COP31 / ANTALYA CLIMATE DISPATCH

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DAY ONE.

THE IMPLEMENTATION TEST BEGINS

MONDAY 09 NOV 2026 / ANTALYA, TÜRKIYE

OPENING ANALYSIS

COP31 opened with procedural momentum, but a difficult political test ahead. Delegates adopted the main agendas and began finance talks, while the Türkiye-Australia leadership proposed an early, action-oriented outcome. Developing countries pressed for stronger adaptation funding. A new WMO assessment underscored how rapidly the climate emergency is intensifying. [1-3]

09-20 NOV
CONFERENCE DATES
UNFCCC

1.47°C
2026 JAN-SEP WARMING
WMO

35%
ELECTRICITY SHARE BY 2035
PROPOSED TARGET

KEY DECISIONS & NEGOTIATING SIGNALS

1

Leadership elected

Murat Kurum was elected COP31 President. Australia's Chris Bowen leads the negotiations, with Türkiye chairing the conference and its action agenda. [1][2]

2

Agendas adopted, with trade-offs

The COP, Kyoto Protocol and Paris Agreement bodies adopted their agendas. A separate item on tripling adaptation finance was not added. The seventh review of the Financial Mechanism moves to COP32. [1]

3

Early outcome process launched

Bowen outlined a presidency-led, Party-driven decision, shaped during the summit. A first summary is due 13 November, with written submissions invited through 14 November. This is a process, not yet an agreement. [1]

4

Technical work moves forward

Parties advanced work on long-term finance, loss and damage, adaptation, carbon-market rules and just transition. Draft decisions on climate technology and capacity-building were adopted. [1]

UNRESOLVED FAULT LINE

ADAPTATION FINANCE

African negotiators and LDCs sought a standalone item on tripling adaptation finance. It was not included. The issue moves to existing finance talks. [1]

NOT RESOLVED

DAY-ONE PROGRAMME

Food, agriculture & health

The opening theme focused on resilient food systems.

Health Day ministerial

Speakers highlighted climate-ready health services.

Clean air action

UNEP-backed partners launched an action plan to end open waste burning. [4][7]

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DAY ONE / EVIDENCE AND IMPLICATIONS

09 NOVEMBER 2026

SCIENCE RAISES THE STAKES

New climate evidence, on-the-ground priorities and the next steps

WMO STATE OF THE CLIMATE UPDATE 2026 / RELEASED ON DAY ONE

1.47°C

Global warming above the 1850-1900 average, January-September 2026.

2026: AMONG 4 HOTTEST YEARS [3]

CLIMATE INDICATORS

- **RECORD OCEAN HEAT**

Ocean heat continues its record-breaking run.

- **SEA LEVEL AT A RECORD**

Global mean sea level hit a new high in 2026.

- **EL NIÑO INTO 2027**

An unusually strong event raises extreme-weather risks.

EVENTS THAT SET THE TONE

01 HEALTH SECURITY

A ministerial roundtable urged climate-informed health systems. WMO highlighted heat alerts and disease monitoring. [2][7]

02 FOOD-SYSTEM FINANCE

Opening-day discussions included funding for climate-resilient agriculture and food systems. [4]

03 WEATHER DATA GAPS

WMO and partners urged investment in observation networks supporting vulnerable countries and global forecasting. [7]

VOICES FROM VULNERABLE COUNTRIES

LDCs / FINANCE ACCESS

LDCs prioritized adaptation funding, national adaptation plans and an operational just transition mechanism. [1]

SMALL ISLAND STATES / 1.5°C

AOSIS urged stronger emissions action and implementation of national climate commitments. [1]

CIVIL SOCIETY / RIGHTS

Indigenous, labour, youth and women's groups called for rights, inclusion and protection in climate action. [1]

NEXT ON THE AGENDA

10 NOV
ENERGY + TRANSPORT
Next thematic day

11-12 NOV
LEADERS' SUMMIT
Heads of state convene

13-14 NOV
DECISION INPUTS
Summary, then written views

YESTERDAY IN ANTALYA

8-20°C

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