

# **RINGO and You**

## **Researcher Engagement with COP26**

Wednesday 16 September 2020

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# RINGO and You: Researcher Engagement with COP26

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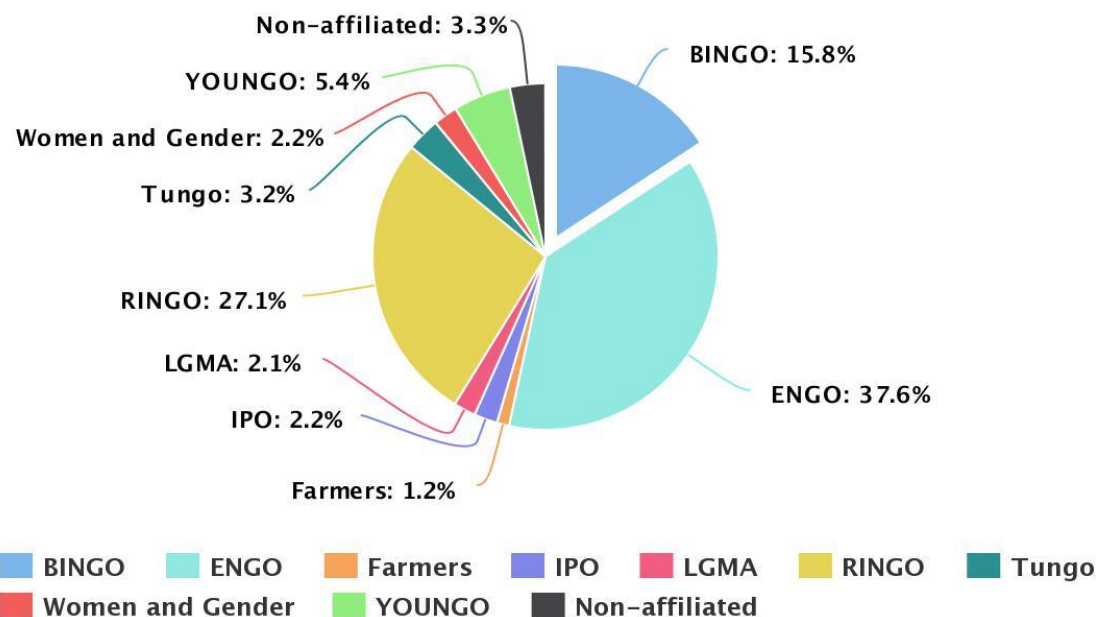
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# Research and Independent NGOs (RINGO)

COP 22/CMP 12/CMA 1 breakdown of attendance of NGO representatives by constituency



- ▶ Second largest constituency of UNFCCC NGO observers
- ▶ > 1000 universities, think tanks, research centers, ...
- ▶ Website, listserv, meeting notes, timely COP and SB information  
<https://ringosnet.wordpress.com/>
- ▶ Access to some events, e.g. size limitations at COPs and intersessional meetings, like those of constituted bodies

# International climate governance



Katowice Committee of Experts on the Impacts of the Implementation of Response Measures (KCI)

Facilitative Working Group on the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform (FWG LCIPP)



