

Article 6.8

Understanding and engaging with non-market approaches

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PART 1

Setting the scene: Article 6.8 and non-market approaches

What you will take away

A practical, example-based session on Article 6.8 and non-market approaches – how they support NDC implementation through voluntary cooperation on finance, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building

By the end of this session you will be able to:

01



Explain what Article 6.8 is and how it differs from Articles 6.2 and 6.4

02



Recognize and frame a non-market approach

03



Bring an existing initiative or new idea into the framework

04



Record a non-market approach on the NMA Platform

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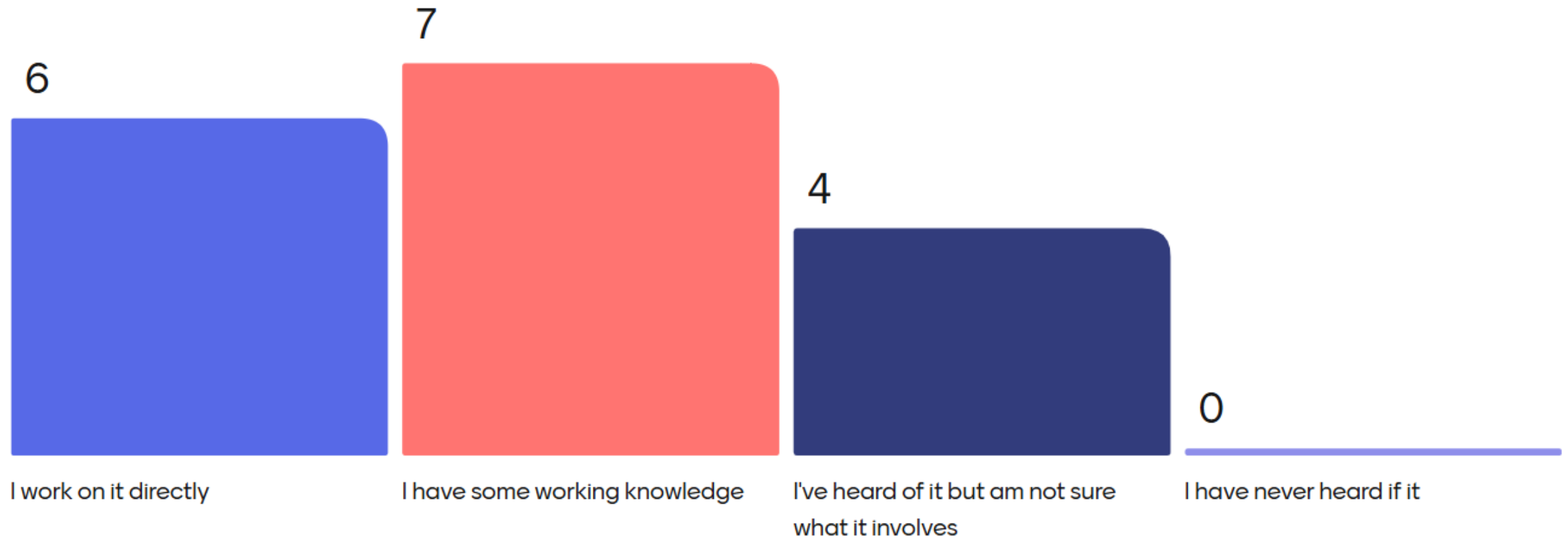
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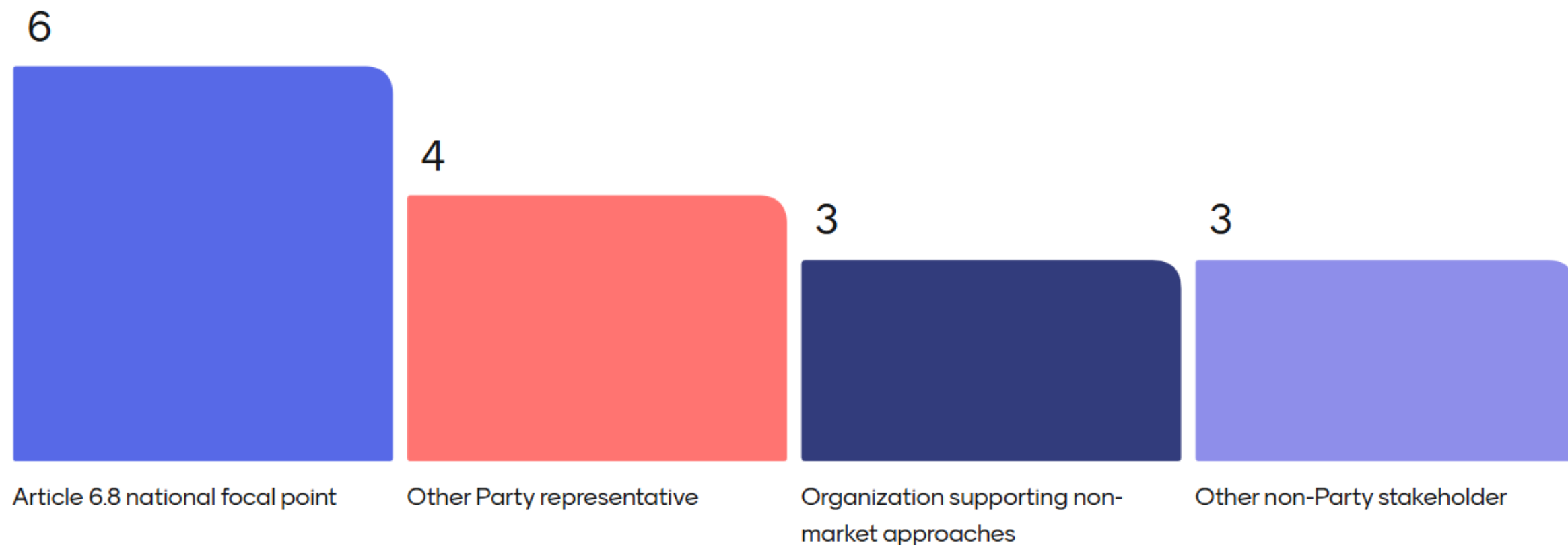
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How familiar are you with Article 6...



