# COP27 HOW CAN BUSINESSES JOIN GLOBAL CLIMATE CAMPAIGNS



One important outcome for COP26 was making net zero a core principle for businesses. In COP's meetings, countries try to set targets, but it is up to businesses to meet them, since they are the ones most responsible for emissions. On the other hand, businesses will have to follow what their consumers want as reducing emissions starts to settle into the public conscience. COP27 will be another opportunity for businesses to drive more genuine climate action through supply chains and less corporate greenwash. We provide here a quick guide for businesses on how to take part in global pledges.

### **UN led Global Campaigns**



The Race to Zero and Race to Resilience are the UN-led global campaigns that bring together **non-state actors** in taking immediate action to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement

Source: https://unfccc.int/climate-action





## ERACE TO ZERO

The Race to Zero campaign aims to halve emissions by 2030 and eventually reach zero emissions 25 Global Partner initiatives Partner initiatives provide guidance to organizations (including businesses) on how to meet credible climate goals. This allows their climate goals to be recognized by the UN and become science-based, and it enables them to share knowledge and solutions between each other. Lastly, it also gives them access to powerful communications material and allows them to be a part in the run up to and at UN and other climate related events such as the upcoming COP27.



**52** Regions



**1103** Cities



7126 Companies



1103
Educational Institutions



3000+ § 60 Healthcare
Hospitals



**541** Financial Institutions

**24** "Other" Institutions

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Each of these Ps are to be reached on a "starting line" level and a "Leadership practices" level. The starting line is the minimum requirements that the member must adhere and follow in order to join and maintain its membership indicating its eligibility to start reducing emissions but not necessarily its ability to meet its targets.

## BUSINESS 1.5°C













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The Race to Resilience aims to prioritize people and the environment to build stronger capabilities against climate shocks and allow the world to develop despite them. Its focus is to strengthen and help the vulnerable, frontline communities most exposed to the physical impacts of climate change adapt better. Its goals span three area types: **Urban, Rural and Coastal.** 

Delivering action in

#### **Examples of Partners to the Race to Resilience Campaign**



#### **Agriculture 1.5**

Agriculture 1.5 aims to: Increase farmers capacity to regenerate soil health; Increase investment for farmers to change to climate resilient production practices; Increase producer participation in system change discussions.



#### **Water Resilience Coalition**

An initiative of the UN Global Compact committed to accelerating progress against the global water crisis. WRC has a collective goal to positively impact over 100 water-stressed basins globally and to enable equitable access and sanitation to over 100 million people.



## **Climate Heritage Network**

It seeks to aid heritage actors to ensure arts, culture and heritage is integrated into city planning and management in support of climate mitigation and adaptation strategies. The network supports cities, regions, local governments and indigenous peoples.

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## **ORGANIZATION & ATTENDANCE OF COP 27**

There are generally two ways to attend the conference as explained below:

#### **The Blue Zone**

The zone includes the Official Convention Sessions, organized and administered by UNFCCC. Admittance and attendance is only permitted to three groups:

#### **Party** Delegates

## Observers

Media

Official countries' delegates

UN Agencies, NGOs & IGOs

Agencies and individuals

For Profit Companies and Individuals, they are not eligible for direct admission but are usually nominated by admitted organizations (part of the Parties or Non-Parties delegations or both).

#### The Green Zone

Organization is done by the Host Country in a different premises. Attendance is usually open to the general public. This includes country pavilions, public sessions, events...etc. Usually includes Civil Society, Youth Groups, Private Sector, Academia and Scientists showcasing their projects and initiatives.

Green Zone's floor plan in Sharm El Shiekh

