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Global Cooling Pledge Signatories Focal Points Meeting

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Session 4

Intergovernmental Committee on Cooling (IGCC)



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Session Opening

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Presentation

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Transitioning to IGCC

- **'Contact Group**' set up in September 2023, to negotiate the Pledge text, Pledge launched at COP28
- In 2024, continued to lead governance: GCP Implementation Strategy/COP29
- Signatory countries expressed interest in a more inclusive governance framework.
- In response, COP28 UAE proposed transitioning the Contact Group to an Intergovernmental Committee on Cooling (IGCC).
- At the COP29 Annual Ministerial Meeting, countries welcomed the proposal of the Co-Chair (UAE) on the establishment of the IGCC, with Brazil appointed as the Co-Chair.

1 Interest	2 Proposal	3 Development of ToR	2 Adoption
Signatories seek	UAE proposes	Countries agree on	Countries adopt the IGCC at COP30
inclusive governance	IGCC transition	IGCC establishment	



IGCC: Governance Body

- IGCC primary governance body for the GCP.
- Builds on Contact Group

- **Expands** the existing governance structure
- Inclusive engagement of all Signatories

Inclusive Engagement

Extending the Contact Group to engage all Pledge Signatories

Facilitating Implementation

Track, report, and support progress and implementation of the GCP

Co-Chaired Leadership

Led by the UAE and Brazil initially, as the COP28 and COP30 Presidencies





IGCC Terms of Reference (ToR)

- 1. Definitions
- 2. Context and mandate
- 3. Governance structure
- 4. Institutional structure
- 5. Review and modifications
- 6. Working language
- 7. Documentation handling and storage
- 8. Confidentiality and communications
- 9. Extrabudgetary resources

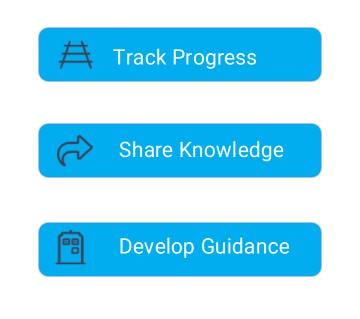




Governance structure: members and observers

The IGCC facilitates GCP implementation by

- Tracking progress and implementation
- Facilitating knowledge exchange
- Providing policy support
- Setting priorities
- Implementing outreach activities
- Proposing new commitments to the Pledge as relevant
- Catalyzing private engagement and investment





Governance structure: Co-Chairs and Secretariat

- Initially co-chaired by the UAE (COP28) and Brazil (COP30)
- Transitioning to either a nominated-based process or elected model for Co-Chairs post-COP30
- UNEP Cool Coalition Secretariat manages day-to-day operations and coordination

Co-Chairs



Lead priorities and collaboration

Call for Meetings and expansion of members

Host or Facilitate Annual Focal Point Meetings.

GCP Secretariat

Manages logistics and administrative operations.

Supports implementation - progress and tracking of the Pledge,

technical policy briefs etc.

Coordination of annual meetings.



Meetings and decision-making

- The IGCC holds the IGCC Annual Ministerial/High-level Meeting on the Global Cooling Pledge and bi-annual Focal Point meetings.
- "Reserved Business" sessions are possible upon Signatory request.
- Observer States and Non-State do not participate in decision-making. Subnational Signatories may be invited to participate in decision making as decided by National Pledge Signatories and Co-Chairs of the IGCC.







Meetings and decision-making





IGCC timeline

- Mid-July (by 17 July): Receive feedback from countries
- Early September (by 10 September): Share revised IGCC Terms of Reference with countries
- November: IGCC adopted at COP30 High-Level Ministerial Roundtable
- January 2026: IGCC becomes operational





Open discussion

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