



## MOBILIZING THE CO-BENEFITS OF CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION THROUGH CAPACITY BUILDING AMONG PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTIONS [COBENEFITS]

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Successful climate policies depend heavily on the interest in the socio-economic, additional benefits climate protection can generate, including local value creation, jobs, health, water consumption, energy security and access to electricity. The project strengthens the ability of the partner countries' stakeholders to advise ministries on these additional, socio-economic benefits. Together with national knowledge partners, the project therefore points out the additional benefits of national climate change mitigation strategies, with particular emphasis on renewable electricity production. Identified potential is linked to these mitigation strategies in the partner countries, enabling mutual learning between politics, science and multipliers with the ultimate aim of implementing the additional benefits. Communicating this approach also helps to push ahead with the effective implementation of the NDC and to realise planned increases in ambition.

### State of implementation/results

- Presentation of COBENEFITS Policy Reports „Making the Paris Agreement a success for the planet and the people. Unlocking the co-benefits of decarbonising the power sector“.
  - India (2020): [www.cobenefits.info/...](http://www.cobenefits.info/)
  - South Africa (2020): [www.cobenefits.info/...](http://www.cobenefits.info/)
  - Turkey (2020): [www.cobenefits.info/...](http://www.cobenefits.info/)
  - Vietnam (2020): [www.cobenefits.info/...](http://www.cobenefits.info/)
- Short film series on core results of COBENEFITS studies:
  - India: [youtu.be/...](https://youtu.be/)
  - South Africa: [youtu.be/...](https://youtu.be/)
  - Turkey: [youtu.be/...](https://youtu.be/)
  - Vietnam: [youtu.be/...](https://youtu.be/)
- COBENEFITS training took place in Mexico on employment co-benefits (March 2021).
- Analysis of the level of ambition and the role of

## PROJECT DATA

### Country/Countries:

Indien, Kenia, Mexiko, Südafrika, Türkei, Vietnam

### Implementing organisation:

Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) e.V.

### Political partner(s):

- Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) - South Africa
- Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) - South Africa
- Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) - South Africa
- Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources - Turkey
- Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) - India
- Ministry of Environment and Forestry - Kenya
- Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) - Mexico
- Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation (MoEU) - Turkey
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Turkey
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE) - Viet Nam
- Ministry of New and Renewable Energy - India

### Implementing partner(s):

- International Energy Transition (IET) - Germany
- Renewables Academy AG (RENAC)
- Unabhängiges Institut für Umweltfragen e.V. (UfU)

### BMU grant:

€ 5,515,000

### Duration:

03/2017 till 04/2022

### Website(s):

<http://www.cobenefits.info/>

### Fact sheet:





- social and economic Co-Benefits in Vietnam's NDC Update 2020: [www.iass-potsdam.de/...](http://www.iass-potsdam.de/)
- COVID-19 Green Recovery Factsheet published. The factsheet presents renewable energy opportunities for Turkey, South Africa, Vietnam, India and Mexico: [www.international-climate-initiative.com/...](http://www.international-climate-initiative.com/...)
  - At the request of Fridays for Future, the IASS prepared a factsheet on the social and economic opportunities of climate protection and energy system transformation and discussed the Co-benefits studies with students.
  - As part of the project, around 300 employees from government agencies and expert organizations have so far been trained in country-specific socio-economic opportunities for decarbonizing power generation for employment, local income, easing the burden on healthcare systems and securing access to energy in seminars in Berlin, Delhi, Hanoi, Pretoria and Ankara. In addition, some 1400 participants took part in webinars on these topics.
  - Results of the COBENEFITS project were presented at four events at COP25.
  - In her press briefing at COP25 on 13.12.2019 Minister Schulze emphasized the importance of the COBENEFITS project for the South African Just Transition process.
  - Central results of the study series have been presented in low-threshold infographics. The infographics are available on the COBENEFITS website.
  - In October 2019, the project organized the international conference "Climate Opportunity 2019 - Co-Benefits for Just Energy Futures"
  - In 2019, a series of reports on the opportunities of climate protection and energy system transformation in India, South Africa, Turkey and Vietnam was published.
  - Members of the delegations from India, South Africa, Mexico and Vietnam discussed at COP24 in Katowice on invitation of the BMU and IASS the strategic role of co-benefits for the successful implementation and ambition raising of the NDC.
  - COBENEFITS Country Reports for South Africa have been published and handed over to the South African partner ministries.
  - COBENEFITS trainings have been implemented in India, South Africa, Vietnam and Turkey.

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