# Negotiation agenda

Conference of the Parties  
Twenty-fifth session  
Madrid 2-13 December 2019

## *Adopted agenda*

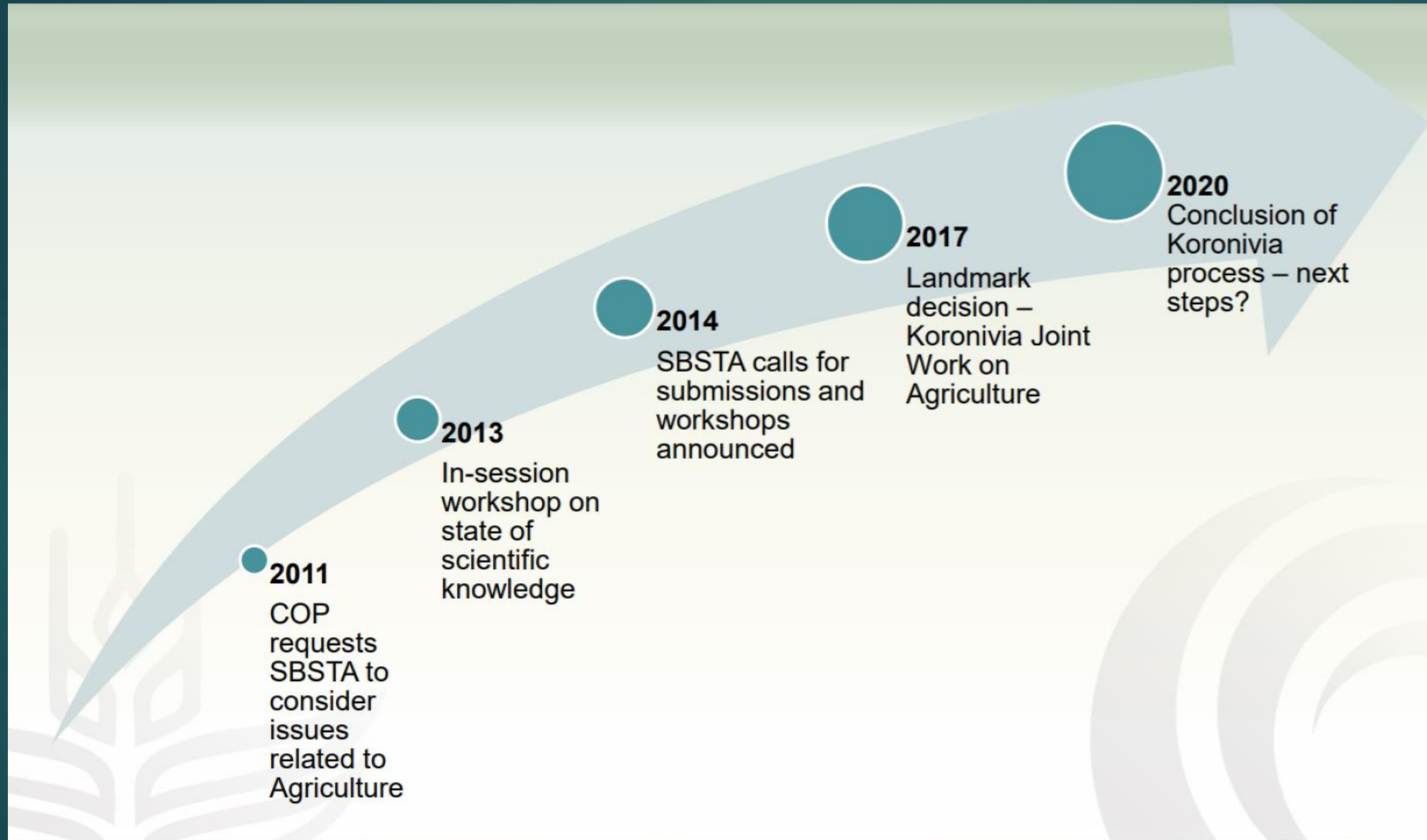
1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
  - (a) Election of the President of the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-fifth session;
  - (b) Adoption of the rules of procedure;
  - (c) Adoption of the agenda;
  - (d) Election of officers other than the President;
  - (e) Admission of organizations as observers;
  - (f) Organization of work, including for the sessions of the subsidiary bodies;
  - (g) Dates and venues of future sessions;
  - (h) Adoption of the report on credentials.
3. Reports of the subsidiary bodies:
  - (a) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice;
  - (b) Report of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation.
4. Reporting from and review of Parties included in Annex I to the Convention.
5. Reporting from Parties not included in Annex I to the Convention.
6. Report of the Adaptation Committee.
7. Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts.<sup>1</sup>
8. Matters relating to finance:
  - (a) Long-term climate finance;
  - (b) Matters relating to the Standing Committee on Finance;

Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice  
Fifty-first session  
Madrid, Spain, 2-9 December 2019

