

# PARTICIPATION PLAN

## Environment Policy Committee

### References:

- 30.04.2013
- 22.01.2014
- 25.02.2016
- 13.07.2016
- 13.12.2016
- 15.09.2017
- 15.05.2018
- 17.04.2018
- 15.10.2018
- 19.10.2018
- 13.09.2019
- 21.07.2021
- 01.06.2022
- 06.07.2022
- 19.03.2024

*\* In line with the Roadmaps for the OECD Accession Process adopted by the Council at Ministerial level on 10 June 2022, Brazil, Bulgaria, Croatia, Peru, and Romania are invited to participate, on the basis of their status as accession candidate countries, in the meetings of all OECD substantive committees and their subsidiary bodies open to participation by all OECD Members. Where they participate on the basis of their status of accession candidate countries, they will participate in all discussions except confidential sessions and have access to related documents but they will not take part in decision-making. Where they are Associates or Participants in an OECD body in line with the Revised Resolution of the Council on Partnerships in OECD Bodies, they will maintain their status and the corresponding rights and obligations throughout the accession process.*

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| <b>OECD Body</b>  | Environment Policy Committee (EPOC)  |
| <b>Subsidiary bodies to which this Plan applies<sup>1 2</sup></b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint Meetings of Tax and Environmental Experts (joint with the Committee on Fiscal Affairs) (JMTEE)</li> <li>• Joint Working Party on Agriculture and the Environment (JWPAE)</li> <li>• Joint Working Party on Trade and the Environment (JWPTE)</li> <li>• Working Party on Biodiversity, Water and Ecosystems (WPBWE)</li> <li>• Working Party on Climate, Investment and Development (WPCID)</li> <li>• Working Party on Environmental Information (WPEI)</li> <li>• Working Party on Environmental Performance (WPEP)</li> <li>• Working Party on Integrating Environmental and Economic Policies (WPIEEP)</li> <li>• Working Party on Resource Productivity and Waste (WPRPW)</li> </ul> |
| <b>Global Relations Strategic Directions</b>                      | Approved on: 27 May 2020   |
| ASSOCIATES  |  |

<sup>1</sup> The Working Party on Chemicals, Pesticides and Biotechnology is included in the Participation Plan of the Joint Meeting of the Chemicals Committee and the Working Party on Chemicals, Pesticides and Biotechnology.

<sup>2</sup> The current Participation Plan of the other parent bodies can be found at the following address: <https://www.oecd.org/global-relations/partnershipsinoecdbodies/>.

**Conditions**

- 1) Associate in the EPOC and all its subsidiary bodies:
  - A commitment to provide inputs to the OECD's Environmental Data collection and the Database on Economic Instruments used for Environmental Policies and Natural Resource Management;
  - A willingness by the country to carry out a self-assessment of its Environmental Policy Framework, Priorities and Challenges;
  - A commitment to submit an Environmental Performance Review (EPR);
  - An assessment that satisfies EPOC that the country's policies are broadly compatible with the following Core Principles of EPOC:
    - Applying the Polluter Pays Principle (PPP) so that the costs of pollution prevention and control measures are borne by polluters, and are not generally subsidised by governments;
    - Promoting the use of economic instruments to improve the allocation and efficient use of natural resources and better reflect the social costs of resource use, waste and pollution;
    - Undertaking regular evaluations of the environmental effectiveness and economic efficiency of environmentally-related policy instruments;
    - Supporting environmental impact assessment (EIA) procedures that facilitate the thorough analysis of projects with potentially significant environmental impacts, together with public participation measures for informing and engaging those affected by such projects;
    - Implementing integrated approaches for pollution prevention and control and for the sustainable management of natural resources;
    - Promoting economic and sectoral policies that take into account the need to internalise environmental externalities into economic decisions and practices, and promoting technological and organisational improvements that make the achievement of environmental goals more likely in the future;
    - Ensuring that the generation of waste, including hazardous waste, is reduced, the export of waste for final disposal is minimised and is consistent with the environmentally sound and efficient management of such wastes, and that adequate facilities for the environmentally sound management of waste are made available;
    - Controlling exports and imports of hazardous waste while allowing trade in waste as end-of-life materials and products destined for economically efficient and environmentally sound recovery operations within the OECD area;
    - Ensuring the quality and policy relevance of environmental information and its availability to the public; and

