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**COP26 CATALYST
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COP26 Catalyst: Presenting the action recommendations

Date: Tuesday 9 November

1615-1800 GMT

**Venue: The PCCB's Capacity Building Hub, Glasgow (Blue Zone 'D' – 1st floor)
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COP26 Catalyst at the COP26 in Glasgow

The COP26 Catalyst for Climate Action (COP26 Catalyst) is a UK COP26 Presidency-convened framework that brings together countries, programmes, projects and expertise on capacity building across four thematic areas: Adaptation Communications, Access to Finance, Carbon Markets Participation, and Transparency and Reporting.

The Paris Agreement provides a truly global framework for climate ambition and action. To unlock its full potential, it is important that all countries can participate to their maximum potential and that a lack of capacity does not hold them back.

In its role as the COP26 Presidency, the UK has been committed to better understanding the capacity-building challenges faced by developing countries, particularly those most vulnerable to climate impacts, and has convened stakeholders to share positive experiences and lessons learned during the UN Regional Climate Weeks (Latin America & the Caribbean; Asia Pacific; and Africa).

Session description

Members of each of the four Catalyst Action Groups will reflect on the main challenges faced by developing countries and will present the recommendations they have developed to reflect consultations with hundreds of global stakeholders in the capacity building process over the course of 2021.

The Action Recommendations aim to present practical solutions to some of the most pressing challenges, ensure the effective implementation of the Paris Agreement and catalyse climate action more widely.

AGENDA (Speakers confirmed unless marked with *)

1615	<p>Welcome and introduction</p> <p>The importance of capacity building to support developing countries achieve their ambitions and take action under the Paris Agreement.</p> <p>James Corre, Wilton Park, Secretariat for COP26 Catalyst for Climate Action</p>
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	<p>Roberta Ianna, Co-Chair, PCCB; Ministero della Transizione Ecologica, Italy</p> <p>Claire Holzer Fleming, UK COP26 Presidency</p>
1620	<p>1. Adaptation Action</p> <p>Outline of recommendations by members of the Action Group, followed by open discussion.</p> <p>Moderator: Robin Hart, Wilton Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anju Sharma, Lead, Locally-led Action, Global Center for Adaptation • Professor Mizan Khan, Deputy Director, ICCCAD, IUB, Bangladesh
1640	<p>2. Carbon Markets Participation</p> <p>Outline of recommendations by members of the Action Group, followed by open discussion.</p> <p>Moderator: Robin Hart, Wilton Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aglaja Espelage, Perspectives Climate Group • Bernice Van Bronkhorst, Global Director, Climate Change, World Bank
1705	<p>3. Access to Finance</p> <p>Outline of recommendations by members of the Action Group, followed by open discussion.</p> <p>Moderator: Nancy Lee, Wilton Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michai Robertson, Policy Officer, Department of Environment, Government of Antigua and Barbuda • Bertha Argueta, Policy Advisor, Climate Finance and Development, Germanwatch • Emana Nsikan-George, Climate Focus and Senior Consultant, West African Climate Alliance
1730	<p>4. Transparency and reporting</p> <p>Outline of recommendations by members of the Action Group, followed by open discussion.</p> <p>Moderator: James Corre, Wilton Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Awad Menassa, Climate Change Project Officer, Ministry of Environment, Government of Lebanon • Yamikani Idriss, Environmental Officer, Environmental Affairs Department, Government of Malawi

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henning Wuester, Director, United Nations Office for Project Services / Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (UNOPS / ICAT)
1750	5. Capacity building: reflections on the recommendations
1800-1930	Drinks reception, including speeches and Partner announcements