

ENERGY COMPACT

 **EC11: ENABLE THE SDGs THROUGH FAIR AND INCLUSIVE ENERGY TRANSITIONS: Human Rights, Indigenous and Afro-Honduran People in Renewable Energy Generation Projects**



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SECTION 1: AMBITION

1.1. Ambitions to achieve SDG7 by 2030. [Please select all that apply]

(Member States targets could be based on their NDCs, energy policies, national five-year plans etc. targets for companies/organizations could be based on their corporate strategy)

7.1. By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services.

Target(s):

1. Implementation of mechanisms for participation and consultation on energy projects in Honduras for indigenous and Afro-Honduran people.

Time frame: 2030

Context: Since the approval in 2010 of the general medium and long-term development strategy called "Country Vision 2010-2038 and National Plan 2010-2022", the Republic of Honduras has steadily promoted a public policy that seeks to place the country within the international guidelines and standards for the observance of human and environmental rights. Among compliance with the commitments assumed by the country in the international treaties and conventions that were signed and ratified, it is worth mentioning Agreement 169 of the International Labor Organization (ILO) on indigenous and tribal peoples, Paris Agreement, Sustainable Development Goals (2015-2030).

The relationship between indigenous and Afro-Honduran people and energy generating companies is an essential and priority aspect of any investment or project, where these populations are identified, since both take advantage of natural resources for the development of their daily activities within their territories; same resources that private companies will need for production. Therefore, it is vital to establish consultation protocols that transversally involve the issue of human rights and ILO Agreement 169 in the areas of influence of energy projects.

According to the Roadmap 2050 (SEN, 2021), there are currently more than USD \$165 million that are in danger of being lost, because of the social conflicts that have arisen in the country. The Ministry of Energy believes that these social conflicts arise because of socialization problems and poor consideration and inclusion of the communities in the areas of influence of these projects in the decision-making processes of the projects in question. Therefore, applying mechanisms that ensure the inclusion and involvement of these communities in energy projects is key to ensure that these social conflicts are generated and, on the contrary, generate direct and indirect benefits for energy projects.

Likewise, the Roadmap 2050, one of the main problems of why social conflicts happen, is due to the ignorance of the population and public institutions on energy matters. At the same time, the lack of knowledge on the part of the State institutions on cultural issues specific to indigenous and Afro-Honduran peoples has repercussions in a lack of mutual understanding that puts at risk processes of socialization, awareness and negotiation on the various externalities that arise. give in various energy projects.

SECTION 2: ACTIONS TO ACHIEVE THE AMBITION

2.1. Please add at least one key action for each of the elaborated ambition(s) from section 1. *[Please add rows as needed].*

7.1. *By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services.*

December 2021 until June 2030

1. Construction and implementation of mechanisms for participation and consultation on energy projects in Honduras for indigenous and Afro-Honduran people.

- *Technical advice and share of experiences to promote communication, consultation, and participation processes; previous, free, prior informed consent (FPIC) of the indigenous communities and peoples in Honduras through cooperating countries and the region, considering human rights focus and ILO Agreement 169.*
- *Creation of a multisectoral table with the participation of key actors (public, private, and civil society sectors), for the generation of the technical, economic, social, and environmental bases of protocols.*
- *Characterize the typologies of community relations conflict in Honduras, applied to power generation projects and indigenous and Afro-Honduran people.*
- *Characterize the roles of public and private sector institutions involved in conflict prevention.*
- *Prepare an Action Plan for the Prevention of Social and Environmental Conflicts.*
- *Prepare informed methodology to be used in the workshop for the construction of the Consultation Protocol for indigenous and Afro-Honduran populations.*
- *Socialization, construction, and validation of the Free, Prior and Informed Consent Protocol (FPIC) with indigenous and Afro-Honduran people.*
- *Prepare the Free, Prior and Informed Consent protocol for energy projects for each of the identified towns.*
- *Systematize the process of socialization, construction, and validation of the Protocol for the FPIC on energy projects.*
- *Develop the methodological transfer on the process of socialization, construction, and validation of the Protocol for the FPIC on energy projects.*
- *Prepare the document of recommendations to include the instrument in current environmental legislation.*
- *Validation of the Prior and Informed Consent Protocol for indigenous and Afro-Honduran population.*
- *Accompaniment to private companies for the implementation of the Prior and Informed Consent Protocols for indigenous and Afro-Honduran population.*

SECTION 3: OUTCOMES

3.1. Please add at least one measurable and time-based outcome for **each** of the actions from section 2. *[Please add rows as needed].*

