COP 29 World Climate Talks

As Trump's win tests the world order, diplomats are fretting over what it means for the planet

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President-elect Donald Trump at an election results party on November 6, 2024, in West Palm Beach, Florida.

CNN —

America's allies and foes alike have spent the past five days speculating about what Donald Trump's re-election will mean for their economies, security and <u>the</u> world's grinding wars.

Similar anxieties are brewing among diplomats gathering in Azerbaijan's capital, Baku, on Monday for the COP29 climate talks — and for good reason: Trump has vowed to again pull the United States from the Paris Agreement, which binds nearly all the world's countries to dramatically slash carbon pollution. Instead, he is poised to revive his "drill baby, drill" agenda to cash in on more American oil and gas.

As the Biden administration winds down, it is racing to send climate and environment funds to states and buttoning up last-minute regulations aimed at protecting the planet, one of its top climate officials said Monday.

"We still have plenty of work to do, and we have around 72 days, I think, to get it done," said John Podesta, a senior White House adviser on clean energy who is also leading the US delegation at the UN climate conference in Baku, Azerbaijan.

Speaking to reporters at Baku on Monday, the first official day at COP29, **Podesta** said the Biden administration is "fully committed" to obligating outstanding funding under Biden's climate law, the Inflation Reduction Act. The current administration has other major things left on its to-do list, including finalizing California's federal waiver to set its own emissions standards and completing a federal review on US exports of liquified natural gas.

A U-turn on US climate policy could be disastrous for the planet, as it raises the risk of emulation. When America does something on the world stage, at least some countries tend to follow.

"Paris is one of those agreements where you need a critical mass of economic powers and emitters, past and present, to actually be able to address this challenge," said Oli Brown, an associate fellow at the London-based think tank Chatham House.

Ahead of Trump's inauguration, negotiators will ramp down their expectations in terms of what's possible at the talks, he said.

"And it will allow big emitters to not take the kind of ambitious action that's needed, because they don't want to be at a competitive disadvantage to the US, if the US is unburdened by any sense of collective responsibility," he told CNN.

Leaders snub another petrostate summit

The COP29 talks were already shaping up to be lackluster. It's the third year in a row that they've been held in a petrostate. Mukhtar Babayev, a state-oil company veteran, will preside over the event.

More striking than the list of leaders making opening remarks is the list of those who won't bother going at all: US President Joe Biden, France's Emmanuel Macron, European Union chief Ursula Von Der Leyen and even Claudia Sheinbaum, the climate scientist-turned-president of Mexico.

A number of leaders who were scheduled to go have since pulled out. German Chancellor Olaf Scholz canceled his appearance after his fragile three-way coalition government collapsed last week. Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof withdrew to deal with his own domestic crisis, <u>as violent clashes erupted in</u> <u>Amsterdam</u> around a football match contested by Israeli team Maccabi Tel Aviv. President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, who will host the climate talks next year in Brazil, bowed out after a head injury. There will be few powerful leaders to send Trump any kind of warning shots on climate.



The US flag on display at the Wilmington Oil Fields south of Los Angeles, California.



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"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers; But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." 1 Peter 3:12

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