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|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Working closely with OECD and other relevant Partners to address trans-frontier pollution;</li> <li>• Adherence to the Declaration on Green Growth <a href="#">[OECD/LEGAL/0374]</a>;</li> <li>• Adherence to the Recommendation of the Council on Water <a href="#">[OECD/LEGAL/0434]</a></li> <li>• Sharing of information on how the country's domestic policies are being aligned to be consistent with achievement of the climate change emission reduction targets spelt out in article 2 of the Paris Climate Change Agreement.</li> <li>• As appropriate, the acceptance of a similar level of obligations under relevant Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) as those accepted by most or all OECD Member countries.</li> </ul> <p>2) Associate in one or several of the EPOC subsidiary bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not the first two conditions and only those remaining conditions that are relevant to the work of the Working Party in question apply (e.g. for the Working Party on Biodiversity, Water and Ecosystems, only the country's water and biodiversity related policies would be assessed).</li> </ul> |                      |                            |
| <b>Fee</b>       | Lower Part I Associate fee for a Working Party, Higher Part I Associate fee for the Committee <sup>3</sup>  |                      |                            |
| <b>Associate</b> | <b>Bodies to which the invitation applies</b>   | <b>Approval date</b> | <b>Exchange of letters</b> |

<sup>3</sup> The current rates can be found at this address: <https://www.oecd.org/global-relations/partnershipsinoecdbodies/>.

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| Argentina  | JMTEE  | 13.02.2014 | 19.06.2014                 |
| <b>ASSOCIATES IN THE INCLUSIVE FORUM ON CARBON MITIGATION APPROACHES PROJECT ("IFCMA PROJECT")</b> |  |            |                            |
| <b>Conditions</b>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Demonstrate an interest in the mitigation of global greenhouse gas emissions.</li> <li>2) Demonstrate a willingness and ability to contribute actively to the Project, including through policy dialogue, data providing and the provision of requested country data that is reasonably relevant to the work of the Project.</li> <li>3) Demonstrate a willingness to share information to facilitate accurate measurement and analysis of country data.</li> </ol>  |            |                            |
| <b>Fee</b>   | <p>EUR 50 000 for non-Members that are G20 members; EUR 10 000 for other non-Members.</p> <p>Given that the Project involves multiple Committees (Economic Policy Committee, Environment Policy Committee, and the Committee on Fiscal Affairs), the Project Associate fees are not subject to the cap provided for in the final sentence in para. 7. c) of the Annex to the Revised Resolution of the Council on Partnerships in OECD Bodies.<sup>4</sup> Associates in the Project have to pay the full amount of the Project Associate fee even if they are already paying a partnership fee in one or several of the Committees.</p> |            |                            |
| <b>Associate<sup>5</sup></b>   | <b>Approval date</b>   |            | <b>Exchange of letters</b> |
| Argentina  | 01.06.2022   |            | 19.05.2023                 |
| Bulgaria*  | 01.06.2022   |            | 31.03.2023                 |
| Cameroon   | 06.07.2022   |            | 23.06.2023                 |
| Croatia*   | 01.06.2022   |            | 31.03.2023                 |
| Jamaica  | 06.07.2022   |            | 24.05.2023                 |
| Kazakhstan   | 01.06.2022   |            | 14.04.2023                 |
| Malta  | 06.07.2022   |            | 22.03.2023                 |
| Mauritius  | 06.07.2022   |            | 14.03.2023                 |
| Nigeria  | 06.07.2022   |            | 30.07.2023                 |
| Peru   | 01.06.2022   |            | 15.06.2023                 |
| Philippines  | 06.07.2022   |            | 20.04.2023                 |