Which role best describes you today.



Three ways Parties can cooperate under Article 6

6.2

Cooperative approaches

Bilateral/multilateral cooperation between interested countries, involving transfers of the mitigation outcomes (ITMOs) produced through such cooperation

Market-based

6.4

Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism

Enables countries and other actors to work together on reducing greenhouse gas emissions by generating high-integrity carbon credits.

Market-based

6.8

Non-market approaches

Facilitates climate action through international cooperation focused on **sustainable development** and **poverty eradication**, that is **not reliant on market-based approaches**

Non-market

What Article 6.8 is

Voluntary cooperation to assist Parties in NDC implementation: through **finance, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building**

What Article 6.8 is not

No credits, no ITMOs, no offsetting; **does not include transactions or quid pro quo operations**

WHAT IT ADDS



A recognized home

A place under the Paris Agreement for voluntary cooperation beyond carbon markets, connecting Parties and non-Party stakeholders



Mitigation and adaptation

Unlike 6.2 and 6.4, which work primarily through mitigation outcomes, Article 6.8 can raise ambition on both mitigation and adaptation

Global Climate Action Agenda axes

1. Transitioning Energy, Industry and Transport
2. Stewarding Forests, Oceans and Biodiversity
3. Transforming Agriculture and Food Systems
4. Building Resilience for Cities, Infrastructure and Water
5. Fostering Human and Social Development

Axis 6 – The cross-cutting axis

Unleashing Enablers and Accelerators: **finance, technology and capacity-building**

Article 6.8 is built around these same enablers. Non-market approaches deliver cooperation through **finance, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building**. They can mobilize enablers such as climate and sustainable finance, finance for adaptation, and stronger governance and institutions, and channel them into other axes.

Finance

Technology

Capacity-building

PART 2

Identifying and developing non-market approaches in practice

What makes a non-market approach?

Framework characteristics: Decision 4/CMA.3

01

Voluntary

Identified by participating Parties on a voluntary basis

02

Multi-Party

Involves more than one participating Party

03

No mitigation transfer

Does not involve the transfer of any mitigation outcomes

04

Supports NDCs and 1.5 °C

Facilitates NDC implementation and the Paris Agreement long-term temperature goal

05

Respects rights

Conducted consistent with the 11th preambular paragraph of the Paris Agreement

06

Does no harm

Minimizes and avoids negative environmental, economic and social impacts

How to identify and frame a non-market approach

01

Start

Two starting points: an existing cooperation initiative or a new climate idea

02

Check

Test it against the non-market approach criteria

03

Define

Set out objectives, activities and support needs: finance, technology, capacity

04

Frame

Confirm which Parties (and non-Parties) are / will be involved, and how they will work together

