

# **WHO WE ARE**

The Climate Action Accelerator is a non-profit initiative based in Geneva that aims to mobilize a critical mass of high-social trust organisations around the world to scale up implementation of climate solutions within planetary boundaries, keep global warming well below 2°C and avoid the risk of dangerous drift.







The goal is to help move the aid, health and higher education sectors towards greater resilience and a radical transformation of their practices, pursuing emission reduction targets (-50% by 2030) and a 'net zero' trajectory, in line with the Paris Agreement.

#### PARTNERS ON BOARD

So far, 34 organisations have joined The Climate Action Accelerator and pledged to take action.



The Accelerator is a member of the **UNFCCC Race to Zero campaign**, integrating our partner organisations into the global race to a resilient net-zero future.

### **OBJECTIVES**

#### **EMPOWER**

Empower organizations to at least halve their emissions by 2030 and prepare for greater resilience through a hub of expertise and resources.

#### **CHAMPION**

Transform them into ambassadors of change within their networks, capable of influencing their peers.

#### **COMMUNITY**

Build a global community of action, sharing climate solutions as a universal common good, to scale up their deployment.



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# WHY WE MUST ACT

The climate emergency is one of the greatest challenges of our time and recognised as an existential threat to human society and to the planet. More frequent extreme weather events, such as droughts, flooding, tropical storms, and heatwaves are a threat multiplier affecting communities worldwide. Unfortunately, recent research shows that the situation is deteriorating much faster than initially expected.

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), there is a rapidly closing window of opportunity to achieve the goal laid out in the Paris Agreement and secure a livable and sustainable future for all.

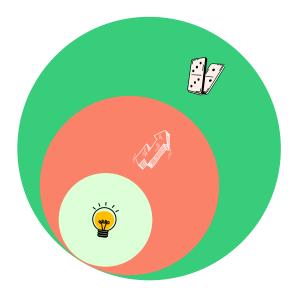
The choices and actions implemented in this decade will have impacts now and for thousands of years.

At Climate Action Accelerator, we believe that each actor in society, including organisations delivering essential services to populations, should act within their sphere of responsibility on the triggers of this accelerating global warming.

There remains a big untapped potential in civil society organisations, hospitals, schools and universities, whose audiences and trend-sending potentials, beyond their contributions to total GHG emissions, have been largely overlooked. We must mobilise these sectors too, and leverage on fast-spreading processes of change to rapidly achieve the scope and scale of the global decarbonisation required

As they progress on their decarbonisation journey, organisations do not only avoid releasing emissions in the atmosphere, they also increase their resilience and that of their communities.

# OUR ACCELERATION MODEL





#### **LABORATORY**

Design, test and learn from new solution roadmaps and projects with pilot partners

#### CAPACITY BUILDING



Transfer & deploy change in organisations at scale



### **DOMINO EFFECT**

Amplify to tilt the sectors and beyond

# **OUR ADDED VALUE**

- Operationalising support
- Replicating commitments
- Multisectoral community of practice
- An open source resource hub
- Operating within "planetary boundaries"

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### MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

## PILOT ROADMAPS AND PROJECTS

- Pilot roadmaps for reducing climate and environmental impact coconstructed with individual organisations
- Implementation phases launched or soon to be launched
- Pilot roadmaps for low carbon, resilient, sustainable development models launched
  - Decarbonisation roadmap for the humanitarian sector delivered
  - Climate Resilient, sustainable and low carbon health projects in Chad, South Africa, Senegal and Bangladesh
  - Pilot approaches with grant-making entities portfolios launched

#### **RESOURCES**

- 80+ Solution factsheets for our open-source inventory
  - Thematic toolkits published
    - Operational playbook for humanitarian organisations
    - Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment (VCA) tool delivered

# **OUR TEAM AND RESOURCES IN 2024**

**20,4** Full time equivalents

**2480 K** Our budget



The Climate Action Accelerator's is grateful to those who contribute to fund the initiative

- Our partner organisations:
  - They sign three-year partnerships with us that include unearmarked contributions.
- International and national institutions:
  - Swiss Confederation, the Republic and Canton of Geneva, the City of Geneva, the Crisis and Support Centre of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs of France (CDCS), the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO), DG ECHO
- Private foundations and high networth individuals

#### We are seeking additional support for:

- Delivering climate-resilient and environmentally sustainable hospitals in low and middle income countries
- Supporting national actors in South Asia and Africa to build and implement climate-resilient and low carbon roadmaps
- Developing a capacity building programme enabling dozens of organisations per year to develop and implement their own climate roadmaps
- Amplifying our action and influence systemic actors towards tipping entire sectors of society



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