



CCAP

Climate Policy in Action
#ClimateAction

CCAP's mission is...

to support every step of climate action, from ambition to implementation. A recognized world leader in climate policy and action, CCAP creates innovative, replicable climate solutions, strengthens capacities, and promotes best practices across the local, national, and international levels to accelerate the transition to a net-zero, climate resilient future.



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Level of engagement

CCAP works at the local, national, and international levels, allowing us to bring lessons learned from our projects to inform international negotiations and vice versa.



On-the-ground policies and actions

CCAP supports developing countries in crafting national climate action plans, sector-based strategies and pilot projects aimed at realizing transformative outcomes. This support includes understanding barriers that impact low-carbon investments and identifying targeted policy solutions and financial mechanisms. CCAP helps countries consider the potential roles of domestic actions, international financial support, and carbon markets to shift public and private investments. CCAP also prepares compelling, high quality proposals that can win financial support for implementation.



National and regional policy dialogue

CCAP convenes national and regional policy dialogues aimed at building capacity and enhanced consensus around key policy outcomes. Depending on the intentions of the dialogue, CCAP fosters north-south and south-south learning, supports consideration of the benefits and setbacks for different approaches, helps identify best practice solutions and those that will fit the particular national context(s), and educates participants on practical steps for implementation. Dialogues are used to engage potential bilateral and multilateral sources of financial support. These processes are bottom-up, driven by the needs of policy makers towards reaching national climate goals.



International negotiations

CCAP prepares submissions, thought pieces, and policy recommendations to support ambitious climate outcomes. Our current work fosters agreement around Article 6 rules and guidelines that avoid double counting and strengthen NDCs. Our work aims to bolster GCF actions towards paradigm-shifting investments.



Lines of action

Our programs – **climate finance, carbon markets, and methane mitigation** – are not siloed entities working on different issues. They are buckets of expertise from which we draw resources to share knowledge across all levels of societal organization. Our passion is establishing best practices and bringing diverse actors together to address the crisis of climate change.

Carbon Markets



Carbon markets offer significant opportunities to companies, governments, and communities. CCAP tracks and enhances its benefits with environmental integrity as a tool to guarantee the long-term operation of carbon markets through holistic analyses, interconnecting the demand opportunities with high-quality programs.

CCAP bases its action on the critical role of local communities, focusing on co-benefits in markets as a pillar for the climate action permanence. CCAP facilitates the assessment of the impacts of private voluntary carbon markets implementation on the local level.

Methane Mitigation



CCAP works to accelerate the implementation of methane mitigation projects in the waste sector and create enabling conditions for a sustained expansion of organic waste management technologies that provides significant environmental, economic, and social benefits.

For example, working with the Global Methane Hub to provide technical and financial support to accelerate the implementation of projects, advance policy frameworks, and increase capacities and knowledge exchange in six countries in Latin America.

Climate Finance

CCAP works to accelerate transformative climate finance by mobilizing financial resources from the public and private sector and raising ambition to drive the decarbonization pathway and net-zero emissions in 2050.



For example, working with the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency (ICAT) to implement climate finance methodologies and strengthening their transparency capacities at the national level.



Our Impact

Clean Air Act

CCAP worked to usher in a new era in environmental policy by helping design and push for the inclusion of a market-based acid rain control program in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

European Union Emissions Trading System

CCAP worked with stakeholders on Minnesota's Mercury Contamination Reduction Initiative Advisory Council to develop a cost-effective program that included emissions banking to encourage voluntary and early reduction of mercury emissions.

U.S. State Climate Program

CCAP's policy and technical assistance program for U.S. states to develop and implement comprehensive GHG reduction programs across multiple sectors assisted New York, Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, and Oregon in conducting policy analyses and designing sector-specific policies and market-based programs.

California Climate Legislation

CCAP developed a major study on policy options in the electric power, industry, transportation, agriculture and forestry sectors, including the potential for each sector to participate in market-based compliance approaches, which supported the establishment of a state-wide mitigation goal and helped shape AB-32, California's landmark climate legislation.

1990

1997

1999

2003

2006

2011

Kyoto Protocol

CCAP played an important role in designing the flexibility mechanisms (including the Clean Development Mechanism and international emissions trading) of the Kyoto Protocol.

U.S. Federal Nitrogen Oxide Regional Emissions Control Program

CCAP played a central role in the 37-state Ozone Transport Assessment Group (OTAG) through a CCAP-led NO_x Strategy Group which provided a series of economic analyses of different NO_x control options.

European Union Emissions Trading System

CCAP was chosen by the European Commission as the lead designer on an international, multidisciplinary team that put together the first greenhouse gas emissions trading system for the Environment Directorate General of the European Commission.

Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs)

CCAP supported the design, implementation and financing of innovative policy actions (known as NAMAs) that catalyze private sector investment. These NAMAs form the basis for individual national commitments under the Paris Agreement and serve as strong program proposals to the Green Climate Fund and other donors.

Strong Criteria for Transformational Climate Action

CCAP provides advice to Green Climate Fund (GCF) and NAMA Facility board members, secretariats, and key stakeholders on strong competitive criteria to select mitigation actions for financing.

California Passes a New Law Establishing Community-Scale Emission Abatement Programs

CCAP supported a statewide policy dialogue identifying solutions that were enacted in California's landmark legislation to establish community-scale and community-led emission abatement programs.

GCF Country Program

CCAP supported the development of the GCF Country Programme in six targeted countries (Chile, Ghana, Malaysia, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Uzbekistan) through finance mapping, policy assessment, and stakeholder engagement services.

2012

Colombian Transit-Oriented Development NAMA

The world's first internationally funded transportation NAMA. CCAP partnered with Colombian Development bank FINDETER to deliver \$20 million (USD) in technical and financial resources to catalyze the building of TOD neighborhoods in five cities across Colombia.

2013

2017

Mexico Regulations to Comprehensively Control Methane Emissions from the Hydrocarbon sector

Following a series of capacity support workshops and technical input, the Mexican government officially published regulations expected to reduce methane emissions from the national oil and gas sector by 40-45% by 2025.

2018

2021

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