Evaluation or Monitoring Framework: Climate & Energy Governance Implementation Framework

Introduction

The Evaluation or Monitoring Framework is a vital component of the Climate Governance Seed Kit, designed to enable stakeholders to track progress and measure the impact of climate and energy governance initiatives over time. This framework complements the Governance Readiness Assessment Tool by providing tools for ongoing evaluation, ensuring that actions align with the Climate & Energy Governance Implementation Framework's goals: achieving net-zero emissions by 2050, ensuring universal clean energy access, and protecting 75% of vulnerable communities by 2035.

The framework integrates the Framework's four pillars—Climate Mitigation, Climate Adaptation, Energy Transition, and Innovation & Technology—and its principles, such as equity, transparency, and adaptive evolution. It offers a structured approach to define indicators, collect data, assess outcomes, and adapt strategies, with a focus on inclusivity and accountability. Aligned with the Integrated Climate Metrics System (ICMS), it ensures standardized, transparent reporting across governance levels.

Objectives

- Establish clear, measurable indicators to track progress toward Framework goals.
- Monitor the effectiveness and equity of climate and energy initiatives.
- Provide tools for data collection, analysis, and reporting.
- Enable adaptive management by identifying gaps and refining strategies.
- Foster transparency and stakeholder engagement in evaluation processes.

Target Audience

- National and regional policymakers
- National Implementation Units
- CSOs advocating for climate action and equity
- Businesses aligning with climate goals
- Communities, particularly vulnerable and indigenous groups
- Regional organizations exploring coordination roles

Evaluation or Monitoring Framework

1. Defining Evaluation Objectives

Set clear objectives for monitoring, aligned with Framework goals and pillars.

Field	Response	
Objective	E.g., Track progress toward 50% emissions reduction by 2035	
Framework Goal	E.g., Net-zero emissions by 2050, Climate Mitigation pillar	
Scope	E.g., National carbon pricing policy, urban renewable energy deployment	
Stakeholders	E.g., Policymakers, CSOs, rural communities, businesses	
Equity Focus	E.g., Ensure low-income groups benefit from emissions reductions	
Timeframe	E.g., Annual monitoring from 2025-2035	

Instructions:

- Align objectives with Framework targets (e.g., 60% renewable energy by 2035).
- Specify scope (e.g., policy, project, sector) and stakeholders, emphasizing vulnerable groups.
- Use the Climate Policy Dashboard to identify relevant metrics.

Example: SolarNation aims to monitor its solar energy deployment to achieve 60% renewable energy by 2035, focusing on rural access, engaging CSOs and communities, with annual reviews to ensure equitable benefits.

2. Selecting Indicators

Choose measurable indicators to track progress, aligned with ICMS and Framework pillars.

Pillar	Indicator	Target	ICMS Alignment
Climate Mitigation	Annual CO2e emissions reduced	30 MtCO2e by 2035	Emissions metrics
Climate Adaptation	% of vulnerable communities protected 75% by 2035		Resilience metrics
Energy Transition	% of energy from renewables	60% by 2035	Energy mix metrics
Innovation & Technology	Number of clean tech patents filed	100 by 2030	Innovation metrics
Cross-Cutting (Equity)	% of marginalized groups benefiting	80% by 2035	Equity metrics
Cross-Cutting (Governance)	% of policies with transparent reporting	90% by 2030	Transparency metrics

Instructions:

- Select 5-10 indicators per initiative, covering relevant pillars and cross-cutting themes (equity, governance).
- Ensure indicators are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound).
- Align with ICMS for standardized reporting, using the Integrated Climate Metrics System Guide.

Example:

- Climate Mitigation: Reduce 10 MtCO2e annually by 2035 via carbon pricing.
- Energy Transition: Achieve 60% renewable energy by 2035 via solar deployment.

- Equity: Ensure 80% of rural households access clean energy by 2035.
- Transparency: Publish 90% of policy outcomes on the Climate Policy Dashboard by 2030.

3. Data Collection Plan

Outline methods and sources for collecting data, ensuring inclusivity and reliability.

Indicator	Data Source	Collection Method	Frequency	Responsible Party
CO2e emissions reduced	National emissions inventory	Automated monitoring systems	Annual	Environment Ministry
% of communities protected	Community surveys	Participatory assessments	Biennial	CSOs, local leaders
% of renewable energy	Energy grid data	Utility reports	Quarterly	Energy Agency
Clean tech patents	Patent office records	Database analysis	Annual	Innovation Hub
% of marginalized groups benefiting	Household surveys	Focus groups, digital platforms	Biennial	CSOs, community councils

Instructions:

- Identify reliable data sources (e.g., government records, community input).
- Use inclusive methods (e.g., surveys in local languages, digital platforms like Decidim).
- Assign clear responsibilities, engaging stakeholders via the Stakeholder Engagement Protocol.
- Ensure data aligns with ICMS standards for interoperability.

Example: SolarNation collects emissions data annually from its inventory, renewable energy data quarterly from utilities, and rural access data biennially via community surveys in three languages, led by CSOs and reported via ICMS.

4. Analysis and Reporting

Analyze data to assess progress and report outcomes transparently.

