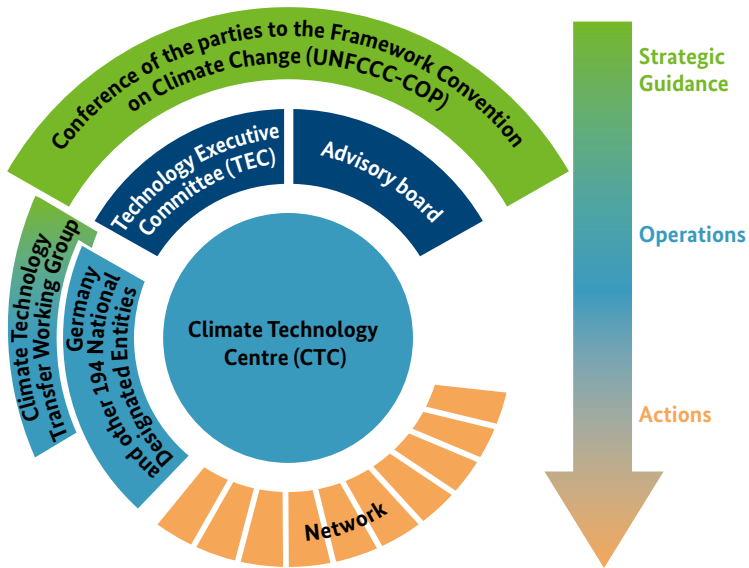


CTCN-Structure



In 2012, the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology set up the **Climate Technology Transfer Working Group** in order to support the work of the TEC by offering a German perspective and by involving business and science. The working group aims to strengthen practical co-operation with developing countries and emerging economies on technologies designed to mitigate climate change. In doing so, it is also to serve as an information source for the work of the TEC and to help countries engage in technical co-operation with Germany. The relevant federal ministries, GIZ and KfW are all represented in the working group, as are business and science.

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Technology Mechanism

During the climate negotiations held in Cancún at the end of 2010, the states party to the Framework Convention on Climate Change decided to set up the **Technology Mechanism**. This is composed of a political unit – the **Technology Executive Committee – TEC**, and an implementing unit – the **Climate Technology Centre and Network – CTCN**.

The aim of the TEC is to strengthen co-operation between industrialised countries, emerging economies, and developing countries (technology transfer). By using model scenarios, technology roadmaps, technology needs assessments, and by drawing on analyses and publications from other institutions, it is to provide an overview of technologies that can help to mitigate climate change, to pick up on



technical and policy-related issues relating to technical co-operation, and to foster closer co-operation in specific areas.

Structure and tasks

The TEC is made up of a total 20 members, including 9 representatives from industrialised countries and 11 from emerging economies and developing countries. The EU is represented by five members. The Committee is co-chaired by one representative from the industrial countries and one from the developing and emerging economies. The recommendations made by the TEC aim to be included in the decisions of the Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The CTCN forms the basis for closer co-operation on technologies designed to mitigate climate change (the reduction of greenhouse gases and adaptation to climate change) and seeks to improve networking opportunities. As far as possible, all project work is to continue to be conducted within existing structures. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has been selected to act as the host organisation for the network. The CTCN is based in Copenhagen and commenced its activities in May 2013.

At national level, the CTCN is supported by a national contact point (**National Designated Entity – NDE**). The national contact point in Germany serves as the first point of contact for all enquires about technology cooperation with German companies, research institutions and the public sector.

The political work to foster climate-technology transfer will be shared across all ministries, be supported by business and science, and be co-ordinated with the development of important new business sectors.



Current state of play

The TEC began its activities in September 2011. Its German representative, Dr Pflüger (Head of Division – Climate change, international environmental policy at the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology) was elected Chair. The tasks of the German NDE are overseen by the relevant division at the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology (IVC2). Where appropriate, information about envisaged research projects and technologies from Germany is passed on to the CTCN, and enquires from the CTCN and from developing countries and emerging economies are compiled and sent on accordingly.