<i>Result 1.1. Socio-environmental conflict prevention strategy with its action plan.</i>	<i>June 2025</i>
<i>Result 1.2. Consent protocol (free, prior, and informed) for indigenous and Afro-Honduran people on energy projects.</i>	<i>June 2025</i>
<i>Result 1.3. Action Plan for the Prevention of Social and Environmental Conflicts.</i>	<i>June 2025</i>
<i>Result 1.4. Recommendations document for the implementation and inclusion of the tool in national legislation.</i>	<i>June 2030</i>

SECTION 4: REQUIRED RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

4.1. Please specify required finance and investments for **each** of the actions in section 2.

Activity	Supplies	Value (USD)
Implementation of mechanisms for participation and consultation with indigenous and Afro-Honduran people on energy projects in Honduras.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting logistics for transfer of experiences • Logistics for sectoral table discussion meetings • Preparation of TDR • Hiring of consultancy for the elaboration of protocols • Implementation of protocols 	USD \$750,000.00
TOTAL		USD \$ 750,000.00

4.2. [For countries only] In case support is required for the actions in section 2, please select from below and describe the required support and specify for which action.

[Examples of support for Member States could include: Access to low-cost affordable debt through strategic de-risking instruments, capacity building in data collection; development of integrated energy plans and energy transition pathways; technical assistance, etc.]

<input type="checkbox"/> In-Kind contribution	
<input type="checkbox"/> Technical Support	<i>Hiring of consultants to elaborate protocols.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other/Please specify	The financing of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (US \$750,000.00) is required.

SECTION 5: IMPACT

5.1. Countries planned for implementation including number of people potentially impacted.

Participation of at least 50 people in the construction and socialization workshops for the Free, Prior and Informed Consent protocols for energy projects in the regions determined by the Executive Direction of the National Plan.

Participation of at least 40% of women in the construction and socialization workshops.

5.2. Alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development – Please describe how each of the actions from section 2 impact advancing the SDGs by 2030.

[up to 500 words, please upload supporting strategy documents as needed]

The creation of a multisectoral table with key actors, the characterization of community conflict, the preparation of actions plans and the preparation of social protocols contribute to SDG 1 poverty reduction, SDG 5 gender equality, SDG 7 affordable and clean energy and SDG 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions.

5.3. Alignment with Paris Agreement and net-zero by 2050 - Please describe how each of the actions from section 2 align with the Paris Agreement and national NDCs (if applicable) and support the net-zero emissions by 2050. *[up to 500 words, please upload supporting strategy documents as needed]*

Each of the proposed actions take into account what is established in OBJ 2 of the NDC Sustainable rural Development (SAM) by promoting the sustainable development of the country's communities through the implementation of policies and measures that contribute to improving the rural livelihoods for social well-being, promoting the conservation, protection and improvement in the efficiency of the use of land resources, water, plant and animal genetic capital, the development of new appropriate, adapted and focused technologies with special attention to the strengthening of the livestock sector and family agriculture, to contribute to the reduction of the country's food and nutritional insecurity.

SECTION 6: MONITORING AND REPORTING

6.1. Please describe how you intend to track the progress of the proposed outcomes in section 3. Please also describe if you intend to use other existing reporting frameworks to track progress on the proposed outcomes.

Monitoring 1: A workshop held on the sharing of experiences.

Monitoring 2: Workshop logs and socializations protocols.

Monitoring 3. Monthly reports on the progress of the consultancy for the elaboration of the protocols.

Monitoring 4. Two annual multi-sector board meetings.

SECTION 7: GUIDING PRINCIPLES CHECK LIST

Please use the checklist below to validate that the proposed Energy Compact is aligned with the guiding principles.

Stepping up ambition and **accelerating action** - Increase contribution of and accelerate the implementation of the SDG7 targets in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development for Paris Agreement

I.1 Does the Energy Compact strengthen and/or add a target, commitment, policy, action related to SDG7 and its linkages to the other SDGs that results in a higher cumulative impact compared to existing frameworks? X Yes No

I.2 Does the Energy Compact increase the geographical and/or sectoral coverage of SDG7 related efforts? X Yes No

I.3 Does the Energy Compact consider inclusion of key priority issues towards achieving SDG7 by 2030 and the net-zero emission goal of the Paris Agreement by 2050 - as defined by latest global analysis and data including the outcome of the Technical Working Groups? X Yes No

II. Alignment with the 2030 agenda on Sustainable Development Goals – Ensure coherence and alignment with SDG implementation plans and strategies by 2030 as well as national development plans and priorities.

