

## DT TOOLKIT

# Funding climate change adaptation: Tools for advocates on the road to COP26



## THE OUTLOOK:

### Overview of donors' commitments and priorities in the lead-up to COP26 and beyond

Given donors' insufficient funding for international climate change adaptation until 2019 (see ['The baseline'](#)), which has likely been compounded since by the COVID-19 crisis, advocates have a strong case to call on donor government to scale up political commitments and funding for adaptation as part of their global development policies (see ['Cases for investment'](#)). The urgency of this issue is increasingly obvious as the impacts of climate change are already being felt all over the world, with low- and middle-income countries among those hardest hit.

To inform advocates' work as they engage with donors around increasing concessional funding and policy commitments for climate change adaptation in the lead up to COP26 and beyond, these 'profile cards' give overviews of G7 donors' (plus the EU Institutions) major climate change adaptation commitments and priorities in 2021. For each donor, they outline thematic and/or regional priorities for climate change adaptation (including some examples or evidence of these priorities), commitments made toward climate change adaptation in 2021, and what more might be expected at COP26. This is not an exhaustive list and further commitments are likely in the weeks between publication and events of COP26. For even more up-to-date information on donors' climate financing delivered right to your inbox, [sign up](#) to receive the Donor Tracker's Weekly Digest.



## EU INSTITUTIONS

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$4.7 billion in ODA	23% of bilateral allocable ODA	#1 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Increasing support** for international action on adaptation according to EU strategy on adaptation to climate change
-  **Closing climate adaptation financing gap** by mobilizing larger-scale financing including through the European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD+), most of which will be ODA-eligible
-  **Working with African governments** on partnerships for a green transition ahead of COP26 and next EU-Africa Summit
-  **Increasing climate adaptation financing** from the European Investment Bank in 2021-2025, including funding for low- and middle-income countries
-  **Expected COP26 pledges** don't include international climate adaptation financing

#### Key Priorities



##### Countries on the African continent

- [European Green Deal](#) including its 'Farm to Fork' strategy and the [EU strategy](#) on adaptation to climate change
- EU's [roadmap](#) for a new Africa strategy
- 'Post-Cotonou' agreement
- New 'Africa initiative' under Horizon Europe research program



##### Blended finance

- European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD+)



## GERMANY

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$4.6 billion in ODA	22% of bilateral allocable ODA	#2 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  Spending €220 million (US\$246 million) to support low-income countries adapting to the climate crisis
-  Increasing bilateral support for climate risk financing and insurance in low- and middle-income countries by €120 million (US\$134 million)
-  Investing almost €3 million (US\$3 million) in initial funding through a new Africa office of the Global Center on Adaptation in support of the Africa Adaptation Initiative (AAI)
-  **Co-leading work at COP26 on a credible delivery plan** to make sure US\$100 billion climate finance goal is achieved
-  **No public information** on expected commitments at COP26

#### Key Priorities



##### Countries on the African continent

- In line with overarching development strategy; likely to remain a focus beyond federal election in September 2021



##### Food security

- 'One World- No Hunger' (SEWOH); likely to remain a priority beyond the federal election in September 2021



##### Agriculture & water

- Funding pledged at Climate Adaptation Summit will expand support in agricultural sector



## FRANCE

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$2.6 billion in ODA	21% of bilateral allocable ODA	#3 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Contributing €4 million (US\$5 million)** to the CREWS Initiative for early warning services in "Least Developed Countries" and "Small Island Developing States"
-  **Launching PREZODE (PREventing ZOonotic Diseases Emergence)**, a new initiative to prevent future pandemics
-  **Signing action plan** with CGIAR on themes of agriculture and climate change; agro-ecological transitions; and nutrition and sustainable food systems including €12 million (US\$13 million) in funding to CGIAR over three years
-  **Not expected** to make adaptation-related commitments at COP26 beyond what is already outlined in 2021 budget law

#### Key Priorities

-  **Countries on the African continent**
  - In line with overarching development [strategy](#), which focuses on 19 African countries
-  **Multilateralism**
  - Hosted Green Climate Fund's first replenishment in 2019; co-leading the Fund (with Mexico) in 2021
-  **Biodiversity**
  - Hosted [One Planet Summit on Biodiversity](#) in 2021
  - President Emmanuel Macron [called](#) for "new" Paris Agreement on biodiversity




