

## The future of the Marrakech Partnership for enhancing ambition Submission of the Republic of Chile

Chile welcomes the opportunity to present its views on the work of the Marrakech Partnership, in line with paragraph 28 of decision 1/CP.25.

In recent years we have witnessed the growing interest and the commitment of Non-Party Stakeholders (NPS) in different areas of the implementation of the Paris Agreement. Their involvement in concrete climate actions and their work with Parties to enhance ambition has been often a key factor in the success of climate policies.

Chile has supported the participation of NPS in the global fora as catalysers of climate action. In this regard, with the leadership of the High Level Champions and in close cooperation with members of the Marrakech partnership, Chile has promoted the creation of new initiatives that foster the involvement of these actors, like the Climate Ambition Alliance, initiated in the context of the United Nations Climate Ambition Summit, which has gathered businesses, regions, cities and organizations around the world.

During the last five years, the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action (MPGCA) has developed into a key tool in the engagement of NPS in the dialogue and formulation of the need of rapid and sustainable solutions to tackle climate change. The development of working tools by the MPGCA, and specifically the recently created Pathways, have showed us that there is a clear intention and motivation to develop and implement a long-term strategy with a strong involvement of NPS in order to help Parties to create stronger policies and commitments.

Building on its experience as one of the six COP presidencies that have appointed a High Level Champion, Chile is of the view that the original purposes of the MPGCA are still valid, to accelerate action and enhance ambition around NPS. This dimension remains critical for the efforts of many countries to focus on implementing climate policies and contributing to fulfilling the goals of the Paris Agreement.

However, the social and economic consequences of climate change make also necessary to strengthen the vision of the Partnership and the role of the High-Level Champions, to further accelerating climate action and to better align with the wider framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its goals. Relevant efforts have been already done by the High-Level Champions and the MPGCA themes in including some of these elements in the development of the Pathways, and this work needs to continue in the same direction.



Given the diversity of actors involved, there is still considerable room for improvement in the MPGCA. The diversity of the Partnership is an important base in its adaptation process to fit a broader scenario with a flexible approach. In this regard, we suggest the following actions to help the MPGCA enhancing its role in the future:

- One of the main challenges of the MPGCA is the geographical diversity of their members. It has been stressed in many occasions that there is a lack of participation of the Global South in the different themes. To improve this situation, we suggest that the Partnership, through the Champions, may promote the creation of local versions of the MPGCA in developing countries, fostering leadership of local experts and NPS, which can also be linked to a theme in particular, according to the needs and priorities at the local contexts. This approach may give a boost in local action, through the involvement and participation of local actors, promote the objectives of the MPGCA, enhance the work of the Regional Climate Weeks and help to achieve a broader representativity of NPS.
- The High Level Champions fulfil an important role as connectors between governments and concrete initiatives developed by NPS. However, given the growth of climate actions developed around the world, new ways to obtain information should be implemented by the MPGCA to help the different themes and update also its working tools. In this regard, the presence of **Regional Focal Points**, could be helpful to reach new organizations and to increase the potential of the Partnership, providing also with updated information to the Champions of the current trends and main priorities of the different regional areas. In this regard, the organization of the Regional Climate Weeks could offer opportunities for identifying collaboration partners.
- In their thematic approach, the MPGCA could **consider having a stronger presence of cross-cutting issues** such as Gender, Youth, Traditional Knowledge and Disaster Risk Reduction. These topics can be crucial for climate action, as many NPS have underlined through their proposals and initiatives.
- This approach can be enriched with the building of stronger effectiveness in the links between the United Nations System and institutions directly related to climate action from Non-State Actors. We suggest the development of internal mechanisms to ensure a more balanced participation between Specialized Agencies and intergovernmental organizations (IGOs), with institutions lead by NPS (in particular local/regional governments, investors and businesses) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) involved in the UNFCCC process and the themes of the MPGCA. The work that has already started since the inception of the Marrakech Partnership should be continued and strengthened.



- The work of the Constituencies in the context of other processes under the UNFCCC when focus on climate action, can offer also good opportunities to advance in concrete initiatives towards enhancing ambition, and specially in a local level. Particularly important could be processes such as the Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) and the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform, that already are engaging with NPS and could represent important bridges between Parties and observers.
- The presentation of new or updated NDCs and Long-Term Strategies could also be used by the MPGCA to identify new actors, enhance climate actions and ambition and most importantly to identify gaps or trends in these instruments. In this regard, the MPGCA could promote the exchanging of good practices at a national level can be a strong driver to identify opportunities that Parties can consider when planning their processes of updating NDCs and formulate LTS.
- Chile welcomes the improvement achieved through the CAMDA process to increase tracking progress of climate action. This is an area where the MPGCA should play a more active role. Since the NPS are the main contributors to the Platform for Global Climate Action, the partnership should play also a role in suggesting changes to the current platform and also to inspire other organizations to register their actions. The use of the platforms for showcasing and tracking could become an important source of information to the Pathways and to evaluate the participation and inclusion of gender, youth and local communities in the national, regional and global outcome.
- Building on the successful experience of the Talanoa Dialogue, NPS and the MPGCA should play an active role during the global stocktake (consistent with decision 19/CMA.1 and any additional guidance the CMA may provide), including through reporting on the progress on the implementation of their current commitments and new levels of ambition, such as the increase of net zero targets reflected under the Climate Ambition Alliance.
- Recognizing the substantive role that NPS play supporting Parties in the phase of implementation of the Paris Agreement, it is important that this should be reflected adequately on the budget allocation, securing the continuation of the work done by the MPGCA with and appropriate support team.

The world is not the same as in 2015 when the MPGCA was created. Climate change has become one of the top priorities of the global agenda and the role of NPS in this new scenario has been crucial not only to showcase the importance of climate action but also to help changing our mindsets and face this challenge as a global phenomenon.

Considering the urgency to address climate change, we believe that the MPGCA should strengthen its role to accelerate action and show progress becoming a hub of ideas and a space of collaboration between NPS and their commitment to reduce emissions, enhancing



climate resilience and ambition and creating the conditions for a more sustainable development. This could also be accompanied by a possible relaunching of the Platform, under a narrative that takes into account this new reality and the collective effort, by Parties and NPS, to enhance ambition.

The development of an enhanced Marrakech Partnership can be crucial in the context of achieving the temperature goal of the Paris Agreement. Global warming will be contained well below 2°C and as close as 1,5° as possible only if Parties have a stronger connection with concrete measures and incentives that can be swiftly and efficiently implemented by non-state actors.

Chile stands ready to continue contributing with ideas and proposals for the enhancement of the role of the MPGCA and to build stronger cooperation with NPS for achieving more ambition.