Regulating carbon markets: building capacity for the implementation of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

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National Carbon Infrastructure - Registries

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BACKGROUND: MRV AND TRANSPARENCY

Reporting requirements under Article 6:

As per the Glasgow text, participating parties are required to regularly submit information on projects and programs related to their Article 6 activities. The reporting requirements are intended to ensure environmental integrity and transparency of the Article 6.

Vital Infrastructure:

- **Inventory** Records physical GHG emissions and removals for a country
- **Data Management System** Records information on carbon unit and policy/program/project
- Registry Records carbon units for market mechanism/results-based climate finance programs, etc.

While the DMS can be implemented offline, it is mandatory to display information related to projects and units online in a registry.

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Data Management System

- A database that stores and tracks information related to GHG emissions, emission reductions/removals, methodologies and tools, permissions required for project operation, host country issued documents, stakeholder engagement documentation, monitoring reports, validation, and verification reports, among others.
- This information is reported in the initial report and in the Biennial Transparency Report
- It serves to satisfy transparency, environmental integrity, and overall quality concerns regarding MOs and ITMOs generated by mitigation actions

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Registry:

- A system that has two functionalities:
 - A register database that records unit-level information as required by the market mechanism. This includes the vintage of the carbon unit, the serial number and location of the project for which the carbon unit was issued, the project owner, or verification details.
 - A transaction registry database that has all the features of a register, plus the capability to transact carbon units between multiple account holders on the transaction registry (internal transfer), and/or the capability to transfer Carbon units to another transaction registry (external transfer).
 - The Register and transaction registry constitutes "The carbon Registry", that tracks information related to the use and transfer of MOs and ITMOs reported by each Party.
 - Whether at the national or international level, all required reporting information on cooperative approaches, CAs, and MOs will need to be recorded and updated in the registry.

Registry Options

A party can use different options for the registry functions:

- Developing a Domestic Registry*
- Developing/Participating in a Regional Registry
- Independent Standard or Third-Party Registry Systems
- International Registry Secretariat / UNFCC

UNDP SUPPORT TO NATIONAL CARBON MARKET REGISTRY DEVELOPMENT

Current Challenges...



Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV) of GHG inventory, NDC actions, and carbon credits is extremely challenging.

Many countries expressing the need to develop similar **digital** transparency systems and registries Standalone development by each country lead to use of fragmented solutions, longer lead time and cost, vendor lock-in and duplicate effort in similar systems without interoperability

Digital Public Goods Approach

Digital

tools



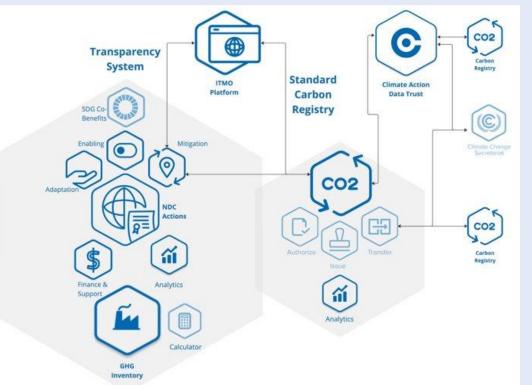
Replicable, Open Source Digital Public Good to Support Sovereign System Development











- Open-source, Digital Public Good codebase for any country to install and adapt
- Collectively built and managed with inputs from 40+ countries and experts, following international guidelines
- Facilitate Interoperability with major platforms to enable end-to-end reporting and carbon credit trade
- Continuous upgrades for security, data, integration, upgrading the registries as technology evolves
- Lowers price, risk, and shortens lead time for system development by reusing software and technical documentation.

















Modular Tools

- Managing carbon Registry:
 Managing carbon credits,
 transactions, and related
 matters to enable access to
 climate finance and ensure
 sustainable development
- System: monitoring emissions, tracking NDC progress, and ensuring that a nation's commitments are reported, building credibility
- Carbon Cooperation
 ITMOS Platform: Article 6.2
 ITMO flows & monitoring
 apps

UNFCCC global registry

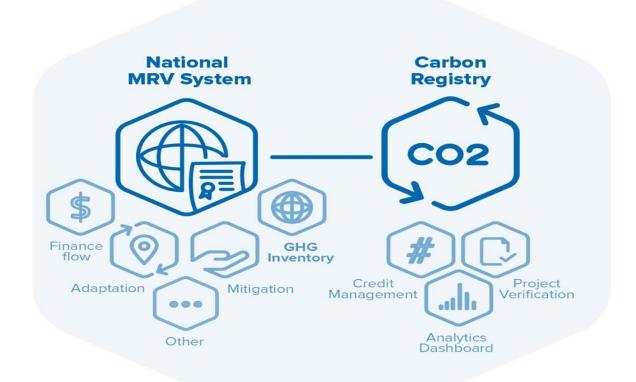
World Bank
Data Warehouse

UNDP ITMO









Carbon Cooperation ITMO Platform





Enhanced verification with video and photo data monitoring. The platform's media capabilities offer robust log verification, bringing an added layer of transparency and reliability to mitigation project MRV.



Configurable User Interface

Tailor the platform to your country's unique process flow with a configurable country page. Users can follow the step-by-step process up to ITMO issuance (through registries)

Bilateral Interaction

Simplifies Article 6.2 ITMO project implementation workflows with a secure, UNDP-hosted one-website solution. Manage carbon programs, from initiation to reporting.

National Carbon Registry



Programme Management

A sovereign hub for managing carbon programs, including issuing & transferring credits, reviewing official documents, & supervising ownership.

Streamline operations, ensure alignment with policies, and efficiently coordinate with stakeholders. Verifiable via blockchain ledger.



