



# Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas

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## What is ECPA?

The Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA), is a flexible mechanism through which governments in the Western Hemisphere, on a voluntary basis, may lead multicountry or bilateral initiatives to promote clean energy, advance energy security, fight energy poverty, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions for a sustainable Americas. The goal of ECPA is to foster partnerships across the Americas to achieve low carbon economic growth and development.

## Why was it created?

Leaders of the Western Hemisphere recognize that clean energy is fundamental to the Western Hemisphere's sustainable development and the prosperity of our citizens, and they are committed to expanding cooperation to address the intertwined challenges of energy security and climate change. To strengthen Inter-American collaboration on these issues, at the Fifth Summit of the Americas held in Trinidad and Tobago in April 2009 all countries of the Western Hemisphere were invited to join in an Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA).

## ECPA Clearinghouse

The actions of the ECPA Clearinghouse contribute to build favorable environments for the development of projects, ideas, and initiatives that expand renewable energy and energy efficiency markets in Latin America and the Caribbean Region. To facilitate public understanding of the work underway across the Americas, partners provide updates on their ECPA contributions to the Clearinghouse, a coordinating unit led by the Department of Sustainable Development of the Organization of American States (OAS).

## How to get involved?

ECPA has National Focal Points, Pillar Coordinators and Strategic Regional Partners. All governments are encouraged to participate in ECPA by leading or joining existing or new initiatives focusing on the Seven Pillars. For more information on ECPA initiatives, news, and events, contact us [ecpa\\_clearinghouse@oas.org](mailto:ecpa_clearinghouse@oas.org) or visit: [www.ecpamericas.org](http://www.ecpamericas.org).

## Seven Pillars for a Sustainable Americas

-  Energy Efficiency
-  Renewable Energy
-  Cleaner and More Efficient Use of Fossil Fuels
-  Energy Infrastructure
-  Energy Poverty
-  Sustainable Forest and Land Use
-  Adaptation

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