



ALLIANCES FOR CLIMATE ACTION

TOGETHER WE WILL BUILD A NET ZERO CARBON FUTURE. JULY 2020

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OUR CHALLENGE

Human-induced climate change is real, it is happening now, and it affects us all – from the poles to the tropics, and from the mountains to the oceans. We all have a part to play in addressing this urgent problem. *And it is urgent.*

We have roughly ten years to transform the global economy, so that global emissions are cut in half by 2030 and reach net zero by 2050. The science is clear and paints an alarming picture of what lies ahead if countries don't step up. Fortunately, the science is also clear on the actions required and, together, we have the resources and technology to make the necessary changes.

While the Paris Agreement gave the world hope that humanity can address the global climate challenge, national governments cannot solve the climate crisis alone. More bottom-up climate action is urgently needed to accelerate nationally-determined processes of transition towards zero-carbon climate-resilient societies. "Crowding in" more businesses, local government leaders and many others at the national level is essential to implement current national pledges and advocate for more ambitious ones.

DOMESTIC BARRIERS

Unifying subnational actors at the national level faces three main barriers. First, there is still a limited number of businesses, investors, subnational and local governments, academic institutions and civil society groups focused on climate action, public awareness and advocacy in most countries. Second, domestic climate champions have not been publicly visible about their work, nor vocal about the urgency and opportunity of the zero-carbon transition within their countries. Third, subnational and non-state actors have tended to step up either individually or along constituency lines (e.g. businesses with businesses, cities with cities, etc.). This siloed approach has limited their impact.

Well-organized, influential and credible multi-stakeholder coalitions in support of climate action do not exist in most countries and are critical to creating both strong market signals and political space to speed up the zero-carbon transition.

OUR BOLD, INNOVATIVE SOLUTION

Delivering on the Paris Agreement will require the full mobilization of the world community. Alliances for Climate Action (ACA) seeks to nurture a new form of climate leadership and realize global ambition locally by articulating domestic constituencies of business, local government, academic and civil society leaders in key countries around the world into national multi-stakeholder coalitions committed to driving the zero-carbon transition in their countries.

THE POWER OF ALLIANCES

While each domestic coalition is designed to fit the individual country's national circumstances, they share key common attributes. **Each national alliance reaches out and convenes subnational and non-state actors to:**



CLIMATE ACTION RAMP

Encourage subnational and non-state actors to take on new commitments, and collaborate with each other to implement their current commitments and pursue more ambitious ones;



ORGANIZED VOICE

Support coordinated engagement with the national government to accelerate the implementation of current commitments, and leverage domestic opportunities for higher ambition in the form of revised Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and Long-Term Strategies (LTSS); and



