

**Submission by Australia, Canada, Japan, Kazakhstan, New Zealand, the Russian Federation,
Ukraine and the United States**

Explanatory note: The following text presents the proposal by Australia, Canada, Japan, Kazakhstan, New Zealand, the Russian Federation, Ukraine and the United States for Doha decision text on the Framework for Various Approaches (FVA), focusing on market-based approaches. Please note that the text is not intended to exclude additional text on a New Market Mechanism or a FVA for non-market based approaches. The proponents of this proposal welcome outcomes on both work programs in Doha.

Recalling decisions 1/CP.13, 1/CP.16 and 2/CP.17;

Recognising the need for a framework for various approaches, including opportunities for using markets, to enhance the cost-effectiveness of, and to promote, mitigation action, bearing in mind the different circumstances of countries;

1. *Decides* to elaborate a framework for the purpose of facilitating the development and implementation of, and coordinating interaction among, existing and emerging market based approaches that result in international transfers of mitigation outcomes, in a transparent manner that provides assurance of environmental integrity;
2. *Decides* that, in order to fulfil its purpose, the roles of the framework should be to:
 - a) provide for the exchange of information, experience and good practice on the development of standards to deliver real, permanent, additional and verified mitigation outcomes and achieving net decrease and/or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions from market based approaches;
 - b) assure transparency on how the standards are applied and international transfers of mitigation outcomes are used by Parties implementing market based approaches;
 - c) assure avoidance of double counting of effort from mitigation outcomes;
3. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) to elaborate the framework, with a view to recommending a decision to the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth session, by developing elements for:
 - a) sharing information, experience and good practice on the development of standards to deliver real, permanent, additional and verified mitigation outcomes and achieving net decrease and/or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions from market based approaches;
 - b) arrangements, including ex ante and ex post reporting, technical analysis and discussion, to provide transparency on how standards are applied and international transfers of mitigation outcomes are used by Parties implementing market based approaches, including through existing reporting systems under the UNFCCC;

- c) avoiding double counting of effort from mitigation outcomes that are transferred internationally, especially at points of issuance and retirement, including through the establishment and operation of registries and international systems to track international transfers of mitigation outcomes;
4. *Decides*, in order to facilitate the process for elaboration of the framework, to:
- a) invite Parties and invited observer organizations to submit to the Secretariat by [date]:
 - i. views on the matters set out in paragraph 3; and
 - ii. information on the market based approaches they are developing or implementing, or planning to develop and implement, individually and jointly, that would fall within the purpose of the framework set out in paragraph 1, including information on how these approaches deliver real, permanent, additional and verified mitigation outcomes, and avoid double counting;
 - b) request the Secretariat to compile the information submitted in accordance with paragraph 4 (a), for consideration by the SBI at its thirty-eighth session, in a miscellaneous document, along with a synthesis report that identifies areas of commonality.