

# Article 6 Capacity Building

*11<sup>th</sup> December 2023, 2.30-4.00pm*

*Location: Africa Pavilion, Opportunity Petal, Dubai Expo Centre*

Organized by: Economic Commission for Africa, Africa Group of Negotiators (AGN)

## **Concept Note**

### Background

The Paris Agreement on Climate Change sets out a clear global goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1.5 degrees Celsius compared to pre-industrial levels and thus put the world on track to avoid catastrophic climate change impacts.

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement provides a framework for countries to cooperate towards the implementation of their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) through carbon markets (Articles 6.2 and 6.4) and non-market modalities (Article 6.8). These cooperative approaches can enable countries to reach their NDC targets in a more flexible and cost-efficient way. The overall objective is to increase climate ambition, promote sustainable development, and safeguard environmental integrity

The COP 26 climate negotiations in Glasgow established Article 6 Rules and this has prompted a number of countries to enter into or are contemplating, party to party transactions with respect to Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes (ITMOs) under Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement. Meanwhile, more work is needed to finalise the technical and administrative architecture to operationalise the Article 6.4 mechanism, which provides a platform for a global carbon market.

A Supervisory Body has been designated by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) to supervise Article 6.4 mechanism under its authority and guidance.

### Objective

Understand the role of Article 6.4 Supervisory Body, how the body operates, and the implications of these arrangements for the integrity of carbon markets, especially in Africa.

### Expected output

By the end of this session, participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body's role, progress, operations, and its implications on carbon markets integrity, especially in the African context.

### Target Participants

Government officials, policymakers, climate change practitioners, representatives from financial institutions, and other stakeholders involved in climate action and carbon market development.

## Draft Agenda

Item	Speaker
<b>Welcome remarks, introduction of topic, agenda and speakers:</b>	<i>James Murombedzi</i> , Chief of Section, African Climate Policy Centre, UN Economic Commission for Africa
<b>Moderation:</b>	<i>Nesbert Samu</i> , Chief Director of Parliament Programmes, Zimbabwe
<b>Presentation:</b>	<i>El Hadji Mbaye Diagne</i> , Chair of Supervisory Body for Article 6.4, Senegal
<b>Panelists:</b>	<i>Alick Bulala Muvundika</i> , Acting Deputy Director, National Institute for Scientific and Industrial Research, Zambia (CDM Issues)  <i>Tirivanhu Muhwati</i> , Climate Scientist, Ministry of Environment, Water and Climate Change, Zimbabwe (Supervisory bodies)
<b>Question/Answer session</b>  <b>Closing remarks:</b> <i>Yemi Katerere</i> , Coordinator, African CSO Biodiversity Alliance, Zimbabwe	