## *Adopted agenda<sup>1</sup>*

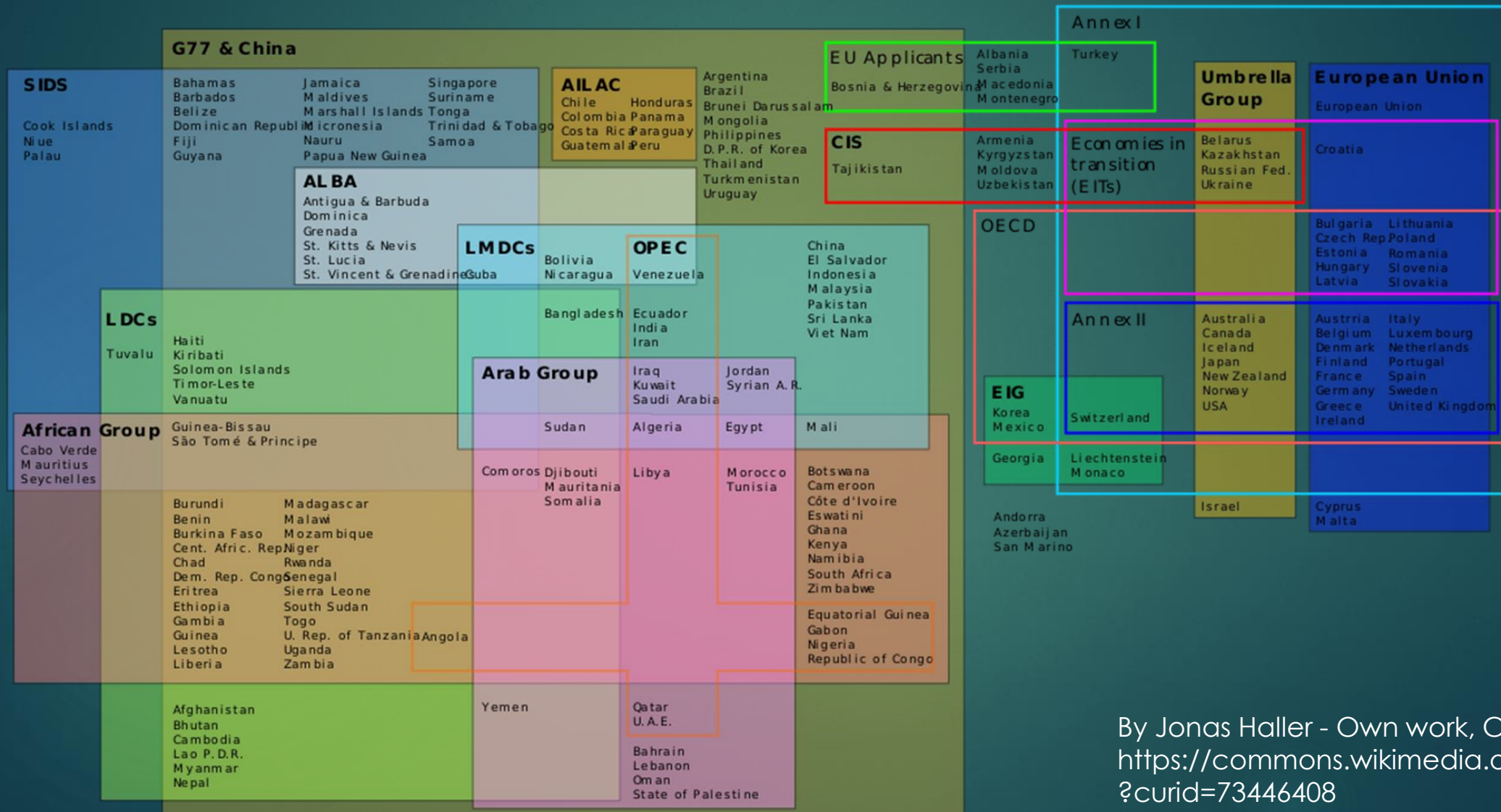
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  - (a) Adoption of the agenda;
  - (b) Organization of the work of the session;
  - (c) Election of officers other than the Chair;
  - (d) Mandated events.
3. Report of the Adaptation Committee.\*
4. Report of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts and the 2019 review of the Mechanism.\*
5. Development and transfer of technologies: joint annual report of the Technology Executive Committee and the Climate Technology Centre and Network.\*
6. Koronivia joint work on agriculture.\*
7. Matters relating to science and review:
  - (a) Scope of the next periodic review of the long-term global goal under the Convention and of overall progress towards achieving it; \*
  - (b) Research and systematic observation.
8. Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform.
9. Matters relating to the forum on the impact of the implementation of response measures serving the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement.\*
10. Methodological issues under the Convention:
  - (a) Revision of the UNFCCC reporting guidelines on annual inventories for Parties included in Annex I to the Convention;

# How issues get on the negotiation agenda



Dhanush Dinesh, Agriculture and the UNFCCC, Negotiating our climate: What is COP and why does it matter?  
Wednesday 25 March 2020

