



# CAN EECCA Vision

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# Who are we?

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**Climate Action Network Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (CAN EECCA)** is a network of non-government organizations dedicated to fighting climate change and represented by almost 60 members in 11 countries.



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We work for the civil society of the region to be strong and organized, for EECCA countries to implement policies leading to climate neutrality and green economy, and for a connection between the former and the latter processes based on climate justice.

Our network exists since 2008 and is a part of the Climate Action Network International, which unites more than 1500 non-governmental organizations in 130 countries.

EECCA region is often dropped out of the worldwide focus due to political instability, corruption, and repressed mass media. **We work to consolidate and promote priorities of EECCA region NGOs into the international level.**

Currently, the post-Soviet countries' civil society is not strong enough to influence policy-making in their states, because they are often oppressed, meet numerous obstacles on the way to steady funding and cannot use mechanisms of participation in decision-making on full scale. **We multiply the public voice on regional and international levels, deliver Network members' demands to decision-makers, and advance mechanisms of civil society participation in decision-making.**

EECCA region depends strongly on fossil fuels. Countries are not eager to cut down greenhouse gases emissions and implement truly ambitious

climate policy. **We analyze positions of countries on their way to climate neutrality and address decision-makers directly demanding to take specific measures in fighting the climate crisis.**

## The Network's Vision

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Strong civil society of the Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia countries contributed to preventing climate crisis through achieving climate neutrality, fossil fuels phase out, equitable use of natural resources, and green economy opportunities development.

## Our Mission

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To support, reinforce, and develop civil society organizations in EECCA region in their capacity for influencing development and implementation of climate policy leading to climate neutral and more just future.

## Our Values

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- Climate justice
- Horizontal leadership
- Solidarity and mutual support
- Non-violence
- Safety of activists

## The Network's Strategic Goals

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1. Support of the ambitious and equitable climate policy development in EECCA countries, including through coordination at UNFCCC negotiations.
2. Mobilization of civil society and strengthening their influence on climate policy on different levels, including local communities.
3. Sharing experience among various stakeholders, creating platforms for collaboration and dissemination of knowledge on climate crisis.
4. Cooperation with mass media, development and support of communication channels in climate mitigation field.

## Work Priorities for 2021-2023

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1. Working with government agencies, local governments, and the public of EECCA countries for strengthening nationally determined contributions, which lead to just and concrete low-carbon development, built on the rights and needs of the civil society.
2. Developing leadership potential of the Network members, primarily young and/or small organizations, strengthening cooperation among members.
3. Supporting climate movement and mobilizing civil society through preparing and carrying out joint actions and advocacy campaigns.
4. Intensifying work with mass media at all levels, active presence in social media, developing press releases and communications materials.

# Key Thematic Areas of Our Network Members' Work

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1. National climate policy
2. UNFCCC negotiations
3. Development of sustainable renewable energy sources
4. Energy-efficiency and energy-saving
5. Fossil fuels phase out
6. Just transition
7. Green Deals for cities and governments
8. Sustainable ecologic transportation
9. Clean air
10. Forest conservation, reforestation
11. Adaptation to climate change
12. Saving biodiversity
13. Educational work, distribution of ecologic information
14. Development of environmental activism
15. Support for highland communities and developing countries

## Partners and Contacts

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CAN EECCA is proud of its members, among which there are both small grassroots organizations and international NGOs like WWF and Greenpeace.

Our reliable partners and donors are: CAN International, Swedish Society for Nature Conservation, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, BUND (Friends of the Earth Germany), Heinrich Böll Foundation, 350.org and others.

We are always open for new partnerships with organizations sharing our values and strategic goals.



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