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Welcome to the July Issue of our multilingual *Parliamentarians@COP30* newsletter, prepared by <u>GLOBE Legislators</u> serving as the <u>UNFCCC Focal Point</u> for the world's parliamentary constituency. Our work supports legislators to deliver on their Paris Agreement (and related) climate commitments, and to prepare for and engage effectively at COP30.

This year, GLOBE has added another language—Portuguese— to the newsletters to facilitate engagement by legislators from Brazil, the host of COP30. The newsletters are now available in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.

We are proud to work closely with the **COP28-COP29-COP30 Presidencies**, now brought together as the first such Troika, to better coordinate across the Presidencies and support Mission 1.5C.

Our focus is on ensuring that the global parliamentary constituency is well-informed and supported to engage in the UNFCCC process, COP30 and related international fora. Tune in for in-depth updates at our **monthly Webinars** for the Parliamentary constituency (details below) and our bi-monthly newsletters.

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At COP29, we once again hosted the Parliamentary Pavilion. Most of the events at the Parliamentary Pavilion were livestreamed and the videos for 35 events can be viewed directly on the Parliamentary Pavilion playlist here. Photos from the Pavilion events can be viewed on Flickr here.

UN/COP30 Presidency Updates

COP30 Presidency Releases Fourth Letter to Parties



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The Brazilian COP30 Presidency has released a fourth letter to the international community calling all Parties and stakeholders to stay committed to the spirit of collective effort (Global Mutirão). It noted that while some progress has been achieved, the world is still off track towards achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement, adding that the incoming Presidency is working to ensure that the COP30 action agenda contributes to putting into practice what has been agreed so far. More here

COP30 Action Agenda Launched



Image credit: COP30

The COP30 Action Agenda has been launched by the COP30 Presidency. The launch which took place during SB62 in Bonn had in attendance the COP30 President-designate, Ambassador André Aranha Corrêa do Lago, COP30 Executive

Director, Ana Toni, and the two Climate High-Level Champions, Nigar Arpadarai (COP29) and Dan loschpe (COP30). The COP30 Action Agenda is structured around six key axes namely: transitioning energy, industry, and transport; stewarding forests, oceans, and biodiversity; transforming agriculture and food systems; building resilience for cities, infrastructure, and water; fostering human and social development; and cross-cutting enablers and accelerators. More here.

High-Level Champions Write to Parties and Non-State Actors

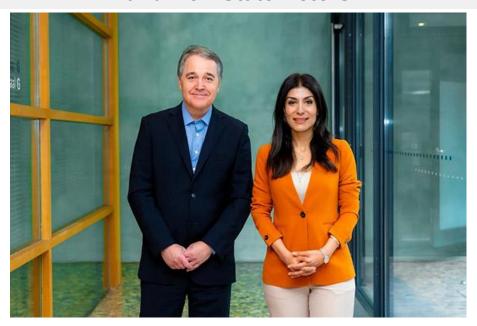


Image credit: Climate Champions

In a letter to Parties and non-State actors, the UNFCCC High-Level Champions for COP29, Ms. Nigar Arpadarai and COP30, Mr. Dan loschpe, launched a consultative process to guide the next five years of the Global Climate Action Agenda (GCAA). They also unveiled the 2025 High-Level Champions and Marrakech Partnership Work Programme designed to advance the COP30 Presidency's climate action priorities. More here

SB62 Sets the Pace for COP30



Image credit: Carbon Brief

The 62nd session of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies took place in Bonn, Germany, from 16-26 June 2025. Always the halfway point between UNFCCC COPs, the Bonn Conference as it is called, is strategic in addressing unresolved issues from the previous COP and setting the tone for the next one. While SB62 revealed that there are still cracks and trust issues, it laid the foundation for further discussions in Brazil, with the COP30 Presidency focused more on implementation than further commitments.

Fossil Fuel Sabotaging Economies – UN Secretary General



Image credit: COP30

The Secretary General of the United Nations, António Guterres, has stated that countries still dependent on fossil fuel as their major energy source are sabotaging their economies. Guterres stated this on 22 July, 2025. Citing data from the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), Guterres explained that global investments in renewables are trumping investments in fossil fuels hence countries must key in. More here.