| Romania*                     | 01.06.2022                             | 31.03.2023  |                   |
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| Singapore                    | 01.06.2022                             | 24.02.2023  |                   |
| Uruguay                      | 01.06.2022                             | 15.05.2023  |                   |
| Zambia                       | 06.07.2022                             | 29.03.2023  |                   |
| PARTICIPANTS                 |  |   |                   |
| Participant                  | Bodies to which the invitation applies | Approval date   | Acceptance letter |
| Brazil*                      | JWPTE                                  | 28.05.2003  | Not available     |
|                              | JMTEE                                  | 23.03.2016<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 29.12.2016        |
| Bulgaria*                    | All, except the JWPPE                  | 21.07.2021  | 12.08.2021        |
| China (People's Republic of) | JMTEE                                  | 06.05.2004<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | Not available     |
| Hong Kong (China)            | JWPTE                                  | 24.11.1994  | Not available     |
| India                        | JMTEE                                  | 13.07.2006<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 02.01.2008        |
| Indonesia                    | JMTEE                                  | 26.05.2016  | 27.06.2016        |

<sup>4</sup> Para. 7. c), final sentence, of the Annex to the Revised Resolution of the Council on Partnerships in OECD Bodies provides that "[t]he aggregate fee to be paid by an Associate in a Part I body, including its subsidiary bodies, projects and the work on an OECD legal instrument, shall not exceed 50 000 euros."

<sup>5</sup> The Partners listed below as Invitees in the IFCMA Project have been invited by Council to become Associates in the IFCMA Project. Until such invitation is accepted, they will remain Invitees.

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|                     |       | The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC.               |               |
| Kazakhstan          | All   | 19.10.2018  | 29.12.2019    |
| Malaysia            | JMTEE | 15.03.2013<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 18.04.2014    |
| Peru*               | JMTEE | 13.09.2019  | 16.10.2019    |
| Russia <sup>6</sup> | JMTEE | 12.03.1998<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | Not available |
| Saudi Arabia        | JMTEE | 15.06.2016<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 18.09.2016    |
| Singapore           | JMTEE | 04.10.2013<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 09.10.2013    |
|                     | JWPTE | 19.03.2024  | 27.03.2024    |
| South Africa        | All   | 17.04.2018  | 20.09.2018    |
| Uruguay             | JMTEE | 25.09.2015<br>The inclusion of this Partner to the JWPTE was subsequently reviewed by EPOC. | 06.10.2015    |

<sup>6</sup> On 8 March 2022, the Council decided an immediate suspension of the participation of the Russian Federation.

### INVITEE LIST<sup>7</sup>

EPOC and all its subsidiary bodies:

| Invitee   | Approval date |
|---|---------------|
| Albania   | 30.04.2013    |
| Algeria   | 30.04.2013    |
| Angola  | 30.04.2013    |
| Argentina (All, except in the JMTEE where Argentina is an Associate)              | 30.04.2013    |
| Benin   | 30.04.2013    |
| Bhutan  | 30.04.2013    |
| Burkina Faso  | 30.04.2013    |
| Cambodia  | 30.04.2013    |
| China (People's Republic of) (All, except the JMTEE where China is a Participant) | 18.03.2013    |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo  | 30.04.2013    |
| Ecuador   | 30.04.2013    |
| Egypt   | 30.04.2013    |
| Ethiopia  | 30.04.2013    |
| Georgia   | 30.04.2013    |
| Guatemala   | 30.04.2013    |
| Honduras  | 30.04.2013    |
| India (All, except JMTEE where India is a Participant)                            | 18.03.2013    |
| Indonesia (All, except JMTEE where Indonesia is a Participant)                    | 18.03.2013    |
| Kenya   | 30.04.2013    |

<sup>7</sup> Partners listed as Invitees may be invited to individual meetings or items subject to an invitation by the concerned committee OR its relevant subsidiary body/ies given that the committee has delegated this decision to its subsidiary body/ies.



