies in scaling-up clean and sustainable mobility technologies. Significant progress can be made through peer learning and by working cooperatively across the region.

The NDC Transport Initiative for Asia (NDC-TIA) aims to facilitate a paradigm shift to zero-emission transport across Asia by supporting the development of comprehensive decarbonization strategies and solutions to implement them. Beyond the three partner countries (China, India, Vietnam), on the regional and global level, the program will maximise impact by reaching out to additional countries in Southeast Asia, sharing lessons learned, increasing discourse on decarbonizing transport and promoting efficient, multi-stakeholder approaches coordinated between government ministries, civil society, and the private sector. Key takeaways of these lessons learnt will culminate in the project's forthcoming joint knowledge report launching in October 2023.

The NDC Transport Initiative for Asia is a joint program of seven organisations (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities, International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT), International Transport Forum (ITF), Agora Verkehrswende (AGORA), Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport (SLOCAT Partnership) and Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century (REN21) funded by the International Climate Initiative (IKI), working under the leadership of the Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Actions (BMWK) and in close cooperation with its founder, the Federal Ministry of Environment and the Federal Foreign Office.

The NDC-TIA Learning Journey seeks to facilitate peer learning and knowledge transfer with the goal of moving from shared problems to a commonality of policy, finance and technical solutions for transport sustainability and decarbonisation based on the experience of the NDC-TIA partner countries.

The Learning Journey is conceived as a collection of different while complementary gatherings, culminating at NDC-TIA's final conference in June 2024. Colleagues from the three NDC-TIA partner countries, and the wider NDC-TIA consortium; as well as local stakeholders, decision-makers, and peer-experts from the region and, potentially, from other Low- and Middle-Income Countries are the target participants of the NDC-TIA Learning Journey.

This collection of events are a testament to the shared commitment to sustainable mobility, enabling stakeholders to collaborate, and drive lasting transformations. Entities in the NDC-TIA consortium and in partner countries are invited to share the trajectory of the Learning Journey.

Catalysing Action: Kick-off Virtual Roundtable

7 - 9 November 2023

Virtual | Organised by SLOCAT Partnership in collaboration with GIZ

This virtual Roundtable will bring together the NDC-TIA country partners to provide Vietnam with valuable insights and knowledge for moving from policy to practice with the context of their EV policy submission in October 2023. The event aims to facilitate the exchange of best practices and initiatives that have been successful in promoting the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs); and to brainstorm and share ideas on policies that could accelerate implementation in Vietnam to promote the uptake of EVs and regulations; as well as in China and India. The event will enable the country partners to gain insights and recommendations from each other that can be used to develop/improve effective policies to electric mobility.

Virtual Dialogues: Webinar Series

April - May 2024

Virtual | Organised by SLOCAT Partnership in collaboration with the NDC-TIA consortium

Organised by SLOCAT Partnership in collaboration with the NDC-TIA consortium. The Virtual Dialogues webinar series will provide a platform for experts within the NDC-TIA consortium and adjacent networks to present and exchange innovative solutions to transport decarbonisation. ****Topics and dates upon consultation with the consortium****

Empowering Through Knowledge: Launch of the NDC-TIA Joint Knowledge Product November 2023

Visioning to Implementation: National Transport Decarbonization Policies that Match Climate Targets in China, India, and Vietnam

Virtual | Organised by WRI and GIZ, in collaboration with the NDC-TIA consortium.

The new NDC-TIA report assesses how three Asian countries - China, India, and Vietnam - are translating their international climate ambition included in their nationally determined contributions (NDCs) and long-term strategies (LTSs) into national climate change related transport strategies and policies.

Asia-Pacific Voices Towards COP28 - A Blog Series by SLOCAT

September - November 2023

Virtual | Organised by SLOCAT Partnership

Echoing the [African Voices Towards COP27](#) blog series, this series will feature a wide range of local professionals, experts and change makers to elevate voices from Asia and the Pacific who are seeking to tackle transport and mobility challenges with context-adapted and cost-effective solutions. Collectively, these blogs present a multi-stakeholder space for peers to exchange, learn from one other and explore opportunities for collaboration towards COP28 and beyond. [Key messages video](#)

Asia Pacific Climate Week

Johor Bahru | 13 - 17 November 2023

In-person | Organised by the UNFCCC

Asia Pacific Climate Week will discuss climate solutions ahead of COP28 providing a platform for policymakers, practitioners, businesses and civil society to exchange on climate solutions, barriers to overcome and opportunities realised in different regions. GIZ and SLOCAT in collaboration with the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) will showcase key findings from transport decarbonisation efforts in the region as a part of work in the official track 2 (Cities, urban and rural settlement, infrastructure and transport) to inform the global stocktake.

Global Stage: UN Climate Change Conference COP28

Dubai | 30 November - 12 December 2023

In-person | Organised by the UNFCCC and UAE COP28 Presidency

The 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will be held from 30 November - 12 December 2023. Transport is included in the official thematic programme for 6 December, with connections to finance, energy, just transition and urbanisation on the 4 and 5 December. This will provide an opportunity to showcase the work being done in the Asia region (e.g. NDC-TIA and the GCAP LGCTA) in informing the Global Stocktake and next round of NDCs.

NDC-TIA Final Conference

Bangkok | 26 - 27 June 2024

In-person / hybrid (TBC)

The conference will provide an opportunity to showcase the results of the NDC Transport Initiative in Asia; consolidating messages to the global level and discuss future directions for decarbonising transport in the region. More information to come soon!

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