

10th Ministerial Meeting Co-chair's Summary

The Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action (the Coalition) gathered in-person for its 10th Ministerial Meeting on October 11, 2023, chaired jointly by Sri Mulyani Indrawati, Minister of Finance of Indonesia and Sigrid Kaag, Minister of Finance of The Netherlands.

The Coalition continues to grow and now includes 91 member countries and 26 institutional partners. Through peer-to-peer learning, knowledge sharing, and collaborative dialogue the Coalition continues to act as platform that informs and supports finance ministries in developing concrete policy steps towards a socially just low carbon economy, under the leadership of the ministers of finance.

The Coalition discussed the relevance of the retention and acceleration of climate action, especially at this challenging time in light of inflationary pressures, slow recovery of the economy and volatility of food and energy markets. Russia's unprovoked and unjustified military aggression against Ukraine is adding to the ever-growing cost of climate change. Integrating climate concerns into policies also remains complex given the socio-economic implications of climate policies and the importance of implementing a socially just transition. That is why we as Co-Chairs are proud of the active engagement of our members in taking climate action.

In Marrakech, the Coalition released its inaugural Climate Action Statement. This statement underscores the progress made by Coalition members on climate actions and emphasizes their growing ambition. The Coalition's finance ministers recognize their pivotal role in global climate action and the pressing need to mainstream climate and just transition considerations into macro-fiscal policies.

During the Ministerial discussion, Coalition members and institutional partners engaged in a thorough exchange on "Greening the Financial System". As the Climate Action Statement shows, members are taking concrete policy actions to establish climate related disclosures, develop green and sustainable taxonomies, and conduct climate related financial risk assessments. Coalition members are also looking to fill the investment gap by prioritizing climate related financing mechanisms. Members plan to discourage greenhouse gas emissions through implementing carbon pricing measures and tax reforms, phasing out fossil fuel subsidies, incentivizing investment in carbon efficient technologies, and focusing on the socially just aspects of the green transition.

Members will take further actions to mainstream climate change mitigation and adaptation considerations into macroeconomic and fiscal policy planning through green budgeting, public investment management and public procurement. Through peer-to-peer learning, great strides are being made in embedding climate considerations into macroeconomic models, analytical tools, and budgetary forecasts. Members reinforced their shared objective of mainstreaming climate and energy considerations in the domains of ministries of finance.

The Coalition Co-Chairs are pleased with the overall aspiration of members to intensify the collective efforts of the Coalition and have an impactful role in offering knowledge and policy guidance to its members. We are grateful to the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund for strengthening the support systems for the Coalition through the Secretariat.

Based on members input, the Co-Chairs guided the Sherpas to increasingly engage across the Coalition workstreams with support from the Secretariat and increased assistance from institutional partners, to work collectively on impactful Coalition deliverables and to support each other on climate mainstreaming. The Co-Chairs highlighted the first Climate Action Statement as an important milestone for the Coalition, and that a year from now a next version is to be presented, showcasing our collective progress and deliverables for the upcoming year.

The Coalition of Finance Ministers for Climate Action will gather for its next ministerial level meeting in Dubai on December 4th, during the COP28 Finance Day.