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| Kyrgyzstan   | 30.04.2013 |
| Lao People's Democratic Republic   | 30.04.2013 |
| Liberia  | 30.04.2013 |
| Malaysia (All, except the JMTEE where Malaysia is a Participant)             | 30.04.2013 |
| Moldova  | 19.09.2023 |
| Morocco  | 30.04.2013 |
| Mozambique   | 30.04.2013 |
| Nepal  | 30.04.2013 |
| Nigeria  | 30.04.2013 |
| Panama   | 30.04.2013 |
| Paraguay   | 30.04.2013 |
| Philippines  | 30.04.2013 |
| Russia (All, except the JMTEE where Russia is a Participant) <sup>8</sup>    | 30.04.2013 |
| Senegal  | 30.04.2013 |
| Serbia   | 30.04.2013 |
| Singapore (All, except the JMTEE and JWPTE where Singapore is a Participant) | 30.04.2013 |
| Thailand   | 30.04.2013 |
| Tunisia  | 30.04.2013 |
| Uganda   | 30.04.2013 |
| Ukraine  | 30.04.2013 |
| United Arab Emirates   | 30.04.2013 |
| Uruguay (All, except the JMTEE where Singapore is a Participant)             | 30.04.2013 |
| Viet Nam   | 30.04.2013 |

<sup>8</sup> On 25 February 2022, the Council decided to stop all invitations to the Russian Federation in the bodies where it is listed as an Invitee.

In addition for:

- WPBWE:

| Invitee    | Approval date |
|------------|---------------|
| Cabo Verde | 15.05.2018    |
| Tajikistan | 15.09.2017    |

- the IFCMA Project:

| Invitee <sup>9</sup>   | Approval date |
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| Albania                | 06.07.2022    |
| Algeria                | 06.07.2022    |
| Andorra                | 06.07.2022    |
| Angola                 | 06.07.2022    |
| Antigua and Barbuda    | 06.07.2022    |
| Armenia                | 06.07.2022    |
| Azerbaijan             | 06.07.2022    |
| Bahamas                | 06.07.2022    |
| Bahrain                | 06.07.2022    |
| Barbados               | 06.07.2022    |
| Belize                 | 06.07.2022    |
| Benin                  | 06.07.2022    |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | 06.07.2022    |
| Botswana               | 06.07.2022    |
| Brazil*                | 01.06.2022    |
| Brunei Darussalam      | 06.07.2022    |
| Burkina Faso           | 06.07.2022    |

<sup>9</sup> These Partners have been invited by Council to become Associates in the IFCMA Project. Until such invitation is accepted, they will remain Invitees.

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| Cabo Verde                       | 06.07.2022 |
| Cambodia                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Chad                             | 06.07.2022 |
| China (People's Republic of)     | 01.06.2022 |
| Congo                            | 06.07.2022 |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | 06.07.2022 |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | 06.07.2022 |
| Djibouti                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Dominica                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Dominican Republic               | 06.07.2022 |
| Ecuador                          | 06.07.2022 |
| Egypt                            | 01.06.2022 |
| El Salvador                      | 06.07.2022 |
| Eswatini                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Fiji                             | 06.07.2022 |
| Gabon                            | 06.07.2022 |
| Georgia                          | 06.07.2022 |
| Ghana                            | 06.07.2022 |
| Grenada                          | 06.07.2022 |
| Guatemala                        | 06.07.2022 |
| Guinea                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Guyana                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Haiti                            | 06.07.2022 |
| Honduras                         | 06.07.2022 |
| India                            | 01.06.2022 |
| Indonesia                        | 01.06.2022 |

