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IKI Alliance Mexico Newsletter



News from IKI projects in Mexico

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Dear reader,

We are pleased to share our very first "IKI Alliance Mexico" Newsletter! So far, you have received the "climate.blue" Newsletter. Our new IKI Alliance Mexico Newsletter now covers the entire project portfolio of the International Climate Initiative (IKI) in Mexico, financed by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB). Currently, more than ten organizations are implementing approximately 40 IKI projects in Mexico. This newsletter is administered by the "Mexican–German Climate Change Alliance" (a bilateral IKI project) and informs you every three months about relevant news and events of Mexican IKI projects as well as new developments in Mexican climate and biodiversity policy. With our Newsletter and our soon to be launched new blog we aim to promote exchange and synergies among IKI projects in Mexico. If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please unsubscribe at the bottom.

We wish you an interesting read!

Highlights from our IKI projects in Mexico

A look at REDD+ in Mexico: CIFOR makes available the results of studies and resources

The Project “Multilevel Governance and Management of Carbon at a Landscape Scale” provides access to studies, articles and videos on MRV and multilevel governance to reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+) in Mexico. [Continue Reading](#)



Biosphere Reserve “El Triunfo” in Chiapas

IKI projects support NDC implementation at all government levels



Workshop participants

Various IKI projects support Mexico in the implementation of its NDC at international, national and subnational level. One recent example is a series of four regional workshops that brought together a total of 30 out of 32 federal Mexican states with the aim of identifying pathways to integrate their climate actions into the NDC, sharing experiences and forging synergies between regions and states. [Continue reading](#) and find out more about the [first](#) (in German), [second](#) and [third](#) workshop, as well as [financing strategies for the implementation of the Mexican NDC](#) (in German). Moreover, the federal state of [Sonora](#) has approved its climate change law, while [Jalisco](#) is working to achieve more transparent processes for its Environmental Fund. At international level, Mexico brought together ten Latin American and Caribbean countries, to discuss [long term Green Growth strategies](#) for the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

Celebration of four years of cooperation for sustainable housing in Mexico:

» [NAMA Facility](#)

Environmental, social and fiscal benefits of abolishing inefficient fossil fuels subsidies:

» [IFFS \(in German\)](#)

International Conference on Renewable Energies takes place for the first time in Mexico:

» [MEXIREC](#)

New IKI projects have kick-started



Several new IKI projects have started their operations in Mexico over the past couple of months, including four bilateral projects. Moreover, a number of regional and global projects are in the process of starting their operations in Mexico. Find out more about some of the new IKI projects:

- [Co-creation of a digital solution for Climate Change Adaptation](#)
- [Launch of new IKI project: ecosystem-based adaptation with the tourist sector \(ADAPTUR\)](#)
- [Launch of IKI Program “Climate Protection in Mexico’s Urban Policy” \(CiClim\)](#)
- [The Mexican-German program for the preparation of an Emissions Trading System in Mexico is launched](#)
 - [Does an optimal mix for a carbon pricing policy exist to meet Mexican reduction targets? \(in German\)](#)
 - [Preparation of an Emissions Trading Scheme in Mexico - Experiences from Germany \(in German\)](#)

Biodiversity



Isabel Island National Park in the Gulf of California

The BioMar Program has successfully completed a work plan that ensures a baseline of Ecological Scorecards for all Natural Protected Areas of the Gulf of California. The scorecards and reports contribute to the national objectives for fulfilling Aichi Target 11 of the Convention on Biological Diversity as well as Sustainable Development Goal 14: Life below water of the Agenda 2030. [Continue reading](#)

The "Ecological Rehabilitation and Mangrove Forestry" training course aims to strengthen key players' capacities regarding restoration and sustainable management of mangroves. Pronatura Veracruz works with 54 international experts to create a knowledge base on this crucial topic. [Continue reading \(in German\)](#)



Mangrove restoration

Mexico at COP23



COP23 climate talks in Bonn and Mexico's efforts to implementing the Paris Agreement

After Paris and Marrakesh, Bonn hosted the 23rd Conference of the Parties (COP23) of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change under the Presidency of the Republic of Fiji. For two weeks, delegates from 197 countries negotiated how to effectively implement the Paris Agreement. The kick-off on 6th of November was marked by a unified call to further strengthen the global response to climate change. [Continue reading](#)

- The article "Enabling subnational climate action through multinivel governance" is presented at COP 23
- [Towards implementation of the Paris Agreement: Countries develop their first implementation plans](#)


Study trip on water and climate adaptation to Germany and the Netherlands

Mexican water and climate adaptation experts interchange experiences with Dutch and German officials during two week study trip in Europe

Representatives from various Mexican institutions traveled to the Netherlands and Germany to reflect and exchange



experiences on water-related adaptation actions established in Mexico's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) to the Paris Agreement. [Continue reading](#)



Mexican government representatives on study trip

- [Similarities and differences of water management between Mexico and the Netherlands](#)
- [When water management has no boundaries](#)
- [Adaptation for coastal vulnerability](#)
- [Adaptation in the Urban Context](#)
- [Dutch and German lessons of water-related adaptation to climate change](#)

Adaptation to climate change



Participants of the EbA School during their field trip to Izta-Popo National Park

Adaptation is a key element of Mexican climate policy, which is reflected in the 21 adaptation actions defined in the country's NDC and Mexico's announcement to develop a National Adaptation Plan (NAP) at COP23. The country considers Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) as a key approach to successful NDC implementation. Several IKI projects support Mexico's efforts to adapt to the adverse effects of climate change. Find out more:

- [The 2nd National Meeting on Responses to Climate Change Issues disseminates climate change agenda for rural areas](#)
- [Training of Trainers: climate change and biodiversity experts receive training focused on EbA](#)
- [Mexico shares its experiences regarding EbA in Thailand](#)
- [Dialogue on Financing of the National Adaptation Plan \(NAP\) \(in German\)](#)
- [Mexican environmental authorities receive training on EbA](#)

Next events

[International Forum on Green Infrastructure and Climate Change](#)

22nd of March 2018 / Mexico City

The project CiClim has identified Green Infrastructure as a measure of climate protection in Mexican urban policy and is organizing an international forum on this topic, including a poster exhibition. Participate and get the chance to present your green infrastructure proposal or initiative enhancing climate action in the urban environment! [Find out more \(in Spanish\)](#)

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