

GLOBAL COAL TO CLEAN POWER TRANSITION STATEMENT

We, the undersigned, noting that coal power generation is the single biggest cause of global temperature increases, recognise the imperative to urgently scale-up the deployment of clean power to accelerate the energy transition.

We commit to work together to make clean power the most affordable and accessible option globally, with ensuing economic and health benefits as we build back better from the COVID pandemic.

Our shared vision is to accelerate a transition away from unabated coal power generation, as is essential to meet our shared goals under the Paris Agreement, in a way that benefits workers and communities and ensures access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all by 2030 (SDG7).

We commit to the following actions to drive this global transition forward, and we encourage others to make similar commitments:

1. To rapidly scale up our deployment of clean power generation and energy efficiency measures in our economies, and to support other countries to do the same, recognising the leadership shown by countries making ambitious commitments, including through support from the Energy Transition Council;
2. To rapidly scale up technologies and policies in this decade to achieve a transition away from unabated coal power generation in the 2030s (or as soon as possible thereafter) for major economies and in the 2040s (or as soon as possible thereafter) globally, consistent with our climate targets and the Paris Agreement, recognising the leadership shown by countries making ambitious commitments, including through the Powering Past Coal Alliance;
3. To cease issuance of new permits for new unabated coal-fired power generation projects, cease new construction of unabated coal-fired power generation projects and to end new direct government support for unabated international coal-fired power generation, recognising the leadership of countries making ambitious commitments, including through the No New Coal Power Compact;
4. To strengthen our domestic and international efforts to provide a robust framework of financial, technical, and social support to affected workers, sectors and communities to make a just and inclusive transition away from unabated coal power in a way that benefits them, and expands access to clean energy for all, recognising the leadership of countries endorsing the COP26 Just Transition Declaration.

We recognize that countries, workers, and communities in the developing world require support to transition from coal and realise a sustainable and economically inclusive energy future, and that international co-operation will be needed to provide such support.

We recognise that while significant progress has been made to realise our shared vision, our task is not yet complete, and we call on others to join us as we redouble our efforts to accelerate the global energy transition over the coming years.

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The Republic of Albania, H.E. Ms. Belinda Balluku, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure

The Republic of Azerbaijan, Mr Parviz Shahbazov

The Kingdom of Belgium, Minister Zakia Khattabi, Minister for Climate, Environment, Sustainable Development and Green Deal

The Republic of Botswana, endorsing clauses 1, 2 and 4

Brunei Darussalam, Hon. Dato Seri Setia Ir. Awang Haji Suhaimi bin Haji Gafar, Minister of Development

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The Republic of Ecuador, Minister Juan Carlos Bermeo, Minister of Energy and Non Renewable Resources

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The Republic of Indonesia, Minister Arifin, endorsing clauses 1, 2 and 4. Indonesia signs up to the COP26 Coal to Clean Power Transition statement, excluding clause 3 but as part of its commitment to reach net zero by 2060, or sooner with international assistance, Indonesia will consider accelerating coal phase out into the 2040s, conditional on agreeing additional international financial and technical assistance.

Ireland, Minister Eamon Ryan TD

The State of Israel, Minister Ms. Karine Elharrar and Minister Tamar Zandberg

The Italian Republic, Ecological Transition Minister, Roberto Cingolani

The Republic of Kazakhstan, First Vice-Minister of Energy, Murat Zhurebekov, endorsing clause 4

The Principality of Liechtenstein, H.E. Ms. Sabine Monauni

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The Kingdom of Morocco, Minister Benali, endorsing clauses 1, 3 and 4

The Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Minister Ramashay Prasad Yadav

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