



## LEDS GP: Building skills in low emission development and NDC implementation

Many countries around the world are developing and implementing low emission development strategies. These seek to achieve social, economic, and environmental development goals while reducing long-term greenhouse gas emissions and increasing resilience to climate change impacts. The Low Emission Development Strategies Global Partnership (LEDS GP) harnesses the collective knowledge and resources of more than 79 countries and over 300 institutions, as well as individual practitioners, to strengthen climate resilient, low emission development efforts around the world. It does this by enabling practitioners to work together on innovative and early mover projects, draw on technical support and advice, and share learning and knowledge with their peers.



### Priority areas:

- **Peer learning:** Bringing together LEDS practitioners to share their experiences, lessons, and good practices through workshops, a Fellowship program, remote forums, and communities of practice.
- **Technical assistance:** Our Remote Expert Assistance on LEDS (REAL) service facilitates cooperation and develops, improves, shares, and enables access to analysis, tools and data, technical reports, good practice studies, and communication products.
- **Knowledge resources:** Access to enable practitioners to champion LEDS and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).
- **Early mover projects:** Support to help progress specific aspects of LEDS and NDCs.

Our support is delivered through vibrant regional platforms. The Africa LEDS Partnership (AfLP), Asia LEDS Partnership (ALP), and Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Platform (LEDS LAC) are soon to be joined by a new Europe and Eurasia platform. Each regional platform defines common country priorities to focus LEDS GP's efforts on member-driven programs. Supporting the regional platforms are global working groups providing technical support in such areas as: benefits and their communication; finance; subnational integration; energy; transport; and agriculture, forestry, and other land use. A steering committee sets the strategic direction for LEDS GP, and a global secretariat coordinates implementation, knowledge management, outreach, and collective services. LEDS GP has enabled peer learning, training, and knowledge exchange across thousands of practitioners and helped to strengthen policies and technical capacity in more than 50 countries.

## Spotlight on our work

### **The Asia LEDS Partnership and LEDS GP**

**Transport Working Group** teamed up with the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), Clean Air Asia, and the Government of the Philippines to build skills and know-how in overcoming barriers to the implementation of vehicle emission standards in Southeast Asia.



**The Africa LEDS Partnership** is working with the European Commission and UNEP in eight African countries (Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Morocco, Mozambique, and Zambia) to help progress detailed plans for their NDCs and LEDS. Experiences gained will be shared across Africa using communities of practice in five sub-regions.

**The LEDS LAC Regional Platform, together with our Working Group on Subnational Integration,** collaborated with CIOESTE (a consortium of eight municipalities in western metropolitan São Paulo, Brazil) to develop an urban energy inventory and analysis for the region. CIOESTE used this initiative as a learning opportunity to enhance its own work in low emission development decisions and infrastructure investments, and to promote discussion on ways to build better collaboration on LEDS actions among city, state, and national governments.

**Building concrete investment plans and practical ways to channel financing** is a central challenge to taking the next step towards low emission development. LEDS GP is starting to work with eight countries around the world (Bangladesh, Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mexico, Peru, the Philippines, and Vietnam) to accelerate public and private investment in priority NDC sectors. This can include using an investment accelerator approach, in which LEDS GP will bring together private sector companies that wish to buy renewable energy and potential investors, supporting sector-specific investment mobilization measures to increase the pipeline for investment.

## Get involved and join the LEDS Global Partnership

To find out more about LEDS GP and how you can get involved, please visit our website at [www.ledsgp.org](http://www.ledsgp.org) or contact the Secretariat directly at [secretariat@ledsgp.org](mailto:secretariat@ledsgp.org)

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