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‘Coordinated, comparable and transparent reporting and verification of actions by all actors is essential to clarify effects and possible overlaps. This would also help in gaining recognition of ambitious action, and facilitate replication.’

UN Environment's Emissions Gap Report 2017

The Paris Agreement calls upon non-state actors, including cities, regions, businesses and others to scale up their climate action. The potential is considerable: studies estimate that non-state actors' actions will reduce the emissions gap with a few gigatonne of CO₂eq by 2030.

As their importance increases, it is necessary to showcase good examples and create a good monitoring system of their impact.

The Climate Initiatives Platform enables cooperative climate initiatives to register their action and to showcase their ambition and progress to the world. So far, this online platform has brought together more than 200 important cooperative climate initiatives driven by non-state actors. For each initiative more than 50 data points are provided, including on focus, goals, activities, participants and how to join. A separate section features information on monitoring, progress and impacts. With this it has become the most complete public source of information on cooperative non-state climate action.

Climate Initiatives Platform

The information on the Platform is open to all and easily accessible through a simple search and download function. Initiatives are able to update their own content on the Platform, and all the data are verified by the hosts to ensure accuracy.

Data from the Climate Initiatives Platform have been utilized in past Emissions Gap Reports with the aim of assessing the potential and impact of non-state climate initiatives. Through these activities UN Environment supports the Marrakech Partnership, which also seeks to track real progress and report achievements rather than merely providing a podium for future ambitions.

UN Environment coordinates its efforts in this area with the UNFCCC on a continuous basis.

The data on cooperative climate initiatives on UNFCCC's NAZCA platform are provided by the Climate Initiatives Platform.



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