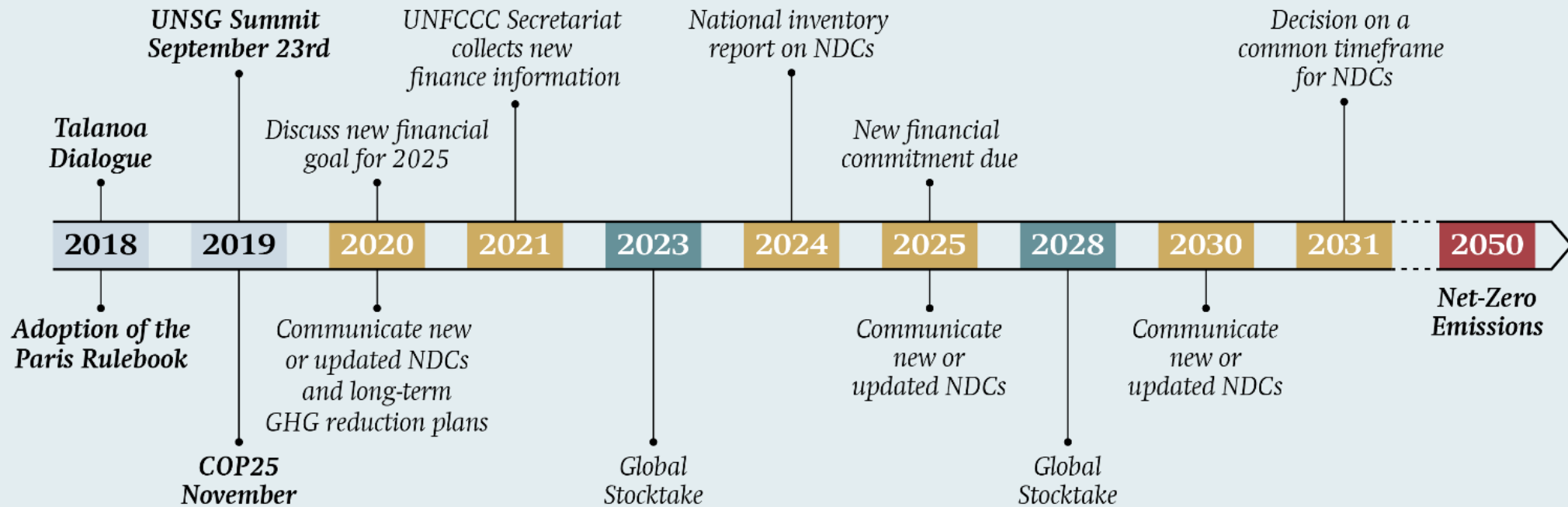
# Parties and their negotiation groups



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# Implementing the Paris Agreement



# In sum

- ▶ Year round opportunities to engage, not just at COPs
- ▶ Shape one's research agenda to address pending Qs on the negotiation agenda
- ▶ Work with NGOs and IGOs who have similar research focus
- ▶ Engage in workshops and other mandated events as experts
- ▶ Make submissions on focused questions
- ▶ Attend constituted body meetings, intervening and serving as expert contributor
- ▶ At COPs and SBs, present at side events, participate in exhibits, poster presentations, pavilion activities in the Blue Zone; also in the Green Zone  
Participate in other international meetings addressing climate change, like the CBD, Ozone Convention, SDG HLPF, IPCC, GEF, GCF
- ▶ Contribute to your country's NDC revision

# From now till COP26

- ▶ Prepare with this webinar: <https://ringosnet.wordpress.com/cop24-ringo-pre-cop-webinar/>
- ▶ Bookmark UNFCCC site and follow Secretariat announcements on Twitter: <https://unfccc.int/>
- ▶ Same with COP26 UK Presidency website: <https://www.ukcop26.org/>
- ▶ Attend virtual events intended to focus attention at times of originally scheduled meetings, e.g. Nov 23-Dec 4 UNFCCC Climate Change Dialogues, November/December 2020 (Climate Dialogues) (akin to June Momentum); UNSG Climate Summit; Climate Champions ...
- ▶ Look for UNFCCC workshop and submissions opportunities
- ▶ UK COP26 initiatives, Presidency scientific committee, COP26 university alliance, ...

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