



Accelerating SDG 9 implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean







Context: SDG 9 in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) region has been on an upward development path over the last decades. Still, challenges remain, as the region is one of the most unequal in the world, compounded by structural problems like informal employment, slow growth, and natural resource dependency. The pandemic has only exacerbated these problems, creating an unprecedented health and social crisis and increasing the risk of reprimarization.

In this context, the UN Secretary-General stated that achieving the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 9 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is the way to build back better and with equality. Inclusive and sustainable industrial development

(ISID) offers the region the opportunity of a better and greener reactivation of its industrial capacities for economic recovery and equitable distribution of benefits for all stakeholders.

On this basis, UNIDO aims to assist countries in the Latin

American and Caribbean region in accelerating the implementation of SDG 9 through South-South and triangular cooperation, networking and partnerships contributing to a sustainable and equal economic recovery.

The SDG 9 Accelerator and its 3 components

UNIDO's initiative seeks to create and strengthen a regional and multi-level contact network that, combined with the SDG 9 Accelerator Platform, promotes strategic partnerships for inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the region and

leverages support for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

This will be achieved through three main components.

1. Regional network of contacts

At the decision-maker level, the regional network comprises Focal Points of the countries of the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC). This network seeks to build relations between the governments and form partnerships to leverage priority industries in the region.

In addition, the project will build on a well-established network of national and international institutions and private sector entities that have taken part in previous regional projects. UNIDO will cooperate with these institutions for knowledge and technology exchange on the thematic areas identified by GRULAC.





The image features the SDG 9 Accelerators.

2. Knowledge sharing platform: SDG 9 Accelerator

The SDG 9 Accelerator is an online network created for sustainable industrial development professionals focused on the achievement of SDG 9 on industry, innovation and infrastructure. The platform works as a one-stop-shop for knowledge, information and contacts on SDG 9.

*** How can the SDG 9 Accelerator help me?

It helps you achieve your goals by connecting you with actors from different sectors, such as decision-makers, cooperation and development agencies, the private sector, academia, and others. It also provides the information and tools needed to achieve SDG 9.

••• What will I find in the SDG 9 Accelerator?

You will find capacity building and funding offers, publications, news, announcements of in-person and online events, a network of experts in the SDG 9 thematic areas, among other resources from UNIDO and other development institutions, in a single and easy-to-access source in Spanish and English.

••• What are the Accelerators?

The Accelerators are policy and programme areas identified to drive inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the Latin American and Caribbean region. The Platform's tools will be organized according to their respective areas or Accelerators, allowing you to filter content easily.







3. Support for pilot experiences of partnerships, South-South and triangular cooperation

The project builds on the successful implementation of UNIDO's Industrial Knowledge Bank. It expands the existing networking infrastructure and fosters knowledge partnerships and transfer mechanisms to promote South-South and triangular cooperation in LAC.

••• Who can participate?

As part of the implementation of pilot experiences, governments and companies — belonging to relevant value chains — will be selected to participate in exchanges of best practices and knowledge transfer through partnerships, South-South and triangular cooperation. The activities foreseen under this component will support the design of business plans and investment promotion to carry out these exchanges.



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Key benefits:

- Creation of a one-stop-shop for SDG 9 for LAC;
- Assistance to decision-makers; increased understanding of the interrelations between national strategies and the SDGs, with a particular focus on SDG 9;
- Support for monitoring and evaluating efforts for achieving SDG 9:
- Cross-country supply of services, knowledge and technology;

- Development of and participation in technical cooperation projects according to national needs and priorities;
- --- Identification of successful practices, mechanisms and cases in the private sector that contribute to the achievement of SDG 9 targets; and
- Identification of stakeholders in the private, public, and academic sectors to successfully implement SDG 9 targets at national and regional levels.









