

ADB Workshop on Policy Architecture for High Integrity Carbon Markets under the Paris Agreement

10-11 December 2024 | Aloft Singapore Novena | In person by Invitation

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Day 1 10 December 2024	
8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Registration & Welcome Coffee/Tea</i>
9:00 – 9:30am	<p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>The opening ceremony includes high-level speakers who share their perspectives about emerging carbon market opportunities.</p>
9:30 – 10:00am	<i>Group Photo and Break</i>
TECHNICAL SESSIONS	
10:00 – 10:15am	<p>Trading for Tomorrow: A Carbon Credit Journey</p> <p>An interactive session involving role play providing a snapshot of the journey of a carbon credit – from its creation to how it ultimately helps to tackle climate change.</p>
10:15 – 11:00am	<p>Session 1: International Carbon Market Opportunities – From Ambition to Action</p> <p>The session brings together carbon market players from both the supply and demand side to highlight success stories in the transport, energy and nature-based solutions spaces and discuss opportunities and challenges in further scaling up carbon markets in the Asia and the Pacific region.</p>
11:00am – 12:00pm	<p>Session 2: Article 6 of the Paris Agreement</p> <p>This session brings together experts and policymakers working to operationalize Article 6 to deep dive into the current updates on operationalizing Article 6 and what countries are doing to set up Article 6 frameworks.</p>
12:00 – 1:30pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1:30 – 2:30pm	<p>Session 3: Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM) in the Paris Era</p> <p>This session convenes experts and policymakers working to take advantage of VCM. The session covers current updates on VCM, global best practices and guidelines to ensure integrity in the market, how countries are thinking about engaging with VCM and general market observations.</p>
2:30 – 3:30pm	Session 4: Navigating the Lifecycle of Carbon Projects – From Project

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	<p>Development to Credit Monetization</p> <p>This session covers the entire lifecycle of carbon credits from project development to credit monetization – as explained by experts in the field. It delves into how carbon crediting projects are developed and who the players are, as well as the process for issuing, registering and tracking carbon credits. The session also considers issues relating to transfer and trading of carbon credits, how to deal with the risk of reversal and how to avoid double counting. Finally, credit exchanges and buyers share insights on how to monetize carbon credits.</p>
3:30 – 3:45pm	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
3:45 – 4:30am	<p>Session 5: Benefit Sharing, Sustainable Development Impacts & Social and Environmental Safeguards</p> <p>In this session, experts discuss benefit-sharing arrangements in the different types of carbon crediting projects and showcase good examples. It also discusses project proponent’s requirements to ensure integrity and social and environmental safeguards.</p>
Day 2 11 December 2024	
8:30 – 9:00am	<i>Welcome Coffee/Tea</i>
9:00 – 10:00am	<p>Session 6: Developing National Strategies for International Carbon Markets</p> <p>This session brings together experts who supported the development of ADB’s knowledge resource entitled National Strategies for Carbon Markets under the Paris Agreement: Making Informed Policy Choices, as well as policymakers from ADB’s developing member countries who have made progress in developing national strategies for international carbon markets to share their experiences.</p>
10:00 – 10:30am	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
10:30 – 11:30am	<p>Session 7: Introduction to ADB’s Guidance Framework to Implement and Operationalize Article 6</p> <p>This session introduces and discusses the Guidance Framework developed by ADB to implement and operationalize Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.</p>
11:30 – 12:30pm	Session 8: Developing National Carbon Market Legal and Regulatory Frameworks and Legal Nature of Voluntary Carbon Credits

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	<p>This session sheds light on how a country's legal and regulatory framework can support the overall integrity of carbon markets including mitigating against the risk of negative impacts from VCM projects. It will highlight the importance of defining the legal nature of voluntary carbon credits and introduce the participants to <i>ADB's Carbon Legislative Options Framework and its accompanying Implementation Guidelines</i> which can serve as a legal blueprint for policymakers, government officials and other stakeholders in the design of carbon market laws and regulations.</p>
12:30 – 1:30pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1:30 – 2:45pm	<p>Session 9: Group Discussion – Experience Sharing and Next Steps</p> <p>This session convenes a discussion on the way forward - how ADB developing member countries can take advantage of the frameworks developed by ADB and what support they need to build high integrity international carbon markets.</p>
2:45 – 3:00pm	<p>Closing Ceremony</p> <p>The closing ceremony includes high-level speakers who provide their perspectives about emerging carbon market opportunities.</p>
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Networking/Refreshments