United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Update on the discussions on Non-Market-based Approaches under SBSTA Agenda Item 13

Market and Non-market mechanisms under the Convention

Expert meeting on non-market-based approaches and REDD+ 6 June 2014, Bonn, Germany



Background on the negotiations

Doha 2012 (COP 18):

- Requested SBSTA to conduct a work programme to elaborate NMAs with a view to recommending a decision to COP 19. (Decision1/CP.18, paragraph 47)
- Invited submissions on non-market-based approaches

Bonn 2013 (SBSTA 38):

- o Invited further submissions on a number of questions related to the scope and purpose of NMAs. Encouraged the use of specific examples
- o Requested the secretariat to organize a workshop prior to SBSTA 39
 - Workshop was held on 7 October 2013 (FCCC/2013/SBSTA/INF.12)

Warsaw 2013 (SBSTA 39):

Rich discussion but no conclusions. Item forwarded to SBSTA 40



Where are we now?

- NMAs are not yet defined
- Emerging as a means for cost-effective and measurable mitigation and incentives for carbon-pricing without the creation of internationally transferable units
- Countries need a mix of market and non-market-based approaches in their response to climate change
- In some cases non-market-based approaches are more cost-effective or suitable than market-based approaches





Focus of the discussion at SBSTA 40

- The purpose of NMAs
- The scope of the work programme on NMAs under the UNFCCC as well as the relation between NMAs and other mechanisms
- Action by the UNFCCC What can be agreed internationally under this agenda item to add value to ongoing domestic efforts and discussions elsewhere in the UNFCCC process





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Combatting climate change will require mobilization of substantial resources. Success will demand on the establishment of mechanisms and approaches that incentivize the mobilization of those needed resources. Cooperation between Parties and between private and public-sector stakeholders is considered crucial.

COP.18 (Doha, 2012) requested the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) to conduct three work programmes to elaborate:

- · A framework for various approaches
- · Non-market-based approaches
- · Modalities and procedures for the new market-based mechanism

This Decision captured the outcome of several years of negotiations under the AWG-LCA. Pursuant to the Bali Action Plan, COP.16 (Cancun, 2010) decided to consider the establishment of one or more market-based and non-market based mechanisms and agreed on criteria to guide their

Submissions

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Views on modalities and procedures for the new marketbased mechanism. Submissions from Parties

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