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BOGA announces new programme with Iraq to advance their economic diversification and just transition

The Beyond Oil and Gas Alliance, in collaboration with the NDC Partnership, is expanding support for Global South countries planning for the impact of the global transition.

Iraq will establish a country programme to support planning for the country's long term energy and economic security under BOGA and the NDC Partnership's second NDC Window. The programme will support the implementation of Iraq's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) through the development of Iraq's Economic Diversification and Just Transition Roadmap. Iraq joins Kazakhstan, Trinidad and Tobago and Chad, who established programmes under BOGA and the NDC Partnership's first NDC window.

Yousif Muayad, Director of Climate Change Center, Ministry of Environment and National Focal Point for NDCP, Iraq, said:

"Iraq's partnership with BOGA and the NDC Partnership, announced during COP31, represents an important technical achievement for Iraq and a positive outcome of its strengthening engagement in international climate cooperation. This collaboration reflects Iraq's commitment to advancing its climate objectives, fostering inclusive development, and enhancing national efforts towards a resilient and sustainable future. It also marks an important step in translating Iraq's climate commitments into practical programmes and investment opportunities."

Sian Bradley, Head of Secretariat, BOGA, said:

"The launch of Iraq's programme with BOGA and the NDC Partnership provides an opportunity to advance Iraq's economic diversification and planning for a just transition, while strengthening its long-term economic resilience. We look forward to working with the Government of Iraq and our partners to build data and analysis, develop institutional capacity, and establish the partnerships that will be needed to advance a resilient, inclusive and sustainable transition."

Pablo Viera, Global Director, NDC Partnership, said:

"Iraq's process to implement its NDC is a clear signal of how countries are integrating national targets into sustainable development approaches. With support through the NDC Partnership's collaboration with BOGA, Iraq is turning its climate ambitions into concrete plans for a just transition and a more diversified, resilient economy. This is what the Partnership is built for: a country setting its own priorities, and partners coming together to help deliver them."

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