

Brazil – The Netherlands – Cooperation on the Energy Transition Action Plan 2026-2028

Introduction

Brazil and the Netherlands have a long-standing, fruitful collaboration in the field of energy transition. This is exemplified by the many concrete projects, investments, technology partnerships and trade flows. It has recently been strengthened by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between both governments on the Cooperation in the Energy Transition which was signed in October 2025 in Brazil.

The following two-year Joint Action Plan has been developed for the period 2026-2028, to deliver on the bilateral commitments as outlined in the MoU on Cooperation in the Energy Transition. It consists of a 1) shared event agenda; and an 2) overview of actions. The Joint Working Group that will be established in the near future will review and, if needed, update it every six months.

The Joint Working Group will be established in the near future and will convene semi-annually online and, ideally, once a year physically. Both Ministries will jointly determine the chair(s) and members of the Joint Working Group. The purpose of the Joint Working Group is to define the scope of the collaboration, identify and track activities, and discuss progress. There will be more frequent contact with the attaché in São Paulo to discuss progress.

Indicative Joint Activities 2026–2028

2026

- First Joint Working Group (The Hague)
- Clean Energy Ministerial
- COP31

2027

- Second Joint Working Group
- Relevant bilateral missions, workshops and stakeholder exchanges as mutually agreed (such as a Brazilian delegation participating in the World Hydrogen Summit in Rotterdam in May 2027)

2028

- Third Joint Working Group
- Review of cooperation and identification of future priorities

Priority Areas for Cooperation

The Parties intend to cooperate in the following areas:

(a) Hydrogen

- Stimulate public-private collaboration and B2B exchange/matchmaking at key hydrogen events such as the World Hydrogen Summit taking place each year in May in Rotterdam.
- Exchange knowledge on hydrogen and hydrogen derivative value chains, such as infrastructure development, certification and key regulation.
- Promote knowledge exchange and cooperation through multilateral organisations in which both governments participate, including:
 - Offshore hydrogen production via IEA TCP
 - Hydrogen trade via Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) and the International Hydrogen Trade Forum (IHTF)
- Work on Global Gateway support for project development in Brazil.
- Stimulate Innovation and Technology and exchange with key R&D partners.

(b) Biorefinery, Biofuels and Sustainable Bioresources

- Strengthen collaboration along the innovation and value chain of biorefining, biofuels and bio-based products.
- Share knowledge on feedstock development and sustainability criteria.

(c) Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)

- Explore collaborations on feedstock development and SAF value chains between Brazil and the Netherlands.
- Share knowledge on technological developments, value chains, SAF funding and incentive programmes, feedstock development and decarbonisation targets.

(d) Low GHG Shipping Development

- Explore cooperation on low GHG shipping solutions, including low- and zero-emission fuels and port infrastructure improvements to reduce emissions from the shipping sector.

(e) Bioenergy and Biorefinery with Carbon Capture Usage and Storage (CCUS)

- Explore opportunities for cooperation and knowledge exchange on bioenergy, biorefinery and CCUS applications.

(f) Offshore Wind Power

- Exchange knowledge and best practices on offshore wind development and related infrastructure



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Implementation

Specific activities, projects and exchanges may be developed jointly by the Parties throughout the implementation period and recorded through the Joint Working Group process.

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