

Some points for discussion at the round table on SBSTA 47 agenda item 11 (a)

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Some general remarks

- Article 6 and its market and non-market mechanisms should:
 - Promote sustainable development and mitigation and adaptation actions on the global scale;
 - Support projects that reduce anthropogenic emissions by sources and enlarge removals by sinks, including forests in a more cost efficient way;
 - Contribute to the creation of universal regulation system of anthropogenic GHG emissions.
- Global approach requires the most open format of participation of all Parties to the Paris Agreement and should eliminate any restrictions imposed on such participation on any grounds other than those directly related to the matters of transfer of the emission reduction units.
- Economic sanctions reduce adaptive and mitigating capacity of Parties and cast doubt on achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Article 6.2 priority issues

- Avoiding double-counting;
- Assuring transparency;
- Enabling all Parties irrespective of their NDC type to transfer mitigation outcomes;
- Unifying metrics of different type of ITMO for 6.2 application purposes;
- Identifying and promoting “best practices” for ITMO cooperation and implementation;
- Establishing directives for collaborative approaches in accordance with good governance.

• How can we ensure that the guidance in relation to environmental integrity is sufficient?

- Environmental integrity is achieved by ensuring of robust accounting of all ITMO transfers and thus by avoiding of double counting.
- Participating Parties should utilize standard metrics for ITMO that reflect the scope of NDC (GHG, sectors).
 - For heterogeneous NDCs, corresponding adjustments should be applied.
- Robust accounting in the NDC recording system should assure that each Party base its ITMO (the results of reduction) on the type of NDC used.
- National registries, annual inventories and international “ITL” should be key elements of robust accounting system.
- Climate change mitigation results used to achieve NDC in one country should be appropriately added/deducted from the NDC of another country participating in the ITMO activity and should be expressed in emission reduction or absorption units.