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Governments launch roadmaps and call for accelerated action on clean electrification and the transition as part of the urgent response to overshoot

At COP31, Ministers from Denmark, Spain, Portugal and Luxembourg announced national roadmaps to advance implementation of the transition away from fossil fuels.

Vanuatu and Tuvalu reaffirmed the Pacific's commitment to develop the world's first regional roadmap to transition away from fossil fuels, under the new Regional Renewable Energy Commissioner, as part of the regional strategy for a 100 per cent renewable Pacific. Quebec will also develop the first ever subnational Roadmap to transition away from fossil fuels.

They join Finland, who launched their Roadmap in week one of COP31, and France, Germany and the Netherlands, who have previously published national roadmaps.

All BOGA members have implemented laws and policies that manage oil and gas down supply in line with the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement. They are among the first wave of governments to produce roadmaps for the transition away from fossil fuels.

Samira Nawa, Danish Minister for Climate, Energy and Utilities and Co-Chair of BOGA, said:

"Fossil fuel dependence comes at a high price. For families facing unpredictable energy bills. For countries exposed to geopolitical turmoil. And for our planet. Moving beyond fossil fuels is about climate action, energy security and freedom. We are putting forward our roadmap because promises alone are not enough. We need concrete plans and courage to act. And we need more countries to join us."

Jean Lemire, Special Envoy for Climate Change, Nordic and Arctic Affairs, and Co-Chair of BOGA, said:

"Achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 requires a clear commitment to phasing out fossil fuels. Québec has already banned fossil fuel exploration and production. Along with the first movers of this coalition, we are committing to presenting our own roadmap for a just and orderly transition away from fossil fuels this year."

At the press conference, Ministers called for accelerated action on clean electrification and the transition away from fossil fuels as part of an urgent and comprehensive response to overshoot.

Ralph Regenvanu, Minister of Climate Change Adaptation, Meteorology and Geo-Hazards, Energy, Environment and Disaster Management, Vanuatu, said:

“In the Blue Pacific, we are starting work on a regional roadmap for the transition away from fossil fuels. With increasing exposure to volatile prices for fuel imports, we need to work together to end our fossil fuel dependency and create our home-produced renewable energy future.”

Sara Aagesen, Minister for the Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge, Spain, said:

“The world cannot wait, neither can our societies. They are the ones demanding action. They are the ones living through fires, through heatwaves, through floods, droughts, they are the ones paying the bill for the dependence on fossil fuels. We must lead by example, and we will present our roadmap for the transition away from fossil fuels.”

Maina Talia, Minister of Home Affairs, Climate Change and the Environment, Tuvalu, said:

“We must get serious about transitioning away from fossil fuels, moving beyond rhetoric to concrete actions. That means enabling countries to understand the unique barriers they face in the transition, and helping them overcome those barriers. This requires clear and ambitious roadmaps that can be immediately implemented, not simply good intentions.”

Jean Barroca**,** Secretary of State for Energy, Portugal, said:

“Tomorrow we’ll be launching our roadmap to transition away from fossil fuels. We want to achieve climate neutrality, and we want to do it in a way that protects our people, protects the competitiveness of our economy and at the same time safeguards our security and our autonomy.”

Serge Wilmes, Minister of the Environment, Climate and Biodiversity, Luxembourg:

“Luxembourg will deliver its roadmap for transitioning away from fossil fuels before the next TAFF conference in Ireland and Tuvalu next year. This COP has to deliver on mitigation and the 1.5 promise. If we fail on mitigation we will fail on everything else. We cannot keep talking about managing the crisis while we keep opening the tap that creates it.”

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