Case study: Recycle Organics

Reducing landfill methane from organic waste in **Chile**, with support from **Canada**; Arcadis and ImplementaSur are implementing partners

Three main pillars

1. Technology deployment and project implementation: gas capture at disposal sites, separation of organics at source for composting
2. Public policy development: supported Chile's National Strategy on Organic Waste
3. Capacity-building and education for municipalities and communities

OUTCOMES

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projects supported in composting, biodigestion and landfill gas capture

9.5 Mt

potential CO₂e reductions by 2040

40

municipalities trained to advance organic waste recovery

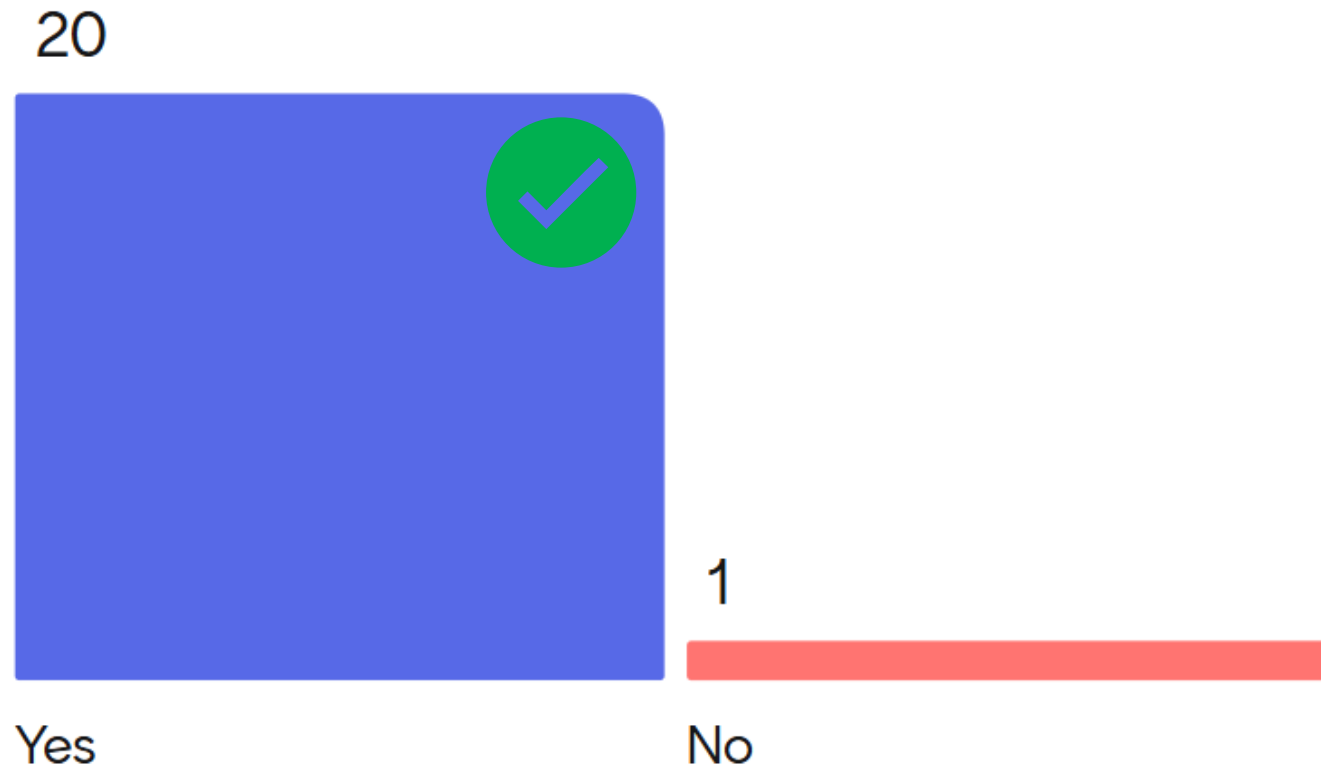
Four-step example: Recycle Organics Chile

