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**Just Transition Taskforce Update**March 2024









#### **Just Transition Taskforce Introduction**

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- The Just Transition Taskforce was formed in 2023.
- 41 group members joined the JT Taskforce
- Commencing in June 2023, 6 virtual meetings have now been conducted
- The 2023-2024 Workplan has been developed and is available on the UNECE GOE CMM & JT page: <u>Draft</u> Work Plan 2023-2024 JT TF Clean.pdf (unece.org)



### **Workplan Overview**

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 Just Transition has been defined as an integrated approach to sustainable development that brings together social progress, workers' protection, environmental consciousness, and economic success into a framework of democratic governance and institutional support.

#### **Activities:**

- A) Mapping the progress of Just Transition in the ECE Region
- B) Identifying the existing guiding principles and good practices in Just Transition
- C) Providing guidance on the Just Transition's next steps
- D) Developing pathways for implementation of the developed just transition strategies
- E) Developing a principles-based framework for just transition
- F) Developing a proposal for a pilot project allowing to test applicability of the proposed principles-based framework to the selected coal mining area and to evaluate the results that its application will lead to
- G) Working with other Task Forces on areas of synergy



## Current Activities – A & B in progress





## A) Mapping the progress of Just Transition in the ECE Region Planned Deliverables:

- Online library of resources on Just Transition
- Map indicating location of the active coal mining areas across the ECE region;
- Document describing the set of factors that allow assessment of countries' readiness for just transition of their local active coal mining areas.

# B) Identifying existing guiding principles & good practices in Just Transition Planned Deliverables:

- Criteria established for guiding principles and good practices
- Set of the existing lessons learnt, including:
  - Guiding principles and good practices, and a check list of questions to ask while preparing to engage in the transition process, and
  - A list of commonly repeated mistakes and omissions.





## **Other Supporting Activities**

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The Taskforce members have benefitted from **presentations of research projects, case studies and information** related to Just Transition and coal mining, including examples from Albania, Kazakhstan, the Asia Pacific Region, Northern Colombia, and Russia.

A number of other **groups with similar or related objectives** or work activities have been identified, and further information is being sought including opportunities for collaboration to deliver the work plan.

We welcome anyone who would like to contribute to the work of the Taskforce, or information on any other groups working in this area. Please contact the Secretariat or Chair Bobbie Foot: <a href="mailto:Bobbie.M.Foot@bhp.com">Bobbie.M.Foot@bhp.com</a>

