

FY2025 Activity Plans

1. Status of climate and energy policy this year

In February 2025, the government set a new course for Japan's climate and energy policies and adopted new greenhouse gas emission reduction targets. With the current trajectory being far from the 1.5°C goal, serious concerns remain regarding the adequacy of the government's Strategic Energy Plan, Global Warming Countermeasures Plan, and GX2040 Vision. It is crucial to continue with efforts to deal with these issues.

This fiscal year, it will be important to focus on initiatives through the acceleration of immediate/local actions and the implementation and/or reconsideration of specific measures. Policy topics we will be pursuing include targets for floating offshore wind power and implementation of the GX-ETS system. For the expansion of renewables, an important challenge will be improving social and financial conditions to further promote the deployment of solar and bottom-fixed offshore wind power generation. Meanwhile, disruptions in the international state of affairs appear to have weakened interest in climate change and stalled some corporate and financial institutions' initiatives. In this context, it will be important to keep climate issues at the forefront for society as a whole.

2. Period covered

April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

3. Purpose

Conduct research and communication to accelerate change toward decarbonization. We support multi-stakeholder action through integrated approaches that connect science, policy, and society.

4. Activities for this fiscal year

Climate Integrate will continue to strengthen the organizational foundations for our programs while continuing with research and analysis, disseminating information, and providing support to accelerate the energy transition.

In particular, the next three years will be a priority period for our activities to accelerate the energy transition by making the utmost use of support from the Climate Breakthrough Award, which our Executive Director Kimiko Hirata was awarded last December. With this support, we will expand our activities in research and analysis, as well as information dissemination. We will also strengthen our organizational structure and work passionately to collaborate with external partners.

(1) Studies, research, and making recommendations relating to climate change

• Climate and energy policy analysis

Recognizing that decarbonization in the electric power sector is an important and urgent priority to achieve decarbonization in Japan, this year, we will focus on research, analysis, and information dissemination with a view to realizing an expansion of renewable energy over the short-term, and the realization of policy measures that will lead to the large-scale deployment of renewable energy over the medium to long term. We will also continue to analyze key policies and governance, government budgets and Climate Transition Bonds to accelerate the energy transition.

Main themes

- Policy issues for deployment of renewable energy
- Government budget, Climate Transition Bonds
- Asian Zero Emission Community (AZEC)
- Trends in fossil fuels, ammonia, hydrogen, CCUS
- GX-ETS

• Compilation/publication of statistical data

In Japan, it is difficult to grasp the current status and progress related to climate and energy policies. In view of this situation, we will publish data and graphics that are visually clear and easy to understand on the Climate Integrate website, and design the site to facilitate easy data access.

• Roadmap to expand renewable energy deployment

We will analyze issues, barriers, and opportunities for the deployment of renewable energy, and develop short-, medium-, and long-term roadmaps to realize a significant

expansion of renewable energy. We will focus on mechanisms and policies that will contribute to the rapid spread of solar and commercialization of floating offshore wind.

- **Analysis of corporate targets and performance**

We will update our assessment and analysis of net-zero policies of 10 major Japanese companies. In addition, we will identify specific sectors and industries, and analyze a broader range of corporate measures regarding GX-ETS and energy transition initiatives.

- **Analysis of governance and policy-making processes**

Based on our analysis last year of the policy-making process behind Japan's Strategic Energy Plan, we will analyze case studies from other countries, identify key issues, and summarize salient observations while incorporating expert knowledge.

- **Analysis of sustainable finance**

We will examine the status and trends of the Japanese government's financial policies and investment and loan strategies (GX, AZEC, transition finance, etc.) as well as private sector finance, and summarize and present our findings regarding finance-related issues in the context of accelerating the energy transition.

(2) Engagement in policy-making relating to climate change

Unlike last year, there will be few opportunities this year to engage in the development of national climate and energy policy. However, we will engage in dialogue and share knowledge with the government, research organizations, and other organizations in processes and discussions such as setting targets for floating offshore wind, promoting the implementation of decarbonization policies by local governments, and changing policies when opportunities arise for institutional review.

(3) Disseminating information on climate change

- **Information dissemination**

We will publish reports and Insights (online articles) for each topic of our research and analysis, and promote them through webinars, video, and social media, etc.

- **Development of communication methods and tools**

To enhance the effectiveness and reach of the information we put out, we will improve our organizational branding, conduct market research, and consider methods of

communication. We will also begin our website renewal process.

(4) Dialogue, advice and support for domestic and overseas stakeholders on climate change policies and actions

▪ **Stakeholder dialogue, advice, support**

With regard to local government initiatives, we will continue to support decarbonization efforts in the framework of public-private partnerships, mainly by collaborating with and supporting Toyooka City, Sakata City, and Ichikawa City.

We will also engage in dialog with various stakeholders, including government officials, research organizations, think tanks, embassies, business associations, co-ops, consumer organizations, sports organizations, and others.

▪ **Lectures, articles, interviews, panel discussions, etc.**

In response to requests from media, organizations, companies, and other entities, we will disseminate information through lectures, articles, interviews, and panel discussions, etc.

(5) Other activities supplementary to and/or associated with the above items

We will attract and hire team members and collaborate with external partners to implement the above activities. We will also strengthen our IT and security measures and develop a harassment prevention policy in order to support sound organizational management.

Annual schedule of programs (as of June 2025)

	Q1 (Apr-Jun 2025)	Q2 (Jul-Sep 2025)	Q3 (Oct-Dec 2025)	Q4 (Jan-Mar 2026)
Research and analysis	RE Government budget, Climate Bonds	RE AZEC Assess corporate net zero	RE GX-ETS Sustainable finance	RE Innovative technologies
Governance	Policy-making processes			Governance
Information dissemination	Market research	Branding Statistical data	Branding	Branding Website
Management	Hiring Upgrade management/ac counting	Capacity building IT, security, etc.	Fundraising plan	

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