## Structural Barriers To NDC Implementation And Meaningful Civil Society Participation

## Project Background

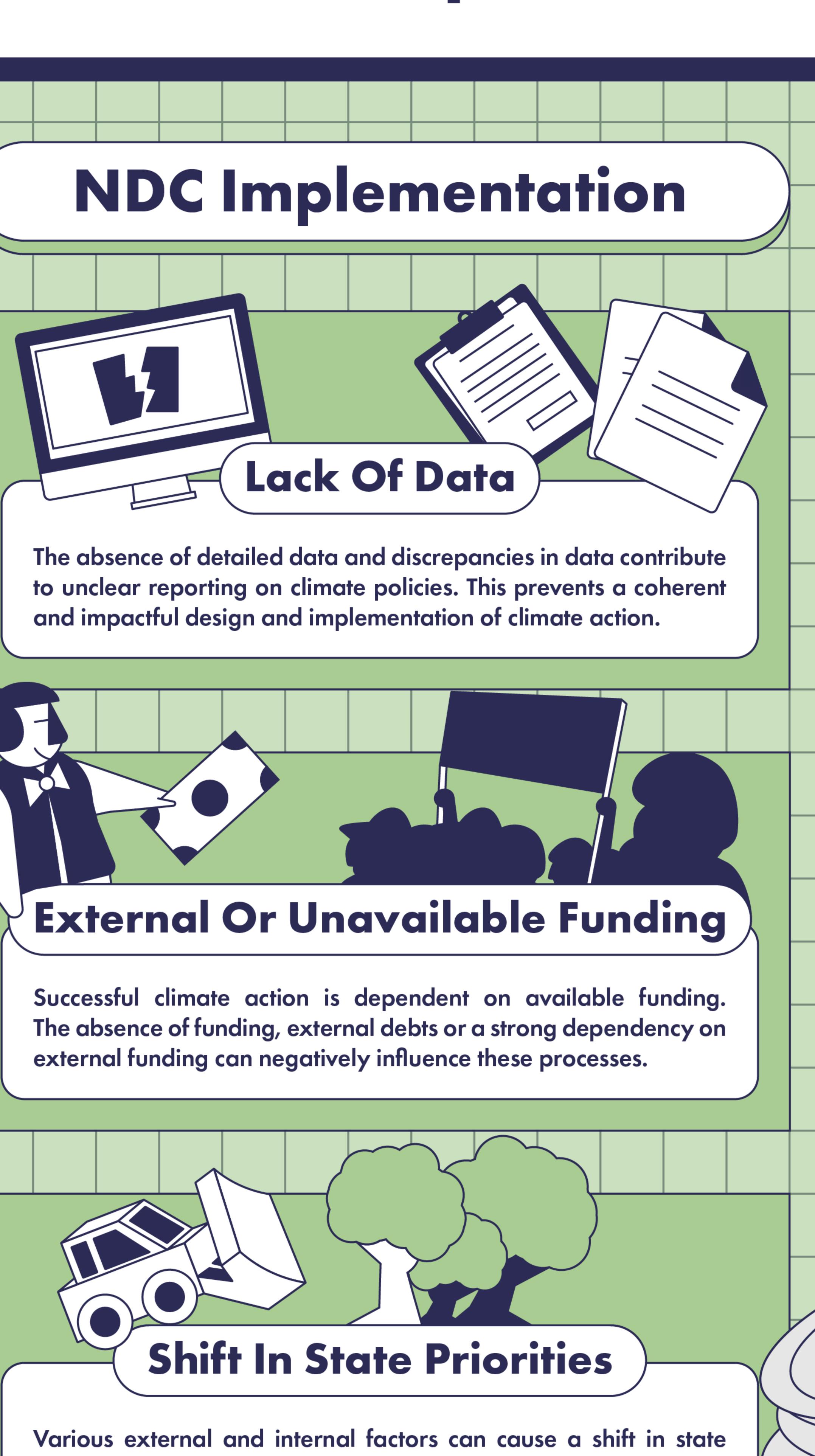
In order to keep global warming well below 1,5 degrees, we must swiftly transform our economies and translate international climate targets into tangible actions.

One important element in this process is a coherent implementation of the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) from the national to the local level. Within the framework of the Paris Agreement, NDCs are a key tool to ratchet up ambition, but there are significant gaps between the ambition that is needed and the currently proposed policies on the one hand and between what is promised in the NDCs and what is actually being implemented on the other hand.

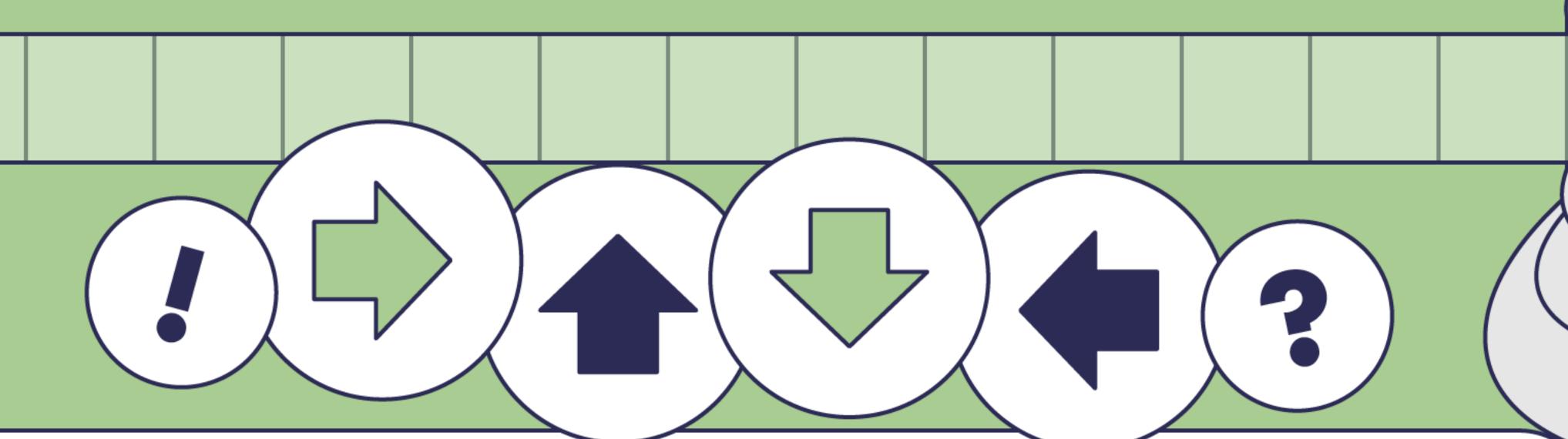
Another important element is a meaningful participation of civil society, which can ensure that climate legislation is rooted in local realities and interests and can foster acceptance for political measures.

For the purpose of identifying barriers that hinder these two processes, ten studies were conducted by local research teams in Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Moldova and Kazakhstan. A synthesis report of these studies identifies five barriers hindering a coherent implementation of NDCs and four barriers hindering meaningful civil society participation.





priorities away from the climate emergency, preventing strong climate action.



## **Horizontal And Vertical Incoherencies**

Structural discrepancies between different national climate strategies as well as between national and local climate targets and measures can impede meaningful climate action.

An absence of mechanisms that facilitate knowledge generation and dissemination as well as shortages of funding and personnel can lead to a lack of understanding about climate issues in governments.

Lack Of Awareness

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