



CONTEXT

The Programme for Country Partnership (PCP) is UNIDO's innovative multi-stakeholder partnership model for accelerating inclusive and sustainable industrial development (ISID). Led by the host government, the PCP builds synergies with ongoing government and partner interventions relevant to industrial development, and facilitates the mobilization of partners and resources to achieve larger development impact.

The model has gained international recognition and is hailed as a concrete model for achieving Sustainable Development Goals, in particular 9 and 17.

Following Ethiopia, Senegal, Peru, and Kyrgyz Republic, Cambodia is the first country in Southeast Asia adopting the PCP model. Tailored to the national development agenda, the Industrial Development Policy (IDP 2015-2025), the PCP Cambodia has two core components: Agro Value Chain Development, and Industrial Diversification, Innovation and Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Development. The core components are supported by five cross-cutting components: Industrial Policy and Statistics, Quality Infrastructure, Sustainable Energy, Circular Economy, Women Empowerment & Youth Employment.

Affordable and sustainable energy is the cornerstone for ISID. The country has made great advancements in its energy transition, but there are still great challenges to overcome in its energy sector. Cambodia suffers from a limited generation capacity and underdeveloped infrastructure, and it is faced with the uneasy task of meeting its growing energy demand while keeping customers' and import bills under control. To address these challenges the government must scale up its efforts to diversify energy supply sources, reducing reliance on fossil fuels and increasing renewable energy deployment.

UNIDO PCP INTERVENTION

The goal of the Sustainable Energy component is to support the country in transitioning to a sustainable energy future, through the application of renewable energy for productive uses, efficient use of energy by industry and the introduction of low-carbon technologies and processes. With its global experience and extensive expertise in decarbonizing industry, UNIDO has been able to mobilize significant investments in renewable energy and energy efficiency. UNIDO can facilitate access to affordable and sustainable energy to support productive activities and the income and employment opportunities they create, contributing in turn to socio-economic growth and environmental benefits, through climate change mitigation and adaptation.

UNIDO interventions will focus on:

- Promoting the uptake of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies in industries;
- Helping entrepreneurs to access finance and develop bankable projects contributing to climate change mitigation and adaptation;
- Promoting clean technology innovations and business models and providing support to start-ups and SMEs for investment mobilization and commercialization;
- Mainstreaming the usage of biogas technology for rural electrification and proper disposal of animal waste;
- Mitigating investor risk and matchmaking investors with entrepreneurs;
- Strengthening the policy and institutional framework to promote clean technology innovation and entrepreneurship.

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Partnership opportunities exist for multi- and bilateral donors, financial institutions, local and international business entities, industry associations and the civil society. For more information please contact: partnerships@unido.org or visit the UNIDO PCP website.

