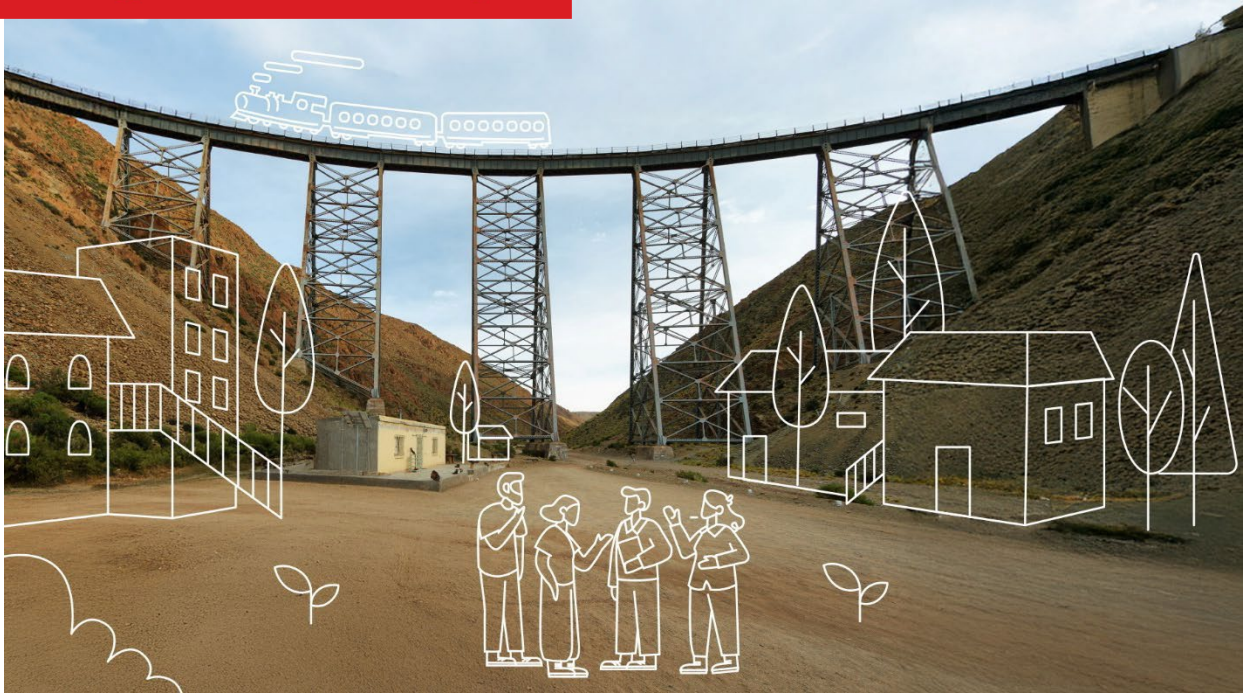


Just Energy Transition in Coal Regions



JUST ENERGY TRANSITION ACADEMY: STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES IN COAL REGIONS

ON-LINE: 27 APRIL - 16 MAY 2026

BACKGROUND

The phase-down of coal as a source of energy is one of the most important strategies to reach the objectives of the Paris Agreement and protect the planet from global warming. Coal mining and coal-fired energy, however, have sustained national and global economies for many decades.

Coal mining regions in particular face significant challenges now that global and local climate commitments are calling for the end of coal. Among the changes that will occur with the transition towards low-carbon diversified economies, many questions arise. How will coal regions transform their economies in order to sustain local livelihoods, economic activities and promote decent jobs? How will coal regions ensure that in the transition from coal to other sources of livelihood people are protected and no one is left behind?

The *Just Energy Transition Academy – Strengthening capacities for JET in coal regions in transition* is offered in the framework of the project “Innovation Regions for a Just Energy Transition” aims to strengthen the capacity of stakeholders in and around coal mining regions to work towards a just transition in these regions. The Academy places particular emphasis on the themes of **economic diversification** and **social protection**.

OBJECTIVES

The *Just Energy Transition Academy – Strengthening capacities for JET in coal regions in transition* will enable participants to strengthen their knowledge and engage in peer-to-peer exchanges to develop **tailored approaches and solutions to JET critical issues at national and subnational levels**. It is expected that participants will enhance knowledge, build partnerships, and acquire hands-on approaches on how to tackle key issues in developing JET pathways.

The JET Academy will bring together stakeholders and practitioners from the global IKI-JET community and national, sub-national and sectoral levels. By the end of the Academy, participants will have reinforced theoretical skills and enhanced planning capacities to steer transformative and sustainable energy pathways in coal regions in transition.

The Academy focuses in particular on two core thematic pillars of a just transition in coal regions: **economic diversification** and **social protection**, exploring policy approaches, practical experiences and tools to support inclusive and sustainable regional transformation.

TARGET GROUP

The training programme is designed for:

- National government representatives involved in the coal transition (Ministries of Labour, Planning, Mining, Finance, Economic Development, Women’s Affairs)
- Local government representatives in coal mining regions
- Private sector representatives, including employers’ organizations, nationally and in coal mining regions

- Workers' representatives nationally and in coal mining regions
- Civil society organizations and academia involved in the coal transition

The programme particularly welcomes participants working in and around coal mining regions in Indonesia, India, Mongolia, South Africa, Thailand and Vietnam.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The training programme will span across **24 hours of learning** through a format that combines webinars with self-paced learning on the ITCILO electronic campus. It will adopt participatory and "learning-by-doing" methodologies based on case studies, reflections and exercises in teams. It will also implement pedagogical approaches tailored to the needs and interests of the participants.

CONTENT

The training programme covers the following content:

Week 1: Just energy transition in coal regions (on-line)

Week 1 covers the following topics:

- Designing people-centred, inclusive and gender-responsive JET solutions
- Social dialogue and stakeholder engagement for effective and inclusive transition governance
- Planning a just energy transition in coal mining regions: Just transition governance, policy coherence, coordination, planning and financing

Week 2: Social protection for a just energy transition in coal regions (on-line)

Week 2 covers the following topics:

- How can social protection support a just energy transition in coal mining regions
- Social protection measures to mitigate the social impacts of transition and support affected workers and communities

Week 3: Economic diversification in coal regions (on-line)

Week 3 covers the following topics:

- How to design evidence-based and participatory economic diversification strategies in coal mining regions
- Creating an enabling environment for economic diversification in coal mining regions

REGISTRATION

If you are interested to join the on-line training programme, kindly register with this link:

<https://oarf2.itcilo.org/DSB/A9718834/en>

Upon reception of your registration, we will get back to you soon to confirm your enrolment in the programme.

CERTIFICATION

Participants in the training programme will receive an ILO/ITCILO/IKI certificate of participation upon successful completion of the training programme. The certificate will be awarded through digital credentials using blockchain technology that protects participants' data and prevents fraud.

INNOVATION REGIONS FOR A JUST ENERGY TRANSITION

The IKI-supported project “Innovation Regions for a Just Energy Transition” (IKI-JET) aims at supporting key stakeholder of coal regions to plan for and implement regional just energy transition pathways to diversify economies whilst accompanying the coal sector in the transition towards a low-carbon energy system. The Just Energy Transition in Coal Regions Interregional Platform (JET-CR Platform) forms part of IKI JET project. Through the JET-CR Platform, the consortium members offer different kind of support for coal regions, including the modular capacity development programmes described in this note. The training programme serves both as a forum to further strengthen the JET-CR communities of practice and as a thematic introduction to further capacity building efforts.

CONSORTIUM MEMBERS



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