## UNITED KINGDOM

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$1.5 billion in ODA	17% of bilateral allocable ODA	#4 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Leading** an [Adaptation Action Coalition](#) at COP26
-  **Supporting 'least developed' countries' Initiative for Effective Adaptation and Resilience**
-  **Protecting international climate finance** from [cuts](#) to the ODA budget
-  **Investing £120 million (US\$153 million) in building regional disaster response** in low- and middle-income countries
-  **Appointing an International Champion on Adaptation and Resilience** for the COP26 Presidency (Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP)

#### Key Priorities

-  **Indo-Pacific**
  - [Global Britain in a Competitive Age](#)
  - [ASEAN Dialogue Partner](#)
-  **East Africa**
  - New climate initiatives for [Kenya](#)
  - Support for [Ethiopia](#): COVID-19, climate change, and locusts
-  **Disaster preparedness & response**
  - Humanitarian assistance receives [largest](#) amount of climate focused bilateral ODA
-  **Nature-based solutions**
  - Critical [component](#) of climate strategy





## JAPAN

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$760 million in ODA	6% of bilateral allocable ODA	#6 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Committing JPY 6.5 trillion (US\$59.6 billion)** to climate change for 2021 to 2025 and to improve the quality of its climate finance, including further enhancing assistance for adaptation
-  **Initiating project utilizing artificial intelligence** to establish a monitoring and projection system on infrastructure in other countries

#### Key Priorities

-  **Disaster preparedness & response**
  - [Technology sharing](#), given domestic experience with natural disaster recovery and solutions to reduce disaster risk
-  **Infrastructure**
  - Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Climate Cooperation [Strategy](#)



## UNITED STATES

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


### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$568 million in ODA	2% of bilateral allocable ODA	#8 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Tripling adaption finance** by 2024 according to [International Climate Finance Plan](#) (Note: Congress will have considerable say in funding levels)
-  **Focusing on climate-smart development** and sustainable infrastructure according to new [Climate Strategy](#)
-  **Releasing new [Climate Change Strategy](#)** for USAID during COP26

#### Key Priorities

-  **Disaster preparedness & response**
  - USAID climate change [priorities](#)
-  **Agriculture & water**
  - USAID climate change [priorities](#)
-  **Infrastructure**
  - MCC Climate [Strategy](#)
-  **Energy**
  - DFC climate-related [commitments](#)
-  **Nature-based solutions**
  - [Executive Order](#) on Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad







## CANADA

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$524 million in ODA	15% of bilateral allocable ODA	#9 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Doubling its commitment to international climate finance** to [CAD5.3 billion](#) (US\$4.0 billion) over five years – including increased funds for adaptation and biodiversity
-  **Boosting grant component** of international climate finance from [30% to 40%](#)
-  **Co-leading work at COP26** on a credible delivery plan to make sure US\$100 billion climate finance goal is achieved
-  **Launching Canada-African Development Bank Climate Fund** with CAD133 million (US\$100 million) to increase women's economic rights and participation in climate action and grow private investment.

#### Key Priorities

-  **Nature-based solutions**
  - Co-leading the [Nature-Based Solutions Action Track](#)
-  **Gender**
  - [Feminist International Assistance Policy \(FIAP\)](#)
-  **Biodiversity**
  - Host of Convention on Biological Diversity [Secretariat](#), located in Montreal






## ITALY

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### 2019 Bilateral ODA for Climate Adaptation

TOTAL	PRIORITIZATION	RANK
US\$191 million in ODA	18% of bilateral allocable ODA	#15 DAC donor (total spending)

#### Recent Pledges & Initiatives

-  **Hosting pre-COP26 [Summit](#)** in Milan from September 30 to October 2, 2021
-  **Hosting COP26 Youth Summit** in Milan from from September 28-30, 2021
-  **[Nominating a Special Envoy for Climate](#)**
-  **Hosting the [Finance in Common Summit \(FiCS\)](#)**, bringing together all Public Development Banks in Rome from October 19-20, 2021

#### Key Priorities

-  **Agriculture**
  - Working with FAO to scale-up [climate-smart agriculture](#) in Botswana and Ecuador
-  **Multilateralism**
  - [Three Year Programming and Policy Planning Document](#)