



PRESIDENTIAL
CLIMATE COMMISSION
TOWARDS A JUST TRANSITION

Key Strategic Priorities for 2025

PCC as a Catalyst for Change

Insight

- Providing a scientifically sound evidence base to support better decision making by social partners

Inclusion

- Forging consensus between the diverse stakeholders reflected across its social partners, to build support for the policy and action required for a just transition

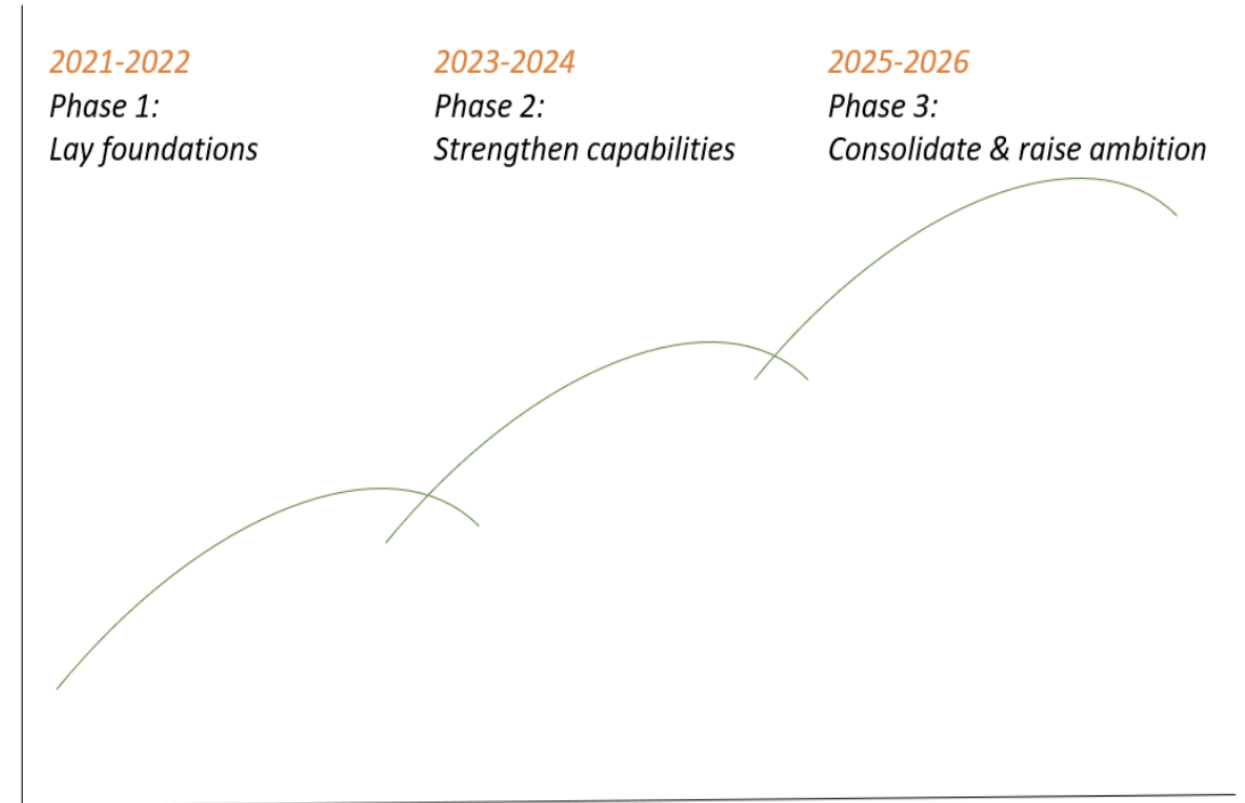
Impact

- Influencing policy, promoting sustainable economic change, and providing advice in those areas where action falls short

Recap of PCC Strategic Plan

Strategic Priorities over the next three years:

- Establishing **enabling conditions** for implementation of a just transition;
- Ensuring the foundations are in place for long-term **climate resilience and adaptation**;
- Identifying and supporting **net-zero pathways**;
- Mobilising **financial and technological resources** to achieve a just transition;
- Ensuring that the PCC is **effective** in fulfilling its mandate and addressing the complex and systemic nature of the **climate transition**.



Outcomes from the Commissioner Retreat

- There was a strong emphasis on clarifying roles and responsibilities to enhance team collaboration and organizational effectiveness.
 - Commissioners recognized the impact of global economic and governance shifts and the need for South Africa to adapt.
 - Stakeholder engagement and transparency were highlighted as critical for successful local implementation of climate initiatives
 - A 5-year roadmap will be developed to align with global and local climate goals, focusing on industrialization, education, and healthcare.
 - Lessons from the Komati Power Station transition will be applied to other coal-fired power plants nearing decommissioning.
- A framework for just transition projects will be created, including funding mechanisms and socioeconomic impact assessments.
 - A need for clear public communication strategies was emphasized to distinguish personal opinions from official Commission positions.
 - Climate resilience initiatives will focus on urban areas affected by climate migration, with potential special economic zones for climate projects.
 - Biannual breakaway sessions will be held to strengthen team dynamics and improve strategic planning.

