

Belém Declaration on Global Green Industrialization

Accelerating decarbonization of heavy emitting industries and promoting green industrialization in pursuit of global climate and development goals

1. Recognizing that without deep emissions cuts from heavy industry and advances in clean technology industries (including renewable energy technologies, energy storage, energy efficiency, circular production, and sustainable mining) – collectively referred to as ‘green industrialization’ – global carbon emissions reduction goals, in line with the Paris Agreement, cannot be met,
2. Sharing the conviction that green industrialization must address, rather than deepen global inequalities and must empower countries and regions to lead their own decarbonization and climate agenda, while also empowering local communities, creating quality jobs, and protecting the environment within a just and inclusive energy transition,
3. Acknowledging that the diversification and integration of green industrial supply chains can both support global carbon emissions reduction goals and create economic development as well as more resilient economies, particularly for the Global South,
4. Recognizing that advancing green industrialization demands multilateral and multistakeholder collaboration and partnerships across the Global North and South, and a clear framework for green industrial policy that aligns with climate goals and delivers tangible, widely shared benefits,
5. Recognizing that addressing industrial decarbonization is a global challenge that requires valuing and leveraging the specific technological pathways, resources, and strengths of each region and country; emphasizing that local technological pathways and innovations, though not universally scalable, are critical building blocks of a globally coherent and resilient industrial transformation, and must be considered in international trade, investment, and cooperation frameworks,
6. Recognizing the importance of international trade and the need to adopt transparent and science-based criteria for defining and certifying green industrial products as key enablers to create demand for low-carbon goods and to ensure that markets for sustainable industrial products are fair, and accessible to all regions,
7. Acknowledging the multiple initiatives such as Climate Club, LeadIT, and Industrial Transition Accelerator, policy efforts, and international programs underway to decarbonize heavy industry and promote clean technology industries, and recognizing the need to consolidate, accelerate, and build on successful experiences to maximize impact over the coming five years,
8. Welcoming the vision presented by the Climate High-Level Champions for the next five years of the Global Climate Action Agenda, aligned with the Global Stocktake and the Plans to Accelerate Solutions as important vehicles to drive convergence, accountability, and deliver tangible commitments from multiple initiatives and platforms within a common theme of Industry, and highlighting that these frameworks provide a shared horizon and structured pathways for action and will be instrumental in aligning and reinforcing international efforts,
9. Building on the joint statement issued by Brazil, South Africa, and the United Kingdom at the conclusion of the Global Green Industrialization Dialogue on 7-8 July 2025 calling for a “Global Green Industrialization Pact” that balances the imperative for decarbonization with the opportunity for green industrial development related to the energy transition and realizing the goals of the Paris Agreement,
10. Recalling the discussions during the High-Level Solution Dialogue on Industry Decarbonization held in the lead-up to the UN Climate Summit on 23 September 2025, that identified the need for policy coherence in creating pull mechanisms for the right technologies while delivering social equity by

leaving no one behind, multilateral cooperation in creating demand for green industrial products, and a finance package that takes into account the needs of emerging and developing countries as essential levers requiring joint global action:

We, the high-level representatives of governments, the private sector, philanthropies, multilateral development banks and international financial institutions, international organizations, civil society, and research and academic institutions, gathered at COP30 in Belém, Brazil, hereby sign the Belém Declaration, agreeing to the following:

1. Support a multilateral and multistakeholder coordinated effort to advance green industrialization in a way that is just and sustainable and that promotes economic and social opportunity for all, while accelerating efforts in the Global South.
2. Enhance multilateral collaboration and partnerships in support of global green industrialization, focusing on the areas that are most critical to unlock progress. These include: mobilizing and aligning financial and technical assistance, which is essential to accelerate transitions; producing and sharing technical outputs that provide the evidence and tools policymakers and industry need; promoting and facilitating technology co-development, to advance the diffusion and development of green industrial solutions globally; and strengthening capacity building, to ensure that countries can design and implement effective green industrial policies and standards.
3. Improve global information flows and coordination, including through the COP Activation Groups, to avoid duplication and increase coherence, and using bilateral and multilateral cooperation to help identify and advance mutually beneficial green industrialization projects. Together, these efforts will reinforce one another to create a coherent ecosystem of support that can deliver tangible results at the scale and speed required.
4. Foster and focus international support for green industrialization through a coordination and delivery mechanism and institutional architecture that supports the Global Climate Action Agenda, and incorporates and builds on the Breakthrough Agenda, by establishing a Secretariat hosted by UNIDO as a multilateral agency that will partner with other leading coordinating international bodies and initiatives globally. The Secretariat will be guided by the political leadership of an Oversight Group of countries committed to drive work in this area, including the COP Troika, to ensure continuity and consistency of action from COP to COP. The mechanism will support effective coordinated international action by facilitating and fostering coordination between leading initiatives and stakeholders, reviewing progress and priority actions, compiling annual reporting and identifying new priority actions systematically in alignment with the upcoming cycle of the Global Stocktake. We agree to supporting the development of such an international architecture in time for launch at COP31.

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