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### **The Paris Agreement – Four Pillars**

1/The Agreement

2/NDCs

3/Finances

4/Global Climat Agenda

The Paris Agreement's aim is to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius. Additionally, the agreement aims to strengthen the ability of countries to deal with the impacts of climate change. To reach these ambitious goals, appropriate financial flows, a new technology framework and an enhanced capacity building framework will be put in place, thus supporting action by developing countries and the most vulnerable countries, in line with their own national objectives. The Agreement also provides for enhanced transparency of action and support through a more robust transparency framework. There will be a global stocktake every 5 years to assess the collective progress towards achieving the purpose of the Agreement and to inform further individual actions by Parties.



The twenty-first session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 21) in Paris provided a platform - the Global Climate Action Agenda - for local authorities, associations, civil society, companies to demonstrate their unprecedented commitments to climate action. The main goal of the Global Climate Action agenda is to help quickly mobilize action on a sufficient scale and to reap the benefits in efficiency and effectiveness that can come through partnerships and coordination.

### Who and When ?

Who? 195 countries signed the Agreement

116 countries ratified it

5,000 companies representing over USD \$38 trillion in revenue acted on climate change

more than 10 000 commitments and 100 initiatives/coalitions – France supports and promotes 20 of them. Either because it has a specific political interest, or to wide-spread its capacity building possibilities.

#### When?

At the COP21, it was agreed that mobilizing stronger and more ambitious climate action by all Parties and non-Party stakeholders was urgently required if the goals of the Paris Agreement are to be achieved. And since then, it has been a long standing process which was supported by each of the subsequent COP Presidencies (Marocco, Fidji).



# Why and How ?

- Different types of GCA initiatives
  - Pledge
  - Project oriented
  - Ombrella / focus
  - Capacity building
  - Technology and innovation transfer



### Tools

#### The Yearbook

It is the recognition of Marrakech Partnership action in support of the Paris Agreement to show governments the value of outreach by the climate champions (GCAA) demonstrate the powerful potential of the Paris Agreement as an engine of transformative change.

#### The Talanoa dialogue

Talanoa is a traditional word used in Fiji and across the Pacific to reflect a process of inclusive, participatory and transparent dialogue. The purpose of Talanoa is to share stories, build empathy and to make wise decisions for the collective good. The process of Talanoa involves the sharing of ideas, skills and experience through storytelling

#### => The continuous support of the French governement in different ways (finances, political)



# **Tasks (among others)**

Engaging with interested Parties and non-Party stakeholders, including furthering the voluntary initiatives of the Lima–Paris Action Agenda

- 1. Building on existing initiatives, and supporting new and more geographically diverse initiatives
- 2. Connecting initiatives and coalitions with national action plans such as nationally determined contributions (NDCs)
- 3. Bringing more transparency, tracking results and demonstrating credibility

==> Providing guidance to the secretariat on the organization of technical expert meetings, and working with the Executive Secretary and the current and incoming Presidents of the Conference of the Parties to coordinate annual high-level events



### **Specific Examples**











# **Thank You**



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