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| Jordan           | 06.07.2022 |
| Kenya            | 06.07.2022 |
| Kiribati         | 06.07.2022 |
| Kuwait           | 06.07.2022 |
| Lebanon          | 06.07.2022 |
| Lesotho          | 06.07.2022 |
| Liberia          | 06.07.2022 |
| Liechtenstein    | 06.07.2022 |
| Madagascar       | 06.07.2022 |
| Malaysia         | 01.06.2022 |
| Maldives         | 06.07.2022 |
| Mali             | 06.07.2022 |
| Marshall Islands | 06.07.2022 |
| Mauritania       | 06.07.2022 |
| Moldova          | 06.07.2022 |
| Monaco           | 06.07.2022 |
| Mongolia         | 06.07.2022 |
| Montenegro       | 06.07.2022 |
| Morocco          | 06.07.2022 |
| Namibia          | 06.07.2022 |
| Nauru            | 06.07.2022 |
| Niger            | 06.07.2022 |
| North Macedonia  | 06.07.2022 |
| Oman             | 06.07.2022 |
| Pakistan         | 06.07.2022 |
| Palau            | 06.07.2022 |

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| Panama                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Papua New Guinea                 | 06.07.2022 |
| Paraguay                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Qatar                            | 06.07.2022 |
| Rwanda                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis            | 06.07.2022 |
| Saint Lucia                      | 06.07.2022 |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | 06.07.2022 |
| Samoa                            | 06.07.2022 |
| San Marino                       | 06.07.2022 |
| Saudi Arabia                     | 01.06.2022 |
| Senegal                          | 06.07.2022 |
| Serbia                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Seychelles                       | 06.07.2022 |
| Sierra Leone                     | 06.07.2022 |
| South Africa                     | 01.06.2022 |
| Sri Lanka                        | 06.07.2022 |
| Tanzania                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Thailand                         | 06.07.2022 |
| Togo                             | 06.07.2022 |
| Trinidad and Tobago              | 06.07.2022 |
| Tunisia                          | 06.07.2022 |
| Tuvalu                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Uganda                           | 06.07.2022 |
| Ukraine                          | 06.07.2022 |
| United Arab Emirates             | 01.06.2022 |

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| Uzbekistan | 06.07.2022 |
| Vanuatu    | 06.07.2022 |
| Viet Nam   | 06.07.2022 |

| OVERVIEW FOR INFORMATION: INVITATIONS TO KEY PARTNERS AS ASSOCIATE, PARTICIPANT OR INVITEE |               |  |
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| Key Partner  | Invitation as | Bodies to which the invitation applies |
| Brazil* <sup>10</sup>  | Participant   | JWPTE                                  |
|  | Participant   | JMTEE                                  |
|  | Invitee       | IFCMA Project                          |
| China (People's Republic of) <sup>11</sup>   | Participant   | JMTEE                                  |
|  | Invitee       | All, except JMTEE<br>IFCMA Project     |
| India <sup>12</sup>  | Participant   | JMTEE                                  |
|  | Invitee       | All, except JMTEE<br>IFCMA Project     |
| Indonesia <sup>13</sup>  | Participant   | JMTEE                                  |
|  | Invitee       | All, except JMTEE<br>IFCMA Project     |
| South Africa <sup>14</sup>   | Participant   | All                                    |
|  | Invitee       | IFCMA Project                          |

<sup>10</sup> Brazil has been invited by Council to become an Associate in the IFCMA Project [01.06.2022]. Until the invitation is accepted, Brazil will remain an Invitee in the IFCMA Project.

<sup>11</sup> China (People's Republic of) has been invited by Council to become an Associate in the IFCMA Project [01.06.2022]. Until the invitation is accepted, China will remain an Invitee in the IFCMA Project.

<sup>12</sup> India has been invited by Council to become an Associate in the IFCMA Project [01.06.2022]. Until the invitation is accepted, India will remain an Invitee in the IFCMA Project.

<sup>13</sup> Indonesia has been invited by Council to become an Associate in the IFCMA Project [01.06.2022]. Until the invitation is accepted, Indonesia will remain an Invitee in the IFCMA Project.

<sup>14</sup> South Africa has been invited by Council to become an Associate in the IFCMA Project [01.06.2022]. Until the invitation is accepted, South Africa will remain an Invitee in the IFCMA Project.