Priorities for the remainder of the Commissions Term



Net-Zero Working Group Priorities

	Activity	Details	Timing
Policy Recommendations	NDC Consultations	Coordinate recommendations report on the NDC (mitigation, finance, adaptation) and draft the mitigation contribution (building on net-zero pathways work and considering theory on carbon budgets).	June 2025
Technical Reports	Net Zero Pathways and scenarios Phase 2: Co-Creation	Developing Climate-Informed Economic Pathways through Stakeholder Dialogues, supporting PCC	March 2026
	Pricing Project and Learning Cohorts	Prepare a series of papers and associated products on market dynamics and electricity pricing, acknowledging power system transitions and the need for affordable energy access	March 2025
	Just Transport Plan and Green Transport Strategy	Update of the Green Transport Strategy	March 2026



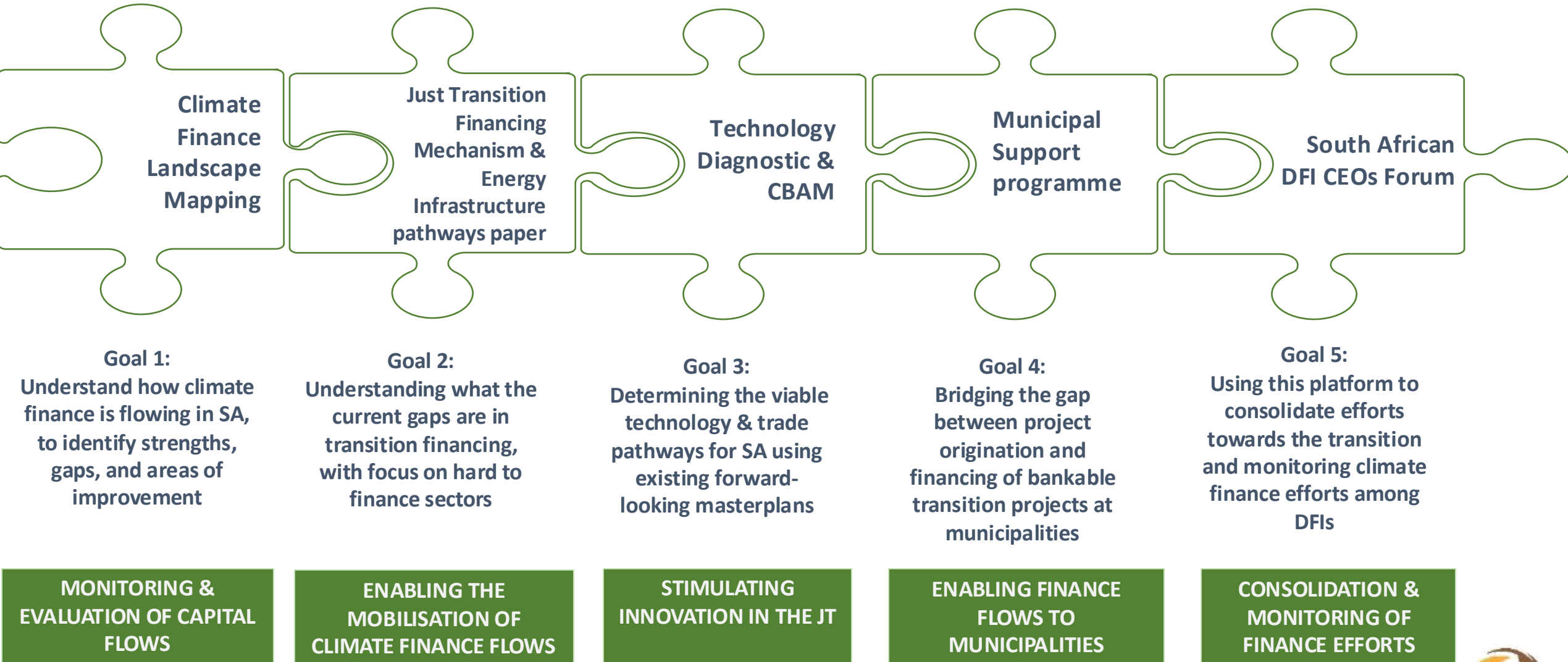
Adaptation and Resilience Working Group Priorities

	Activity	Detail	Timing
Recommendations Report	Just Adaptation and Resilience Investment Plan Framework	PCC recommendations on an adaptation and resilience investment plan framework.	June 2025
Technical Reports	Public Sector Climate and Weather Information System Capability	State of Climate and Weather Information system report with recommendations	September 2024
	Synthesis of the three Sector Report	Synthesis Report of the three sectors (Water, Agriculture and the built environment)	April 2025

M&E Working Group Priorities

	Activity	Details	Timing
Local	Komati One Year On (report)	Prepare a report based on desktop review and stakeholder interviews about progress against PCC recommendations	March 2025
	eThekwini Floods Two Years On	Prepare a report based on desktop review and stakeholder interviews about progress against PCC recommendations	May 2025
National	Stories on the JT	Produce 10 stories – faces and experiences on the just transition	March 2025
	MTDP and APP input/ support/ review	Integrate JT imperatives into the MTDP and key APPs	April – December 2025
	PCC annual report	Annual report against business plan	March 2025
International	International learning network on JT tracking	Host 2-day international workshop with ICAT, WRI, WBA, and others	February 2025

Climate Finance and Innovation Priorities



Thank you

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