



The Netherlands' Global Climate Strategy

Your partner in implementing Paris, Glasgow and Sharm el-Sheikh

Implementation is key to delivering on the UNFCCC outcome documents. The window of opportunity is closing fast, both for keeping global warming below 1.5°C and for building resilience. In view of the three concurrent crises facing our planet, the Netherlands is stepping up its efforts with a whole-of-government global climate strategy. We are increasing our climate finance and our sharing of expertise and technology, strengthening our green instruments and operations, enhancing our climate diplomacy and setting an example by raising our national reduction targets.

Adaptation

The Netherlands is helping to reduce climate change vulnerability worldwide, strengthening the adaptive capacity of people and ecosystems and increasing their climate resilience.



In line with the Glasgow Climate Pact, we will double our adaptation finance and continue to allocate more than half of our public climate funding to adaptation.



We will be co-hosting the UN 2023 Water Conference to scale up successes, create water management innovations and set an agenda beyond 2030.



We will provide an additional EUR 250 million until 2025 to increase access to food in climate-vulnerable regions. We will strengthen synergies between water, energy and food.



We will share Dutch knowledge and expertise on the adaptation policy cycle, water management and climate-smart food production, with a view to enhancing global implementation of adaptation measures and partnering with other countries for systemic change.

Loss and damage

The Netherlands is supporting poor and vulnerable people and communities, so that they will be better equipped to deal with the increasing risk of loss and damage due to climate change.



We will increase our support to disaster preparedness, with a focus on universally available early warning systems and capacity to act. We will provide more and better pre-arranged finance against disasters. We will continue to work on inclusive sustainable development and good governance.

Mitigation

The Netherlands is helping to accelerate the global transition to a net-zero circular economy by 2050. It works as a partner in developing green solutions, with a focus on energy, sustainable transport and mobility, agriculture and land use.



After signing the Glasgow Climate Pact, the Netherlands raised its national target for 2030 to a carbon emissions reduction of at least 55%. To be certain of achieving this goal, Dutch policy is pursuing a 60% reduction in carbon emissions.



We are partnering with other countries to support net-zero pathways and to strengthen clean energy import chains, in particular green hydrogen. We will provide 100 million people in developing countries with access to renewable energy by 2030.



We are speeding up the global transition to zero-emission transport and mobility. We are promoting active mobility and cycling, as well as supporting zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles. We are investing in sustainable aviation and climate-neutral shipping by 2050.



We seek to work with public authorities, knowledge institutions, environmental organisations, industry, trade unions, financial institutions and other civil society organisations in developing smarter and more efficient ways of using materials and reducing global consumption of primary raw materials.



We are doubling our financial contribution to stopping deforestation in three major tropical rainforest regions and to the preservation of international biodiversity. We are helping production countries create deforestation-free value chains.

Finance

The Netherlands is accelerating the climate and energy transition worldwide by increasing public climate finance and mobilising more private finance for climate action and adaptation.



We will increase our climate finance by more than EUR 0.5 billion a year, contributing a total of at least EUR 1.8 billion to the USD 100 billion target in 2025.



We will develop new financial instruments to mobilise more private capital for climate action in developing countries. We will focus on adaptation and on a sufficient pipeline of bankable projects.



We are a partner for the clean energy transition. We are substantially increasing our financial support for renewable energy and energy efficiency, and phasing out our international public support for the unabated fossil fuel sector by the end of 2022.



We want to strengthen incentives for sustainable investment, combat greenwashing and ensure that financial institutions make climate risks and climate impact transparent, reporting on and integrating them into their broad policy.

Guiding principles:



multistakeholder approach



equity and inclusion



youth and gender



evidence and innovation



nature-based solutions



locally led