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

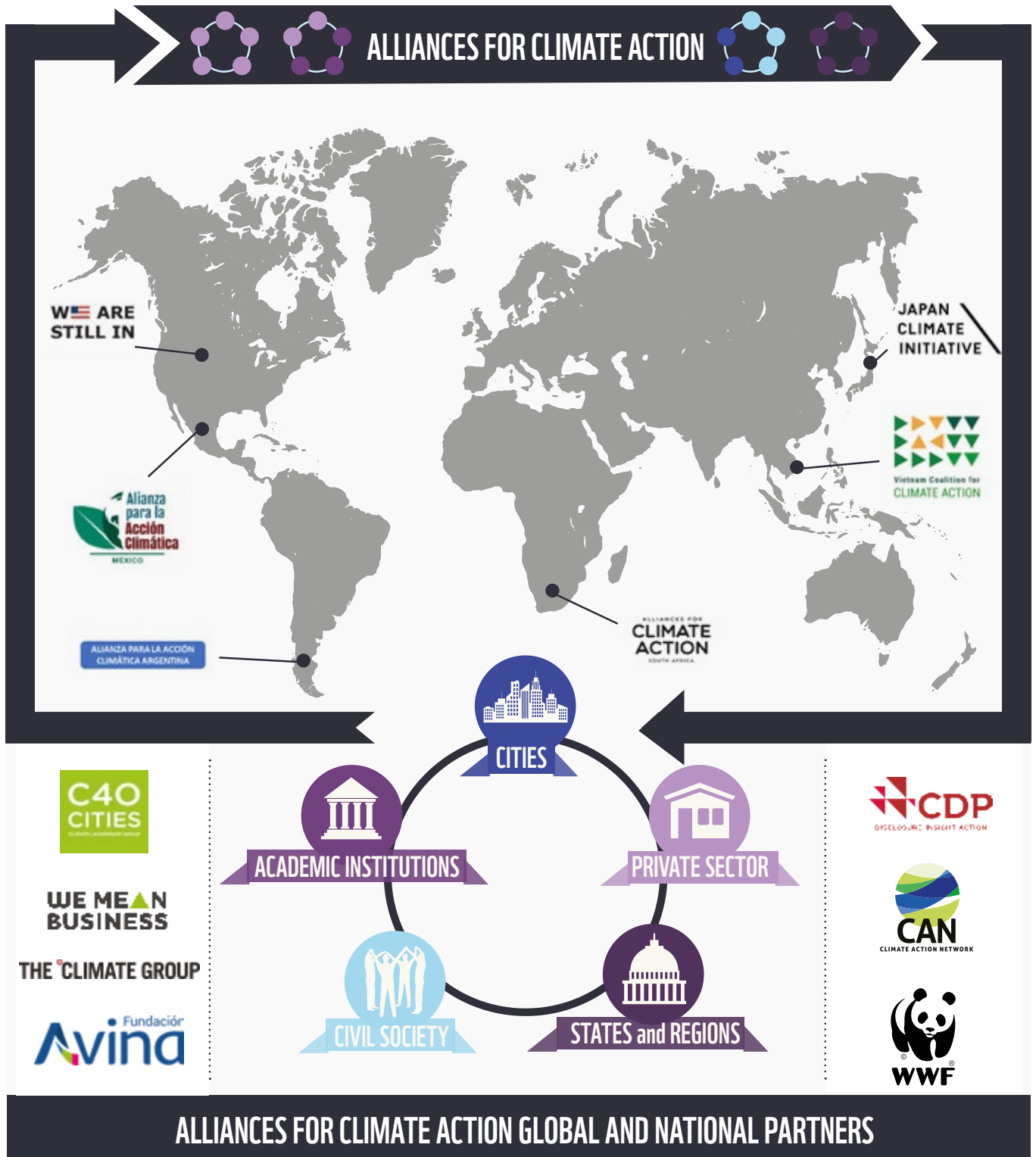
Jointly articulate the urgency and opportunity of transitioning to zero-carbon climate-resilient economy in nationally-specific terms, to inspire confidence in national governments and the public that their countries can do more.

As a global Network, Alliances for Climate Action connects member coalitions to broaden and deepen the collective knowledge and capacity for collaborative climate work. As this shared knowledge grows, it is encouraging further creativity and innovation in climate action.

The Alliances also come together on the global stage to showcase the actions that their members are taking, inspire more climate action across the world and encourage national governments to be more ambitious.

PARTNERS

ACA global partners include **C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group**, **CDP**, the **Climate Action Network**, **Fundación Avina**, **The Climate Group**, the **We Mean Business Coalition** and **WWF** (global coordinator), working together with leading organizations at the national level.



MEMBER COALITIONS

Six coalitions have been established so far:



ALIANZA PARA LA ACCIÓN
CLIMÁTICA ARGENTINA

Alianza para la Acción Climática Argentina (ACAA)

ARGENTINA

Argentina's alliance brings together 20 local and provincial governments, states, companies, banks, universities, farmers and civil society organizations committed to delivering and enhancing their country's climate goals. Together, they represent more than 13 million citizens and over 30% of the nation's economy.



JAPAN
CLIMATE
INITIATIVE

Japan Climate Initiative (JCI)

JAPAN

The Japan Climate Initiative includes more than 490 leaders from companies, banks, local governments, universities, faith institutions, and civil society organizations. All are committed to realizing a decarbonized society in Japan. Together, they represent over 30% of the country's population, emissions and power consumption.



Alianza para la Acción Climática de México (ACA-MX)

MEXICO

The alliance of over 85 Mexican entities from two of the three largest metropolitan areas in the country (Guadalajara and Monterrey) have pledged to help the national government enhance the country's national climate goals. Together, they comprise leaders from state and local governments, companies, universities and civil society organizations.



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SOUTH AFRICA

Alliance for Climate Action-South Africa (ACA SA)

SOUTH AFRICA

Alliances for Climate Action South Africa includes 25 local governments, investors, and companies across South Africa that have come together to pursue net-zero emissions in their country by 2050.



WE ARE
STILL IN

We Are Still In (WASI)

UNITED STATES

The U.S. alliance joins more than 3,900 signatories committed to supporting climate action to meet the Paris Agreement. Together, they represent 155 million Americans, across 50 states, and \$9.46 trillion in U.S. GDP.



Viet Nam Coalition for Climate Action (VCCA)

Viet Nam

The Viet Nam Coalition for Climate Action brings together over 40 signatories across companies, banks, investors, universities, and civil society organizations committed to delivering Viet Nam's climate goals..



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