COP29 Presidency Convenes Heads of Delegation Retreat



Image credit: COP29/YouTube

The COP29 Presidency convened a Heads of Delegations Retreat at Shamakhi, Azerbaijan on 23-24 July, 2025. The retreat which brought together delegation heads of negotiating parties sought to further discussions on the Baku to Belém \$1.3 Trillion Roadmap, address critical negotiation points such as the UAE Dialogue on the Global Stocktake, the UAE Just Transition Work Programme, and the Global Goal on Adaptation.

UNFCCC Launches Report on Integrating Just Transition into Climate Policies



Image credit: EnvironNews

UN Climate Change Secretariat and the Katowice Committee of Experts (KCI) has released a new technical report *Just Transitions in National Climate Frameworks and Climate Policies: Experiences in Alignment, Planning and Progress Tracking*, to guide Parties in embedding just transition principles into their climate strategies. The report introduces a four-dimension monitoring framework (distributional, procedural, restorative and recognition) to support accountability, and showcases best practices from high-emission sectors such as coal, oil and gas, and mobility. The report aims to help governments and private actors translate just transition commitments into concrete and measurable actions. More here

Brazil Works to Ensure Accommodation for all at COP30



Image credit: COP30

The Brazilian Federal Government through the COP30 Secretariat and the Brazilian Agency for International Tourism Promotion (Embratur), have taken concrete steps to secure adequate lodging in Belém to host the forthcoming COP30 in November, identifying over 30,000 rooms across hotels, private homes and re-purposed schools and universities. They have also finalized an agreement for two cruise ships to serve as temporary accommodations. This initiative will significantly increase lodging capacity by providing approximately 3,900 cabins and 6,000 beds. These measures form part of a broader federal strategy to scale accommodation and prevent price gouging. More here

Global Updates

Agreement to Establish Science Policy Panel Reached



Image credit: Green Collar Blog

A new global science-policy panel has been established by countries, as part of efforts to support the management of chemicals, wastes and pollution. This was announced on 20 June at a United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) led meeting in Uruguay. The panel aims to bridge the gap between scientific research and policy-making by providing policymakers with robust, independent scientific information on chemicals, waste and pollution prevention. This panel will sit alongside the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), to ensure that all pillars of the triple planetary crisis of climate change, nature and biodiversity loss, and pollution and waste have a dedicated global science-policy interface. Operationalisation of the panel is expected next. More here

Brazil Convenes CSOs for COP30 Finance Circle Agenda



Image credit: COP30

COP30 Presidency, Brazil, has convened a second meeting of Finance Ministers with Civil society on the COP30 Finance Circle Agenda. The virtual meeting took place on 24 July, 2025. The COP30 Finance Circle Agenda seeks to "strengthen the role of finance ministries in shaping the global climate agenda. It also seeks to contribute to the development of the Baku-Belem Roadmap, which targets mobilizing at least USD 1.3 trillion in climate finance for developing countries by 2035." More here

UNOC Held in Nice, France



Image credit: Mongabay

The third United Nations Ocean Conference took place in Nice, France on 9-13 June, 2025, and was co-chaired by France and Costa Rica. Highlight of the conference include the ratification of the agreement on marine biodiversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction (BBNJ) nineteen countries; the declaration for a strong

and binding plastics treaty; the call for a moratorium on deep-sea mining; commitment by several countries to create marine protected areas (MPAs), among others. More here

IRENA Innovation Week 2025 Takes Place in Bonn



Image credit: IRENA

This year's IRENA Innovation Week took place on 11-13 June, in Bonn, Germany. The week had several plenaries with focus on a variety of themes including: digitalisation for the energy transition; the nexus between AI, youths, and renewable energy; innovation in infrastructure to triple renewable energy; among others. More here

