

Date and Time: 8 November 2021 | GMT 14:00 - 15:30 (HYBRID: Virtual and in-person)

Event Title: South Africa’s Just Transition Framework: Start of a journey in delivering a social compact



**PRESIDENTIAL
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As part of its mandate, the [Presidential Climate Commission](#) (PCC) is tasked with developing a framework for a just transition. The framework will serve as a practical guide outlining a spectrum of policy pathways for a climate transition for all parts of society in South Africa, ensuring that the transition to a low-emissions economy and climate resilient society is properly managed, just, and equitable, particularly for the poor, vulnerable, and marginalised.

The PCC and [Africa Climate Foundation](#) (ACF) are co-hosting a side event on 08 November 2021 at the twenty-sixth Conference of the Parties (COP 26). The purpose of the event is to showcase the leadership position that South Africa is taking in its journey towards a just and equitable transition with the PCC seeking to reconcile the views of various social partners on what it will take to achieve a just transition giving effect to evidence-based policy change. The side event will cover key perspectives from a global context and across key South African sectors impacted by the transition such as organised labour, civil society, business and an economic research institute on the risks, opportunities and interventions to ensure that the transition is just and socially inclusive. The platform will also provide a Q&A session which will be opened for discussion.

In building a low-carbon climate-resilient economy and society, we need to ensure decent work for all, social inclusion, and the eradication of poverty. We also need to protect those most vulnerable to climate change, including women, children, people with disabilities, the poor and the unemployed, and protect workers' jobs and livelihoods. The PCC facilitates dialogue between social partners on these issues—and, defining the type of society we want to achieve, and detailed pathways for how to get there since these partners have different perspectives. It is anticipated that inputs and subsequent discussion would contribute to iterative planning processes that can be used to:

- Set criteria and parameters for policymakers and stakeholders;
- Identify priority decisions for the short run (within a long-range perspective); and
- Respond to changing conditions and to new insights and opportunities as they arise.

Speakers:

Scene-Setting: Valli Moosa, Deputy Chair – Presidential Climate Commission (via virtual video)

- Samantha Smith, Director – Just Transition Centre (ITUC)
- Lebogang Mulaisi, Labour Market Policy Coordinator at COSATU and PCC Commissioner
- Shamini Harrington, Vice President for Climate Change at Sasol and PCC Commissioner
- Happy Khambule, Senior Climate and Energy Manager at Greenpeace Africa and PCC Commissioner

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