Carbon Credit Issuance

Automates the issuance of carbon credits, ensuring accuracy, transparency, and compliance with international standards. Facilitate the recognition and tracking of credits to ensure credibility.



International Trading

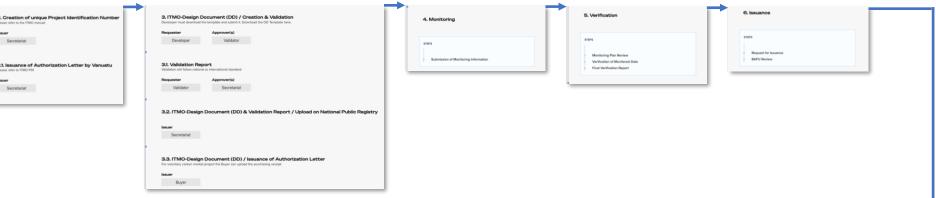
Experience seamless trading of carbon credits within and across borders. Local transfers and retirements are all accounted for with detailed immutable records. While integrations & tokenization allow for traceable international actions.

Carbon Platform Interoperability

ITMO Platform



UNDP-hosted platform manages carbon programme workflows from initiation to issuance.





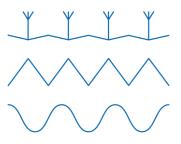
Carbon Registry DPG

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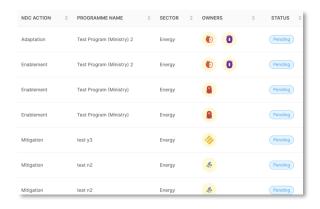






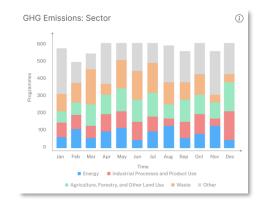


National Transparency System



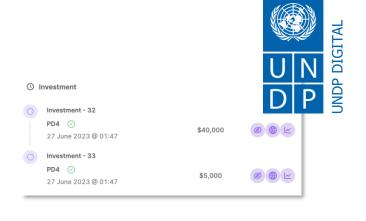
NDC Actions

Effortlessly track and report NDC mitigation / adaptation actions, programs, projects and activities to streamline BTR reporting through integrated CTF. Facilitate compliance to common international commitments and national institutional arrangements.



GHG Inventory

Maintains a comprehensive inventory of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions with ease. The system allows for accurate data collection (with Excel integration) and reporting, supporting informed decisionmaking.



Support Tracking

Gain full visibility into financial flows and support mechanisms related to NDC actions. The system provides a clear picture of investments, capacity building, and technology transfer, ensuring both accountability & effective management.

Budgeting for National Setup:

Key Considerations...



- 2- National carbon market expert to ensure alignment with national carbon market requirements
- 3- In-country scoping mission (optional- see Annex 3 for Mission Plan) (If Global team is needed on field, Plan for Flight ticket and DSA and workshop)
- 4- Workshops with stakeholders, end to end testing and handover
- 5- Maintenance cost, Server, domain cost for 1 year *This will become a recurring cost
- 6- Carbon methodology translation and testing support (Price depending on # of methodology, generally costed in the global component of partnering project)
- 7- Integration of the system with other National (carbon systems) may require additional fees depending on the complexity and number of systems



~50 Days

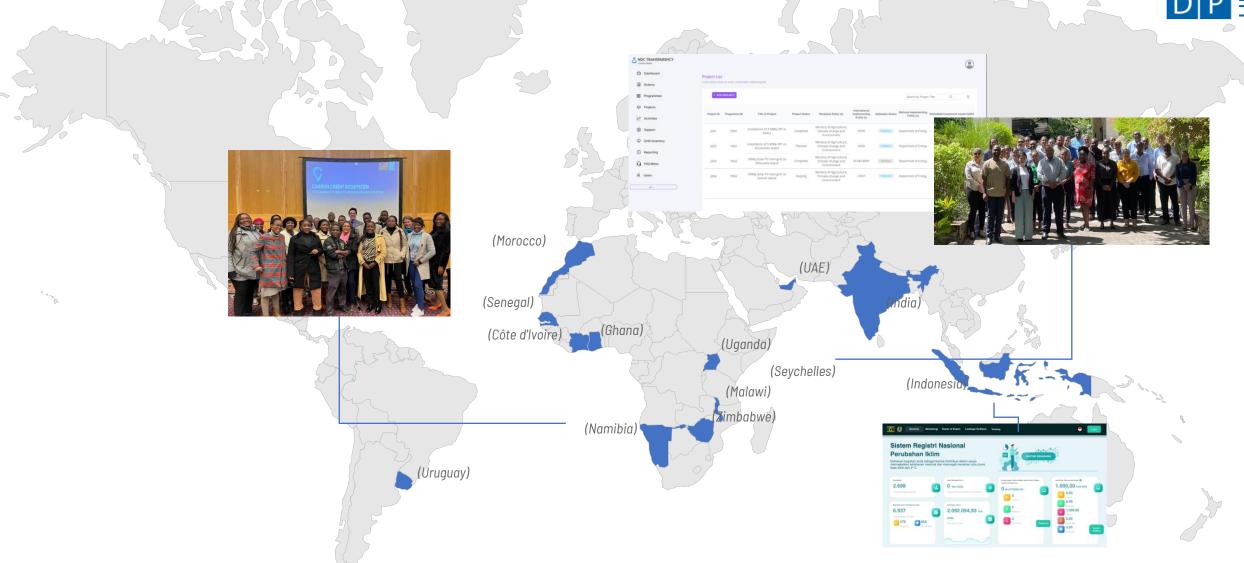
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~3-5 days

~2-3 Days

~1 year

Support provided through Climate Promise Transparency, CBIT and UNDP Carbon Market Offer





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