



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.



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



Track Progress



Share Knowledge



Develop Guidance

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

UNFCCC - COP

Annual Ministerial Meetings at COPs as per Pledge's commitments

- Endorses IGCC recommendations and common statements
- Adopt strategic priorities and direction for Pledge implementation
- Launch initiatives (Programmatic, financial, multi-lateral etc.)
- Adopt annual Progress Report; highlighting progress and gaps
- Welcome incoming Co-Chairs
- Announcement of new-Signatories

Virtual Teams Meetings and In-person

Bi-Annual Focal Point Meetings

- Share best practices, and policy successes
- Track progress on commitments
- Capacity building and technical trainings
- Identify common priorities
- Governance decisions and amendments



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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Moderators:



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Thank you!

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