II.1 Has the Energy Compact considered enabling actions of SDG7 to reach the other sustainable development goals by 2030? X Yes No

II.2 Does the Energy Compact align with national, sectoral, and/or sub-national sustainable development strategies/plans, including SDG implementation plans/roadmaps? X Yes No

II.3 Has the Energy Compact considered a timeframe in line with the Decade of Action? X Yes No

III. Alignment with Paris Agreement and net-zero by 2050 - Ensure coherence and alignment with the Nationally Determined Contributions, long term net zero emission strategies.

III.1 Has the Energy Compact considered a timeframe in line with the net-zero goal of the Paris Agreement by 2050? X Yes No

III.2 Has the Energy Compact considered energy-related targets and information in the updated/enhanced NDCs? X Yes No

III.3 Has the Energy Compact considered alignment with reaching the net-zero emissions goal set by many countries by 2050? X Yes No

IV. Leaving no one behind, strengthening inclusion, interlinkages, and synergies - Enabling the achievement of SDGs and just transition by reflecting interlinkages with other SDGs.

IV.1 Does the Energy Compact include socio-economic impacts of measures being considered? X Yes No

IV.2 Does the Energy Compact identify steps towards an inclusive, just energy transition? X Yes No

IV.3 Does the Energy Compact consider measures that address the needs of the most vulnerable groups (e.g. those impacted the most by energy transitions, lack of energy access)? X Yes No

V. Feasibility and Robustness - Commitments and measures are technically sound, feasible, and verifiable based a set of objectives with specific performance indicators, baselines, targets and data sources as needed.

V.1 Is the information included in the Energy Compact based on updated quality data and sectoral assessments, with clear and transparent methodologies related to the proposed measures? X Yes No

V.2 Has the Energy Compact considered inclusion of a set of SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, resource-based and time based) objectives? X Yes No

V.3 Has the Energy Compact considered issues related to means of implementation to ensure feasibility of measures proposed (e.g. cost and financing strategy, technical assistant needs and partnerships, policy and regulatory gaps, data, and technology)? X Yes No

SECTION 8: ENERGY COMPACT GENERAL INFORMATION

8.1. Title/name of the Energy Compact

Human Rights, Indigenous and Afro-Honduran people in Renewable Energy Projects

8.2. Lead entity name (for joint Energy Compacts please list all parties and include, in parenthesis, its entity type, using entity type from below)

The leading entity is the Secretariat of State in the Energy Office (SEN), the organizations and entities to assist in the process of compliance with the agreement are the following:

- *Government: Secretariat of State in the Office of Natural Resources and Environment (MI AMBIENTE), National Directorate of Strategic Planning and Sector Policy (DNPEPES), National Institute of Forest Conservation, Protected Areas and Wildlife (ICF), Presidential Office of Climate Change (Clima +), Presidential Office of Green Economy (OPEV), General Coordination Secretariat of Government (SCGG), Secretariat of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (SRECI), Secretariat of State in the Offices of Indigenous and Afro-Honduran People (SEDINAFROH).*
- *Local government: Municipalities.*
- *Private Sector: Honduran Council of the Private Enterprise (COHEP)*
- *Civil Society: Association of Municipalities of Honduras (AMHON), representative organizations of indigenous people and Afro-descendants among which may be mentioned: National Indigenous Lenca Organization of Honduras (ONILH), Confederation of Indigenous Peoples of Honduras (CONPAH), Honduran Black Fraternal Organization (OFRANEH), Mosquitia Asla Takanka (MASTA) – La Mosquitia Unit and other organizations that will be identified during the processes of linking and forming multisectoral tables.*
- *Multilateral / Cooperation Organization: Central American Bank for Economic Integration, World Bank, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).*

8.3 Leading entity type

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Local/Regional Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Multilateral Agency/Intergovernmental Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Society Organization/Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Institution/Scientific Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Private Sector | <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropic Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Other relevant actor |

8.4. Contact Information

Secretariat of Energy (SEN), Directorate of External Cooperation, E-mail address: dce@sen.hn

8.5. Select the geographical coverage of the Energy Pact

Africa Asia and the Pacific Europe Latin America and the Caribbean North America West Asia Global

8.6. Please select the Energy Compact thematic focus area(s)

Energy Access Energy Transition Enabling SDGs through inclusive Energy Transitions Innovation, technology and data Finance and investments.