Reporting NDCs and LT-LEDS according to the Paris Agreement and the Katowice Rulebook

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Submission of NDCs and LT-LEDS under the Paris Agreement

Paris Agreement, Katowice Climate Package, Chile Madrid Time for Action

- Communication of NDCs in 2020:
  - Parties that have not yet communicated their NDCs, to do so
  - Parties whose INDC with a **time frame up to 2025** to communicate by 2020 a **new NDC** and to do so every five years thereafter
  - Parties whose INDC with a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 the contribution and to do so every five years thereafter
- All submitted NDCs at the interim registry <u>https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NDCStaging/Pages/All.aspx</u>
- The secretariat is requested to prepare an NDC synthesis report for COP 26 (publication of initial version on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021, an update closer to COP26)
- All Parties are invited to communicate long-term low emission development strategies, by 2020
  - Submission to <u>LT-LEDS@unfccc.int</u>
  - Published at <u>https://unfccc.int/process/the-paris-agreement/long-term-strategies</u>
- Parties are urged to consider the significant emission gap between the aggregate effect of Parties' mitigation efforts in and aggregate emission pathways consistent with 2/1.5°C, when preparing their 2020 NDCs.



Key provisions for NDCs and LT-LEDS under the Paris Agreement

# **NDCs**

- It is <u>mandatory</u> for each Party to prepare, communicate and maintain a successive NDC that it intends to achieve.
- NDCs will be submitted every 5 years, where each new NDC will present a progression and reflect highest possible ambition.
- Parties to follow guidance on ICTU and accounting for NDCs.
- Parties will report their progress in implementing and achieving their NDCs in their BTRs, in accordance with the MPGs under the ETF.
- Subsequent NDCs will be informed by the outcomes of the GST.

# **LT-LEDS**

- Preparation or communication of LT-LEDS are <u>not mandatory</u> for Parties.
- LT-LEDS are not an element in the context of the Global Stocktake or Enhanced Transparency Framework.
- LT-LEDS may reflect new information and recalibrate actions based on policy responses.

#### ICTU GUIDANCE (4/CMA.1)

1. Quantified information on the reference point, including, as appropriate, a base year

2. Time frames and/or periods for

implementation

3. Scope and coverage

4. Planning process

5. Assumptions and methodological

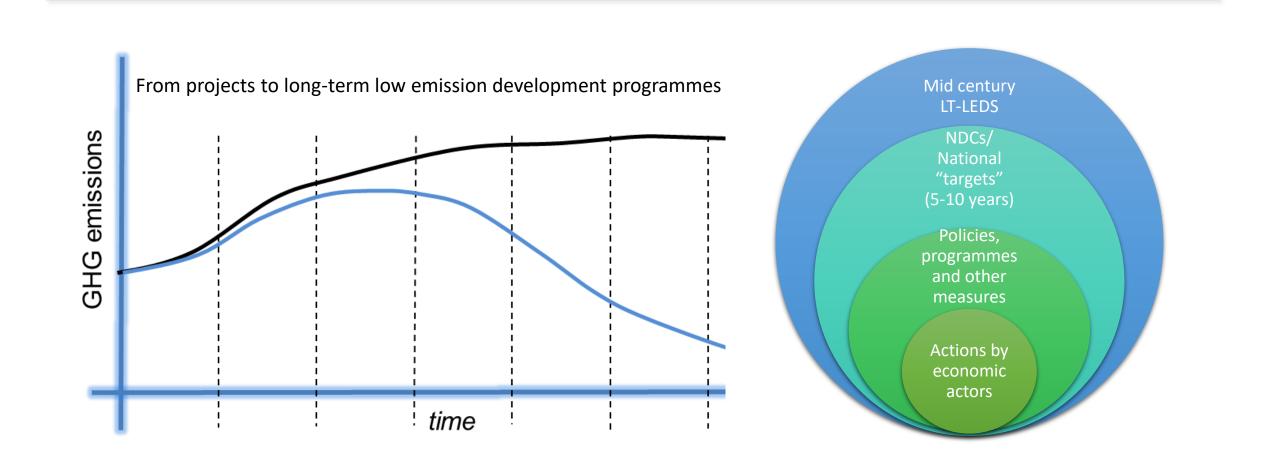
approaches, including those for estimating and accounting for anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions and, as appropriate, removals:

