Leveraging NDCs to transition away from fossil fuels and protect biodiversity











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<u>A Sector Case</u>: Shipping, LNG and NDCs

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Setting the Context: Shipping Nexus



Shipping is in the intersection of the triple planetary crisis

It's in the interest of urgent climate action to make equal progress on biodiversity loss and pollution impact.



Climate & Pollution

Efficiency measures to reduce fuel consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, black carbon, spills, and pollution.

Biodiversity: Shipping and MPAs



<u>MPAs are not protected from</u> <u>shipping activities</u>

 A Particularly Sensitive Sea Area (PSSA) is protected from International Shipping due to its recognized ecological, socio-economic, or scientific importance.



Climate: Shipping and NDCs



 International Shipping not included in NDCs and covered by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) conventions



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Sources: International Council on Clean Transportation, Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

Climate: NDCs and Shipping Emissions

- 23 coastal countries included shipping emissions in last NDCs
- Only about **7 countries** have all-emissions net-zero targets

- Cabo Verde
- Canada
- China
- Dominica
- Equatorial Guinea
- Fiji
- Japan
- Monaco
- New Zealand
- Norway
- Republic of Korea
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- United States
- Vanuatu
- Venezuela
- United Republic of Tanzania

Methane's Role in Climate Warming

- <u>Methane</u>: 87x more potent than CO₂ over 20 years
- Global methane emissions are at **record highs**



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Methane and LNG in Shipping



- <u>2012-2018:</u> **150% increase** in methane emissions in shipping due to LNG
- LNG promoted as a "transition fuel" with severe unintended consequences



Source: IMO 4th GHG Assessment

Tackling Methane Reduction from Shipping is Critical and Achievable

<u>Methane</u>: Short-lived (10 years) vs. CO₂ (centuries)

<u>Opportunity</u>: Significant warming reduction in the short-term



Source: Adapted from The Breakthrough Institute

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Recommendations for NDCs and Shipping





Include shipping emissions in NDCs



Target methane emissions as a climate priority



Move away from methane-based (LNG, biomethane, e-LNG) false solutions and MPAs as no-go zone for shipping activities



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