London Climate Action Week Breaks Records



The 7th edition of London Climate Action Week (LCAW) took place from 21-29 June 2025 with a record-breaking 700+ events across the city, doubling the number from LCAW2024. Now the world's largest independent climate action festival, LCAW saw high-level engagement from the COP30 and COP29 leadership throughout the week. The Brazilian COP30 Presidency launched its Global Ethical Stocktake with Minister Marina Silva at Kew Gardens and showcased sustainable fashion from Amazonia at an eye-catching weeklong exhibition. The week saw diverse events showing *Mutirao* in action at iconic venues: from Buckingham Palace, the London

Stock Exchange and Piccadilly Circus, to Shakespeare's Globe theatre, local parks, and community centers. GLOBE Legislators once again organised the annual Student-MP Climate Surgery with London MPs. More at: www.londonclimateactionweek.org

Date and Venue Chosen for Africa Climate Week



The second regional Africa Climate Week is set to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 8 to 10 September, 2025, at the Addis International Convention Center. This biannual UNFCCC event aims to foster regional and global cooperation on climate change. This platform aims to provide a space for Parties, technical experts and non-Party stakeholders to share practical experiences, best practices and actionable solutions, with a strong focus on local solutions. More here

ICJ Issues Advisory on Climate Change and the Role of States



Image credit: Simon Stiell

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) on 23 July, 2025, provided its Advisory Opinion on the relationship between States, and climate change. Entitled **OBLIGATIONS OF STATES IN RESPECT OF CLIMATE CHANGE** the Advisory affirmed that it is part of the obligations of States to ensure the protection of the climate from anthropogenic emissions for now and the future generations; States' obligations are not limited to voluntary or negotiated treaty targets; States are responsible for harms caused due to climate change, etc. The implications of the ICJ Ruling for parliamentarians will be discussed at the <u>Pre COP30 Parliamentary Forum</u> at <u>Rio Climate Action Week</u> on 27th August 2025. Access the Advisory <u>here</u>.

Baku and Rio Climate Action Weeks Unveil Detailed Programmes



As preparations for the second edition of the Baku Climate Action Week (BCAW) and the inaugural Rio Climate Action Week (RCAW) gather momentum, organisers have unveiled detailed provisional programmes for the week. Both will have events engaging parliamentarians with RCAW hosting the **Pre-COP30 Parliamentary Forum** on 27th August.



BCAW2025 will take place from 29 September to 3 October, 2025 across different venues in Baku. Details here.

RCAW2025 will take place from 23-29 August, 2025 across different iconic venues in Rio de Janeiro. Details here.

New Campaign for UK–EU Cooperation on Energy, Climate & Environment Launched



Image credit: European Union UK

A coalition of leaders from across politics, industry and civil society under the European Movement UK, Chaired by former Green Party MP, Caroline Lucas, kicked off a nationwide campaign aimed at forging a dedicated UK–EU Energy, Climate and Environment Partnership. The launch event which took place at Broadway House in London, unveiled a new policy report entitled *A New Agenda for UK–EU Energy, Climate, and Environment Cooperation*. With the report's recommendations now public, European Movement UK is mobilizing supporters to ensure these proposals feature prominently at the next UK–EU summit. More here

ICCN Launches Important Toolkit, Seeks African MPs



The <u>International Climate Councils Network</u>— a growing network of climate councils with 25 expert bodies officially mandated to advise their governments on climate policy has launched a toolkit, '<u>How to Create a Climate Council</u>,' which aims to support governments to strengthen climate governance by creating climate advisory bodies in their own countries. The toolkit is packed with case studies from the ICCN's network and expert research, including <u>a video case study of the South</u>

African Presidential Climate Commission. ICCN's priority geography for 2025 is Africa, and they are looking to speak with African MPs and government officials about climate governance in their countries. The ICCN team will be attending the Africa Climate Summit in Addis Ababa in September and are keen to connect inperson there. Get in touch with isabella.page@climatecouncils.org to learn more.

