

Focus on Partnerships



The Powering Past Coal Alliance (PPCA) is a global alliance of national and sub-national governments, businesses and organisations working to advance the transition away from unabated coal power generation. By joining the Alliance, members commit to the principles outlined in the Powering past Coal Alliance Declaration.

Through the Declaration,

- Government members commit to phasing out existing unabated coal power generation and to a moratorium on any new coal power stations without operational carbon capture and storage, within their jurisdictions.
- Business and other non-government members commit to powering their operations without coal.
- All members commit to supporting clean power generation through their policies (whether public or corporate, as appropriate) and investments, and to restricting financing for unabated coal power generation, ie without carbon capture and storage.

Coal-fired power plants produce almost 40 percent of global electricity today, making carbon pollution from coal a leading contributor to climate change. The health effects of air pollution from burning coal, including respiratory diseases and premature deaths, impose massive costs in both human and economic terms. Analysis has found that more than 800,000 people die each year around the world from the pollution generated by burning coal.

As a result, phasing out unabated coal power is one of the most important steps governments can take to tackle climate change and meet our commitment to keep global temperature increase well below 2°C, and to pursue efforts to limit it to 1.5°C. To meet the Paris Agreement, analysis shows that coal phase-out is needed no later than by 2030 in the countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the European Union, and no later than by 2050 in the rest of the world.

From the Pacific, members include Fiji, Marshall Islands, New Zealand, Niue, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and the Pacific Islands Development Forum. The declaration supports PIDF's vision for a coal free future as expressed in the Suva and the Nadi Bay Declarations.

Other countries and organisations are encouraged to join.

Current member countries and organisations are available at

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