6. How the Party considers that its NDC is fair and ambitious in light of its national circumstances

7. How the NDC contributes towards achieving the objectives of the Convention as set out in its Article 2



## NDCs and LT-LEDS: domestic policy tools



# LT-LEDS: International and domestic aspects



#### **INTERNATIONAL**

- LT-LEDS part of Paris Agreement
- Contribute to affirming and assessing global ambition (pathways to "carbon neutrality")
- Align short-term objectives with long-term goals (i.e. using LT-LEDS to inform enhancement of NDCs)
- Strengthen global cooperation
- Dissemination of good practices and experiences

#### DOMESTIC

- Unpack long-term drivers of emissions, identify priority areas for investment
- Set a direction of travel to plan sectoral and policy transitions
- Integrate and align implementation of NDCs into long-term objectives and strategies
- Focus policy discussions with a quantified objective (peak, carbon neutrality)
- Strengthen coordination among different actors
- Assess risks and opportunities



# Current Status of NDCs and LT-LEDS



## NDC submissions

### *As of 15 October 2020;*

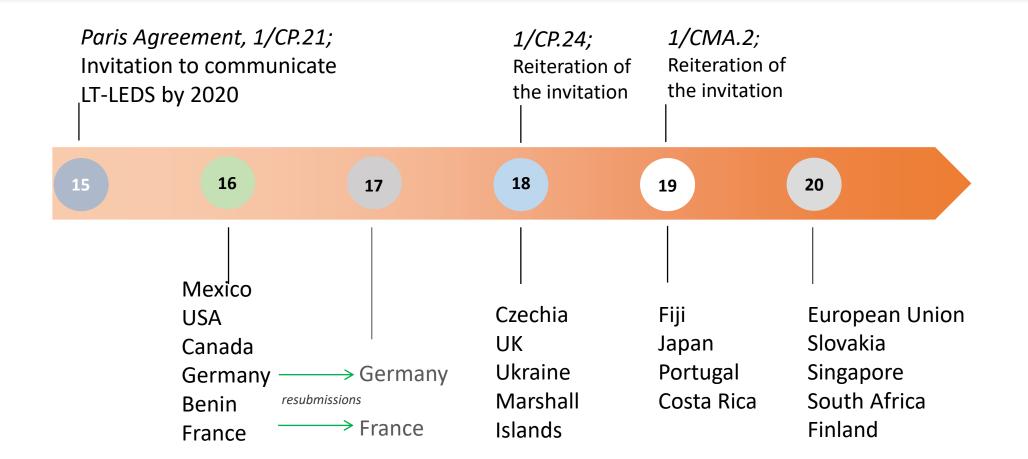
- 186 Parties submitted their 1<sup>st</sup> NDC
- 18 Parties submitted updated or new NDCs

New NDC (2)	<ul> <li>Marshall Islands, Suriname</li> </ul>
Updated NDC (14)	<ul> <li>Jamaica, Japan, Moldova, Norway, Singapore, Chile, Rwanda, Uruguay, Ecuador, DPR Korea, Viet Nam, Cuba, Andorra, Mongolia</li> </ul>
Addendum/ additional information (3)	<ul> <li>Switzerland, Zambia, New Zealand</li> </ul>

# LT-LEDS submissions

#### As of 15 October 2020;

#### • 19 LT-LEDS have been submitted



Key Remarks

- LT-LEDS provides the long term perspective to reach the goals of the Paris Agreement and towards a low carbon development pathway
- NDCs can provide concrete milestones towards low emissions pathways put forward by the LT-LEDS
- Aligning NDCs with LT-LEDS offers opportunities in terms of defining and prioritizing climate action
- An LT-LEDS will be a strong political signal for stakeholders and investors



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