Tracking Parliamentary Climate Actions

GLOBE & Partners to Host Pre-COP30 Parliamentary Forum & Governance Hub at RCAW



GLOBE Legislators, <u>Focal Point of the informal UNFCCC Parliamentary Group</u>, will be convening a Pre-COP30 Parliamentary Forum on 27 August, 2025, during the inaugural <u>Rio Climate Action Week</u> (RCAW). The hybrid Forum is being organised in partnership with <u>Plataforma CIPÓ</u>, <u>Clima de Política</u>, <u>OPCC</u>, and other leading regional networks and hosted by the <u>Municipal Chamber of Rio (Câmara Municipal)</u> (Câmara Municipal).



Furthermore, during RCAW, GLOBE will be co-hosting the Governance Hub at the Municipal Chamber of Rio (Câmara Municipal) in partnership with the Municipal Chamber of Rio.

More here

2nd Parliamentary Summit on Climate Change in Latin America & Caribbean to take place



The second Parliamentary Summit on Climate Change and Just Transition in Latin America and the Caribbean will take place on 6–7 August, 2025, at the National Congress in Brasília. Convened by the Parliamentary Observatory on Climate Change and Just Transition (OPCC), the event "aims to promote interparliamentary cooperation around the climate agenda and just transition, by creating spaces for dialogue on priority issues and identifying opportunities to align positions among Latin American and Caribbean parliamentarians in preparation for COP30. It will also seek to discuss strategies for green productive development and regional integration, with a focus on future transitions. OPCC is also collating signatures for a "Letter of Support for the COP30 Presidency" which will be formally presented to Ambassador André Corrêa do Lago during the opening session of the Summit. Please access the letter here and submit your signature.

Turkey Adopts Climate Change Law



Image credit: Daily Sabah

The Parliament of Türkiye has adopted the country's first Climate Change law. The law which establishes an Emissions Trading System will strengthen local and

national efforts at combating climate change and attaining the country's 2053 Net Zero Emission's target. More here

Global Renewables Congress Launches RE Champions



The Global Renewables Congress (GRC) has launched the Renewable Energy Champions series, a new initiative highlighting the vital role legislators play in driving the global transition to clean, affordable, and equitable energy. As the world faces mounting political and environmental challenges, it is more important than ever to recognise and support the leaders crafting the policies that turn climate goals into legislative action.

Through this series, they will be spotlighting the stories of Renewable Energy Champions, legislators

from around the world who are shaping a just energy transition. These are the individuals advocating for inclusive policies, overcoming implementation hurdles, and building cross-border connections to accelerate renewable energy uptake.

They especially seek to amplify the voices of women, young parliamentarians, and indigenous representatives who are often at the forefront of both progress and resistance. By sharing their experiences, successes and setbacks alike, we aim to inspire, inform, and strengthen a global network of lawmakers committed to a sustainable energy future. Want to see how local leadership fuels global energy transformation? Click to Read the series on their LinkedIn page. Are you a Renewable Energy Champion, or do you know one? They want to hear from you! Reach out to them at info@renewablescongress.org.

GLOBE Hosts Roundtable on Parliaments and NDCs



GLOBE Legislators in partnership with Germany's International Climate Initiative, NDC Partnership, E3G and WFD convened a one-day roundtable on parliamentary engagement in the Nationally Determined Contributions(NDCs) on 10 June 2025. Held on the eve of the 2025 Global NDC Conference, the event convened parliamentarians, policy experts, and government representatives for a high-level dialogue on the critical role Members of Parliament play in the development and implementation of national climate commitments. GLOBE also presented interim findings from its global study on parliamentary engagement in NDC 3.0, laying the groundwork for stronger legislative involvement ahead of COP30. More here

Chile Hosts 2nd Regional Conference of Parliamentary Future Committees of LAC



Image credit: Gabriela Oliveira

The 2nd Regional Conference of Parliamentary Future Committees of Latin America and the Caribbean took place at the headquarters of the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), in Santiago, Chile, on 1 July. The event focused on strengthening the legislative capacities of Members of Parliament across the region with the aim of helping them enact legislative frameworks that will engender a productive, inclusive, and sustainable future.

