



Individual Measure “Towards Carbon Neutrality Strategy (CNS) Implementation in the Private Sector of Kazakhstan”

Kazakhstan's commitment to transitioning towards a low-carbon economy and achieving climate neutrality by 2060 is a significant stride in the face of climate change. Despite the introduction of the national long-term 2060 Carbon Neutrality Strategy (CNS), there is a need to enhance the understanding of necessary technological and infrastructural transformations among industry stakeholders and policymakers. The CNS covers all economy sectors. However, the absence of sectoral goals and indicators in the CNS indicates hesitation and resistance among different stakeholders to decarbonization policies. This necessitates the facilitation of multi-stakeholder dialogue with a specific focus on possible business models for industries to foster a consensus on ambitious climate policies.

The project operates within the context of Kazakhstan's commitment to transitioning towards a low-carbon economy and achieving climate neutrality by 2060. Despite making significant strides with the introduction of the CNS, there remains a need to disseminate the key messages and results of the CNS economic modelling, as well as best practice experiences, to industry stakeholders and policymakers in Kazakhstan through various dialogue platforms. This will help enhance their understanding of the necessary technological and infrastructural transformations and the associated macroeconomic indicators. The individual measure tackles these challenges by creating opportunities for dialogue and knowledge transfer.

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The main target group of the measure is industry and energy associations as well as private sector mediators. The secondary target group includes relevant ministries and subordinate authorities, as well as facilitators of stakeholder dialogue between public and private sectors, such as civil society actors and media.

The project aims to support the national dialogue with industry associations and mediators and single companies to identify possible low-carbon business models for industries and support the implementation of decarbonization policies.

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The target industries will be selected according to their carbon footprint, their exposure to the global economy, and the openness of their executives to engage within a global dialogue.

Project Objective

The project aims to support the implementation of the CNS and improve the institutional and technical capacities for its realization. It seeks to foster dialogue and knowledge transfer among industry associations, policymakers, and the public. The project also aims to raise awareness about the benefits and requirements of adapting to global decarbonization trends and to support the implementation of decarbonization policies.

Thematic Priorities, Activities and Results

The project is structured around three main outputs:

1. Institutional and technical capacity building, including:

- Development of sector-specific business models for selected industries and making them available to industry associations.
- Capacity development measures for industry leaders, including study tours and hands-on training.

2. Facilitation of dialogue between industry and policy makers, including:

- Presentation of an industry white paper on industry needs in the time of decarbonization to decision makers.
- Implementation of at least five dialogue measures to support dialogue between the selected target group and policy makers from different sectors.

3. Raising awareness among different stakeholder groups, including:

- Development and implementation of a media campaign on low-carbon transformations in the key sectors.
- Production and dissemination of information in media.

Partner organizations

- › Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- › Kazakhstan Association of Regional Environmental Initiatives "ECOJER"
- › Association for Renewable Energy Sources "Qazaq Green"

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