Field	Response		
Analysis Method	E.g., Compare emissions data against 2035 target, assess equity via beneficiary surveys		
Key Questions	E.g., Are emissions reductions on track? Are rural communities benefiting equitably?		
Tools Used	E.g., Statistical software, ICMS dashboards, stakeholder feedback		
Reporting Format	E.g., Annual report, infographics, Climate Policy Dashboard		
Audience	E.g., Policymakers, communities, regional hubs		
Transparency Measures	E.g., Publish raw data, host public webinars		

Instructions:

- Analyze data against targets, using ICMS tools for consistency.
- Address equity (e.g., disaggregate data by income, gender, or ethnicity).
- Report via the Climate Policy Dashboard and the Governance Communication Toolkit for accessibility.
- Ensure transparency by sharing raw data and engaging stakeholders, per the Radical **Transparency** principle.

Example: SolarNation analyzes emissions reductions (8 MtCO2e by 2030 vs. 10 MtCO2e target) and rural access (60% vs. 80% target), using ICMS dashboards. Reports are published annually with infographics, shared via webinars, and uploaded to the Climate Policy Dashboard.

5. Adaptive Management

Use evaluation findings to refine strategies and improve outcomes.

Finding	Implication	Action	Tool
Emissions reduction below target	Insufficient carbon pricing enforcement	Strengthen policy via Carbon Pricing Implementation Guide	Climate Institutional Reform Guide
Low rural energy access	Funding gaps for microgrids	Secure additional funds via Climate Finance Access Navigator	Energy Transition Roadmap Template
Limited community input	Weak engagement processes	Enhance forums via Stakeholder Engagement Protocol	Governance Communication Toolkit

Instructions:

- Identify gaps or successes from analysis (e.g., underperforming indicators, equity issues).
- Propose actions using relevant Seed Kit tools (e.g., Climate Finance Access Navigator for funding).
- Engage stakeholders to validate adaptations, ensuring Free, Prior, and Informed Consent (FPIC) for indigenous communities.
- Document changes for regional sharing via the Regional Hub Connection Guide.

Example: SolarNation finds 60% rural energy access by 2030, below the 80% target. It secures \$200M via the Climate Finance Access Navigator, enhances community forums with the Stakeholder Engagement Protocol, and shares lessons through a Regional Hub.

Hypothetical Example: SolarNation's Monitoring Framework

Context: SolarNation, a rural developing nation from the Case Studies or Examples, monitors its solar energy deployment to achieve 60% renewable energy by 2035 and universal access by 2050.

Evaluation Objectives:

- Track emissions reductions and renewable energy deployment.
- Ensure equitable access for 80% of rural households by 2035.
- Maintain transparent reporting for stakeholders.

Indicators:

- Climate Mitigation: 10 MtCO2e reduced annually by 2035.
- Energy Transition: 60% renewable energy by 2035.
- Equity: 80% rural household access by 2035.
- Transparency: 90% of policy outcomes reported by 2030.

Data Collection:

- Emissions: Annual inventory data from the Environment Ministry.
- Renewable Energy: Quarterly utility reports.
- Equity: Biennial surveys in three languages, led by CSOs.
- Transparency: Audits of public reports, verified by community councils.

Analysis and Reporting:

- By 2030, SolarNation achieves 8 MtCO2e reduction (80% of target) and 60% rural access (75% of target).
- Reports are published annually with infographics, shared via the Climate Policy Dashboard and community webinars.
- Data disaggregated by region and income to assess equity.

Adaptive Management:

- Finding: Rural access lags due to funding gaps.
- Action: Secures \$200M via the Climate Finance Access Navigator and scales microgrids with the Energy Transition Roadmap Template.
- Finding: Limited CSO input in monitoring.
- Action: Enhances engagement with the Stakeholder Engagement Protocol, adding digital platforms.

Outcomes by 2035:

- Achieves 60% renewable energy and 80% rural access.
- Reduces 10 MtCO2e annually.
- Publishes 90% of outcomes transparently, building trust.

Principles Applied:

 Radical Transparency, Resource Justice, Direct Participation, Adaptive Evolution, Resilience & Anti-Fragility

Integration with Seed Kit Tools

The Evaluation or Monitoring Framework integrates with other *Climate Governance Seed Kit* tools to ensure comprehensive implementation:

- Governance Readiness Assessment Tool: Provides baseline data for initial evaluation.
- Adaptation Planning Framework: Tracks resilience outcomes.
- Energy Transition Roadmap Template: Monitors renewable energy progress.
- Climate Finance Access Navigator: Evaluates funding utilization.
- Stakeholder Engagement Protocol: Ensures inclusive data collection.
- Governance Communication Toolkit: Supports accessible reporting.
- Climate Policy Dashboard Guide: Centralizes data visualization.

• Just Transition Planning Template: Assesses equitable outcomes for workers.

Planned Documents:

- Case Studies or Examples: Provides context for applying indicators.
- Regional Hub Connection Guide: Facilitates regional data sharing.

Contact and Further Information

For additional support:

- Online Resources: Access tools and guides at globalgovernanceframework.org/frameworks/tools/energy.
- Technical Assistance: Email globalgovernanceframeworks@gmail.com.
- Regional Governance Concepts: Learn more about the Regional Hub framework at globalgovernanceframework.org/frameworks/hubs.
- Implementation Partnerships: Inquire about opportunities to pilot Regional Hub functions in your region through globalgovernanceframeworks@gmail.com.

This framework is a living document, updated periodically. Check the website for the latest version.