

UNFCCC COP30 – Belem, Brazil
10-21 November 2025
Collaborative UN system side events

Title: Max. 100 characters including spaces.	Towards a Just Transition: Financing Africa’s move from Coal to Sustainable Energy Sources
Short description: Max. 300 characters including spaces Long description Max 1500 characters including spaces	This event will explore innovative ways of mobilizing the requisite financing to help African countries attain just transitions as they navigate the move from fossil fuel-based energy systems to more sustainable energy sources, including nuclear energy, in such a way as to meet their urgent development imperatives. The event will explore innovative financing pathways for a Just Transition from fossil fuels to sustainable energy sources in Africa and other emerging regions. Speakers will discuss national best practices for unlocking clean energy, including nuclear energy to meet urgent development imperatives. A proposal to use carbon credits to fund nuclear power plants in developing countries will be discussed and its consequences explored, and how to do this under the frame of Article 6. The event will further facilitate discourse on financing pathways, including assistance needs, and social and economic benefits of transitioning to sustainable energy technologies.
Lead organization This is the organization that will communicate with UNFCCC about the proposal. Only ONE organization please. UN organizations can still co-lead events together and reflect this in the program later.	Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Contact person in lead organizations This is the person we can ask if we have questions. It does not have to be your organization's Designated Contact Point (DCP) to UNFCCC, even if the proposal must be submitted by the DCP only.	Name: James Murombedzi email: murombedzi@un.org phone (optional):
Supporting organization(s) Only UN organizations organizations can be supporting organizations. You can still invite other organizations to speak at your event but they should not be reflected here.	International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Anthropocene institute
Which COP30 key objective(s) does this event contribute to? How? Refer to list of COP30 key objectives in side event instructions.	I. Transitioning Energy, Industry, and Transport (4) transitioning away from fossil fuels, in a just, orderly and equitable manner V. Fostering Human and Social Development (18) education, capacity-building, and job creation to address climate change, VI. Cross-cutting issues – Enablers and Accelerators (24) climate and trade, (26) governance, state capacities and institutional strengthening for climate action, planning and preparedness
Which SDG does this event support primarily? How?	• SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy • SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure • SDG 13: Climate Action • SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals
We expect to have the following speakers/panellists. Please indicate gender and nationality for each.	The event will bring together experts from: - Henri Paillere, Head of Planning and Economic Studies Section, IAEA - James Murombedzi, Coordinator, African Climate Policy Centre, UNECA - Anthropocene institute

	- A national governmentGender and geographical balance will be reflected when identifying speakers. - A youth representative
Please indicate proposed format of the event, including any innovative/interesting/interactive elements	The event will consist of a high-level panel discussion with representatives from governments, UN agencies, civil society, and the private sector. Each speaker will provide concise, action-oriented interventions (5–7 minutes), followed by a moderated dialogue. Interactive elements such as live audience input and targeted Q&A will allow participants to contribute ideas on enabling conditions, policy innovations, and multi-stakeholder cooperation.
Do you require simultaneous interpretation? If so, to/from what languages? Please note that costs for interpretation will need to be covered by the organizer.	No
Preferred date/time Slots (90 minutes) are in principle available from 10 to 21 November, 10.00 to 18.00 each day.	No preference
Do you have any additional relevant information that you wish to share?	