SADC Parliamentarians Host Seminar on Rights of Children and Climate Change



Image credit: SADC-PF

The South African Development Commission's Parliamentary Forum (SADC-PF) on 2 July, 2025, held a seminar interrogating the nexus between children's rights and climate change. The event which took place in Cape Town, South Africa witnessed the MPs calling on all to take action. Speaking during the event, the Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Botswana, Hon. Helen Manyeneng, challenged SADC MPs to "re-imagine climate governance through the eyes of the region's children." More here

Legislators Launch Letter Calling for Greater Legislative Role in Global Climate Governance



On 16 July 2025, more than 80 Brazilian parliamentarians submitted a letter to the COP30 Presidency at the Chamber of Deputies in Brasília, calling for

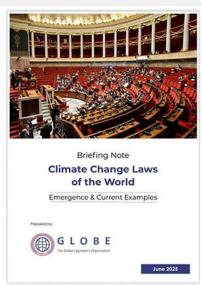
the formal recognition of the vital role legislators play in global climate governance, and ensuring their capacity to translate commitments into law and sustain oversight. Coordinated nationally by Plataforma CIPÓ and Clima de Política and led internationally by GLOBE Legislators, the letter remains open for endorsements through COP30 in Belém in November 2025. More here

Parliamentary Network Reports

GLOBE Releases Briefing Note on Climate Laws

To coincide with its advocacy for robust NDCs 3.0 to be embedded in comprehensive climate framework laws (CFLs), GLOBE released a Briefing Note on the history of climate change legislation with a handy A-Z listing of 10 climate laws from diverse geographies.

The briefing note was used as a backgrounder to discussions with the COP29 Presidency on CFLs and NDCs with GLOBE and partners, ClientEarth and WWF International in July 2025.



The Briefing Note can be downloaded here

GLOBE Leader Reflects on President Buhari's Climate Legacy



Nigeria's former President, Muhammadu Buhari, passed away in London on 13 July 2025. In this insightful and moving personal account, GLOBE leader and Board Member, Rep. Sir Sam Ifeanyi Onuigbo KJW, sponsor of

Nigeria's climate change bill, reflects on the singular role played by President Buhari in launching Africa's largest economy on its ambitious climate and green transition. Read in full here.

Parliamentary Group Monthly Webinar



The July edition of the Parliamentary Group's monthly

"Parliamentarians@COP30" webinar will take place on Wednesday, 30 July, 2025. As usual, there would be Morning and Afternoon sessions with the webinars serving as platforms for information sharing, planning and coordination by members of parliament, staff and parliamentary organisations for COP30 and related processes to inform and support parliamentary engagement. To register, please email <focalpoint@globelegislators.org>.

Please note that the August edition of the webinar will take place as the hybrid **Pre-COP30 Parliamentary Forum** on Wednesday 27th August at Rio Climate Action Week.

Nominations Open for the 2025 Commonwealth Parliamentarian of the Year Awards



Image credit: CPA

Call for nominations are now open for the **2025 Commonwealth Parliamentarian of the Year Awards**. This award, presented to a

Commonwealth Parliamentarian in their first term, celebrates exceptional leadership, innovation, and commitment to advancing parliamentary democracy and good governance across the Commonwealth's 56 member legislatures. Nominations for the award closes on 7 August 2025. More here

Have Your Say

GLOBE tracks parliamentary engagements in the UNFCCC process on an ongoing basis. We would like to hear from you on your parliamentary engagement on climate change. Please contact <focalpoint@globelegislators.org> We look forward to hearing from you with your news and views on how parliaments are impacting the climate agenda.

Support Us

GLOBE International is an international charity registered in Belgium. We work in a cross-party and non-partisan manner to ensure that elected representatives are aware of and engaged in key international processes such as the United Nations conference of parties (COPs) on climate change, biodiversity and desertification.

Since 2021, GLOBE has served as the UNFCCC Focal Point for the Parliamentary Group, providing a range of services to help inform and organise the global parliamentary constituency. We seek to do the same for the other Rio Conventions and key international institutions and processes. As a non-profit organisation our work relies on public support and donations. If you would like to support our work, kindly Donate using our Paypal account: the beneficiary is <secretariat@globelegislators.org>

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