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CONCEPT NOTE

CLIMATE PROSPERITY ROUNDTABLE: A RUNNING START TOWARD GROUNDED DELIVERY

17 OCTOBER 2025 (FRIDAY) | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

In-Person: CVF-V20 Office, Conference Room 7A, 7th Floor,
2000 Pennsylvania Ave, NW #7000, Washington, DC 20006

Online: Zoom Platform



BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

The Climate Vulnerable Forum and the V20 Finance Ministers (CVF-V20) affirm the urgency and centrality of Climate Prosperity Plans (CPPs) as nationally driven strategies to mobilise resources and foster collective action that transforms climate risks into bankable opportunities. More than just fully costed roadmaps for low-carbon and climate-resilient development, CPPs are multi-phase strategies for investment, technology access, and knowledge transfer. At their core, they emphasise the convergence of development, climate, and nature—anchoring resilience and transformation today while pursuing a future of sustainable development.

As the international community convenes at the 2025 Annual Meetings of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund (IMF), this platform provides an opportunity to showcase climate prosperity strategies through CPPs, mobilise new partnerships, and clarify the pathways for grounded delivery. V20 member states demonstrate leadership, innovation, and resilience of climate-vulnerable economies, positioning them as frontrunners in shaping a sustainable economic future.

A critical pillar of implementation is the capitalisation and direct access financial resources required for a running start to grounded delivery, particularly through Country Platforms and Delivery Units. When countries are firmly in the driver's seat, these platforms/ delivery units ensure resources are mobilised on their own terms through country-led and regionally-led partnerships, rather than externally imposed agendas. Moving beyond fragmented coordination, they offer mission-driven, government-led venues that crowd in capital, align with national ambitions, and deliver real outcomes. Done right, these platforms provide upstream project-development support, clear policy guidance, and alignment between governments and investors—including for carbon market access and debt-for-climate swaps. They also require flexible support that finances not only projects but also the process of unlocking capital: building pipelines, reducing transaction costs, and deepening local capital markets to diversify sources of finance.

Recalling the Third Leaders Declaration, we further underscore the role of these platforms in generating the evidence base to enable an eventual transition to private sector financing. This requires direct support to strengthen private sectors in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs), where Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) face capital shortages, high transaction costs, and constrained labour markets. Public-private partnerships and innovative joint ventures must be fostered to advance human capital formation and lower costs. There is no substitute for national and local capacity—whether public institutions, private sector, universities, or civil society. Past errors, where external actors limited local agency, must not be repeated.

To accelerate action, we call for direct access to resources upon submission of a fully completed CPP to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) portal as a long-term strategy, with an immediate allocation of US\$8 million per country to rapidly begin implementation.

This roundtable will bring together CVF-V20 member states, development partners, philanthropic organisations, and investors. It will spotlight the Climate Prosperity vision, present national priorities, and highlight the nationally originated Country Platform/ Delivery Unit mechanism as a “running start”. It will also provide a space for meaningful

engagement with governments, partners, and foundations-fostering strategic collaboration to accelerate delivery toward climate prosperity.

OBJECTIVES

- Showcase CPPs as innovative, nationally owned green industrialization and investment strategies driving climate-resilient growth.
- Highlight the Country Platform/ Delivery Unit approach as a running start to ensure effective grounded delivery.
- Communicate the collective vision of climate prosperity championed by the CVF-V20 as an economic transformation strategy to combat the effects of the climate crisis.
- Mobilise resources and equitable partnerships that enable national and local institutional capacity
- Facilitate dialogue between governments, partners, and financiers to strengthen cooperation and unlock delivery capacity.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- **Increased Visibility:** CPPs/ climate prosperity strategies recognized as credible, comprehensive frameworks of engagement for achieving climate-resilient and sustainable prosperity.
- **Running Start Grounded Delivery:** Direct access to resources to kick off delivery and South-South technology sharing through Country Platforms/Delivery Units as a running start to deliver CPPs effectively.
- **Strengthened Equitable Partnerships:** Improved and equitable engagement with foundations, technical partners, bilateral and multilateral institutions and funds, and investors leading to new alliances and economic cooperation.
- **Global Positioning:** CVF-V20 economies highlighted as leaders in climate innovation at the IMF-World Bank Annual Meetings, reinforcing the case for systemic reforms in climate finance.

FORMAT

The CPP Roundtable will run for two (2) hours in a hybrid format, featuring opening remarks, country presentations, a presentation on Country Platforms, a support and partnerships segment with foundations and development partners, an interactive Q&A, and closing reflections. Around 30 participants are expected, including representatives from the CVF-V20 member countries with climate prosperity strategies/ CPPs, development partners, MDBs, and philanthropic foundations.

Seating will follow a roundtable arrangement to encourage dialogue and visibility among all participants.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Moderator: H.E. Mohamed Nasheed, *Secretary General of the CVF-V20 Secretariat and Former President of the Republic of Maldives*

TIME	AGENDA
2:00 PM	Opening and Welcome Address H.E. The Most Honorable Elizabeth Thompson <i>Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary Climate Change, Small Island States (SIDS) & Law of the Sea, Barbados; and Sherpa to Prime Minister Mia Amor Mottley, S.C. M.P., Chair of the CVF-V20</i>
2:05 PM	Perspectives on Climate Prosperity and Country Platforms as Vehicles for Implementation Sara Jane Ahmed <i>Managing Director and V20 Finance Advisor CVF-V20 Secretariat</i>
2:15 PM	Presentations: Highlights of Climate Prosperity Strategies/ Plans <i>*Representatives from Bhutan, The Gambia, Haiti, Madagascar, Pakistan, Philippines, Bangladesh, and Barbados</i>
3:00 PM	Roundtable Discussion on Grounded Delivery, including perspectives from private sector, foundations and other development partners Moderated by: H.E. Mohamed Nasheed <i>Secretary General, CVF-V20 Secretariat Former President of the Republic of Maldives</i>
3:45 PM	Closing Reflections H.E. Mohamed Nasheed <i>Secretary General, CVF-V20 Secretariat Former President of the Republic of Maldives</i>
4:00 PM	END

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