

Green Accountability: Empowering People in Climate Action

What is Green Accountability?

Green accountability means that all members of civil society have the means and ability to participate and influence decisions that shape how climate finance is spent, managed and monitored in their country. It ensures that the global climate finance system is both effective and equitable and places citizens and civil society at the heart of climate finance.

Why is Green Accountability important?

Current global climate finance lacks clear, consistent data on funding flows and decision-makers. This gap leaves many communities without a say in how climate finance is used, or whether it truly addresses their needs.

With the New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG) for climate finance set at COP29, it's crucial to ensure that funds are spent responsibly and effectively. Civil society must be at the center of the conversation to ensure climate finance serves their needs, promotes equity, and achieves meaningful results.

Key Benefits of Green Accountability

- Empowers local communities to have a direct role in shaping climate finance decisions.
- Promotes transparency to make funding flows and decision-making processes clear and accessible.
- Elevates equity in climate finance to address the needs of vulnerable communities.

What is the Green Accountability Community of Practice (CoP)?

The Green Accountability Community of Practice (CoP) is a dynamic, 12-month program that will be conducted in 2025, with the possibility of renewal. It is designed to foster lasting relationships and impacts that extend beyond the funded period, creating a sustainable network of leaders and practitioners working toward green accountability.



Why Join?

The CoP will enable you to identify scalable green accountability innovations and build coalitions to drive meaningful change. This is your chance to connect with like-minded individuals and strengthen the impact of your work. You will find opportunities for peer-to-peer learning, knowledge sharing, and collaborative action as follows:



- **Peer-to-peer learning:** Share your experiences and insights for cross-regional collaboration and knowledge exchange.
- **Co-create knowledge:** Work with a diverse group of practitioners to develop evidence-based products e.g., blogs, research papers, infographics, and more.
- Collective advocacy: Amplify your work by joining forces for collective advocacy, platformbuilding, and joint engagements.
- **Expand your network:** Connect with external practitioners to enhance best practices and broaden your reach.
- Training and resources: Access tailored training and resources to build your skills and enhance your impact.

What are Affinity Groups?

The CoP will create three Affinity Groups on key thematic areas within the green accountability space to offer a space for knowledge-sharing, collaboration, and co-creation based on topics that align with grantees' projects. External organizations are welcome to join and contribute insights and expertise. The affinity groups are:

Enabling greater transparency through data/ information mechanisms and processes for civil society.

Partners in Bangladesh, Brazil, and Mexico are working to make climate data portals more accessible to Indigenous groups and community leaders. Enhancing advocacy and engagement channels for inclusive policy processes.

Partners in Senegal are helping communities navigate the opportunities and challenges of energy transitions and enhancing advocacy in adaptation strategies, amongst other issues.

Bolstering accountability through increased awareness raising and enhanced capacities related to climate finance.

Partners in Cameroon are assisting local authorities in identifying and tracking climate finance within municipal budgets.



Get Involved

- If your organization is working on green accountability at the country, regional, or international level, we invite you to register here and learn more about the CoP.
- If you want to contribute or benefit from one of the affinity groups, email CoP Manager, Hannah Sack at hannah@southsouthnorth.org to schedule a one-on-one meeting.

The Green Accountability Platform provides strategic finance to CSOs to make climate finance governance for climate mitigation and adaptation more transparent, participatory and accountable; delivering over \$2m in finance through grants to 25 CSOs in Bangladesh, Brazil, Cameroon, Mexico, and Senegal. The Platform is managed by a consortium comprising World Resource Institute (WRI), Huairou Commission and SouthSouthNorth (SSN), with support from the Global Partnership for Social Accountability (GPSA) of the World Bank Group.