

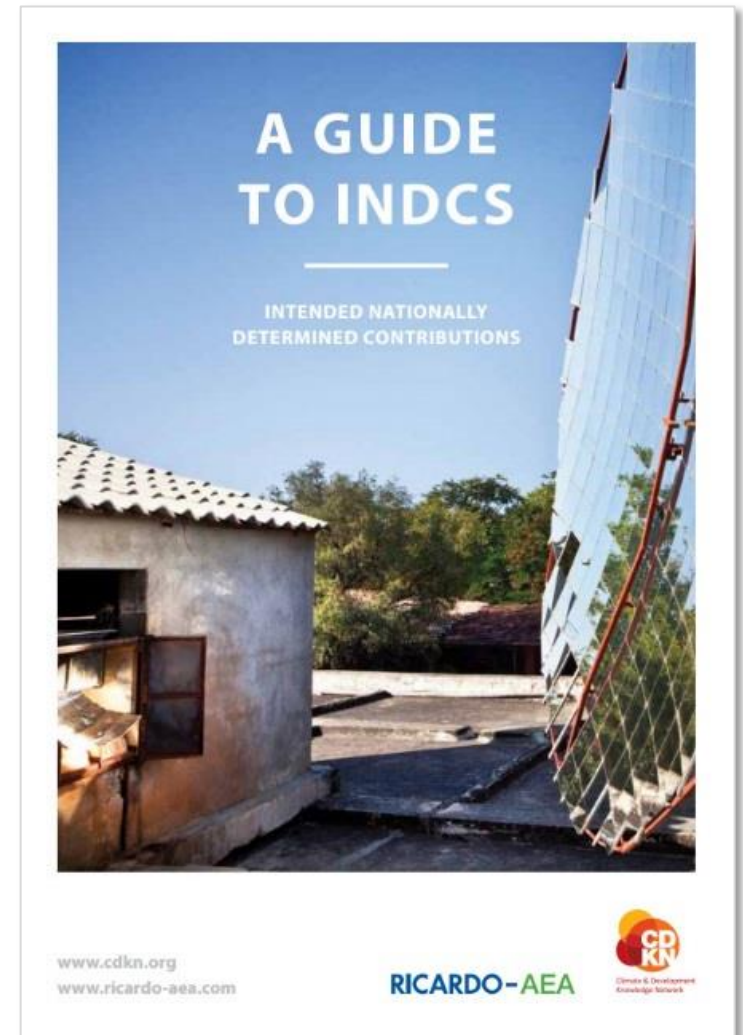


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Why a 'Guide' specifically for LDCs?

- **LDCs face a number of common challenges in the preparation and submission of their INDCs:**
 - low emissions in global perspective - but may wish to reduce future emissions
 - prevailing need for economic development and poverty reduction
 - limited capacity for the development and implementation of their INDC
 - certain levels of ambition are likely to be conditional on international support
 - some of the most climate vulnerable countries - adaptation is a likely major focus
- **A number of LDCs had expressed a need to CDKN for guidance that was more practical and tailored to the needs and circumstances of LDCs**
- **No formal standard template for INDCs exists**

Scope of template

- ✓ A **practical example** of how an INDC could be structured and possible key elements, including the use of tables.
- ✓ Each section **cross-references the relevant text from the UNFCCC** Call to Climate Action (Decision -/CP.20), and lists suggested **data sources** for completing the section.
- ✓ **Illustrative examples** indicate how the template could be completed, as well as how an LDC might approach the narrative for its INDC (examples only, to be tailored in light of national circumstances)
- ✓ Seeks to address the **broad spectrum of approaches** being considered by LDCs in preparing their INDCs (different national circumstances and levels of capacity, preparedness and ambition)
- ✗ The template **does not provide guidance regarding how countries should set the level of ambition** for their INDC – addressed in detail in other guidance documents
- ✗ The template **does not advise how and when stakeholders should be consulted and other national processes** that will be a critical part of drafting and approving the INDC at a country-level – addressed in detail in other guidance documents

How the 'Guide' was developed

- **Consultation with a range of stakeholders was undertaken over March 2015, including:**
 - authors of existing INDC guidance
 - LDC representatives
 - suppliers working with CDKN to support domestic INDC preparations
- **Literature review, including:**
 - existing INDC guidance
 - INDCs published to date
- **Further consultation, including:**
 - release of guide on CDKN's & Ricardo-AEA's websites (13 April)
 - release of guide in at the INDC Workshop in Berlin (14-16 April)
 - regional and global webinars to share guide (April & May)
 - final revisions to guide following feedback & launch of revised guide (early May)

Overview of the Guide

1. **National context** - overall national context for the INDC, inc how actions set out in the INDC fit with national sustainable development priorities & existing plans/strategies
2. **Mitigation**
 - **Contribution** - summary of the mitigation contribution, inc type of contribution, level of ambition and any conditionality that may be relevant.
 - **Detailed information** - detailed information required to allow full understanding of the contribution at the international level and allow comparability
 - **Fair and ambitious** - why the contribution is considered fair and ambitious in light of the country's national circumstances and the Convention's objective
3. **Adaptation** - highlight existing efforts as well as the adaptation contributions countries intend to continue and scale up in future.
4. **Planning process** - existing or planned domestic processes for monitoring and supporting the implementation of the INDC
5. **Means of implementation** - financial, capacity-building, technology transfer or other types of international support related to the INDC