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| 01 Start | Existing Canada–Chile cooperation initiative on organic waste and methane emissions reduction |
| 02 Check | Two Parties: Chile and Canada Supports NDCs: waste sector mitigation
Non-market: no transfer of mitigation outcomes or quid pro quo |
| 03 Define | Objective: reduce methane from organic waste Activities: policy development, project implementation, capacity-building, community engagement
Support: finance, technology, capacity-building |
| 04 Frame | Parties: Chile and Canada Non-Party stakeholders: Arcadis and ImplementaSur
Broader framing: mitigation, sustainable development |

Scenario 1: Heat-resilient health systems

Two Parties voluntarily establish a programme to strengthen hospitals and public health systems against extreme heat. They share technical expertise and finance, and the programme supports adaptation priorities in their NDCs. No mitigation outcomes are generated or transferred, and vulnerable groups are involved in its design.

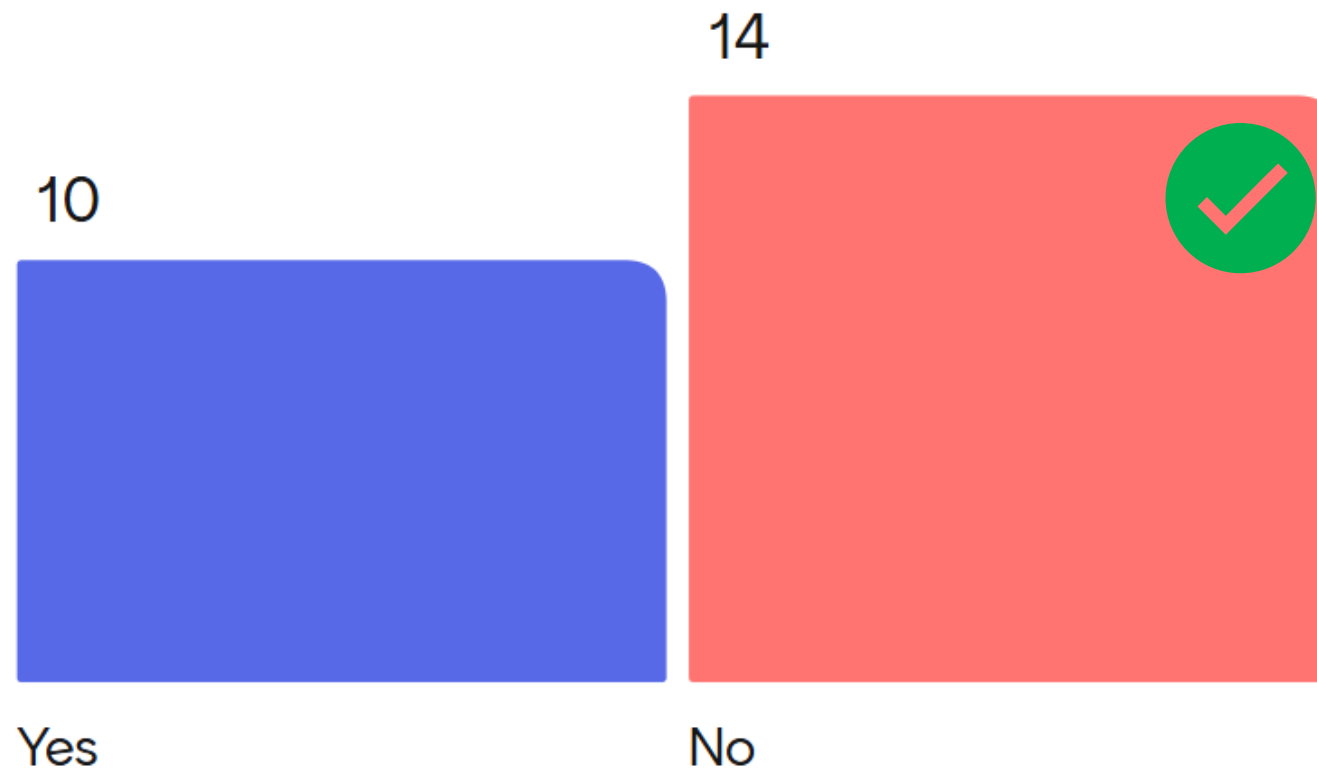
Is "Scenario 1: Heat-resilient health systems" a non-market app



Scenario 2: National wetlands protection programme

A Party launches a wetlands protection programme that contributes to its NDC. A UN agency, an international development bank and several NGOs provide finance and technical assistance. No carbon credits are issued.

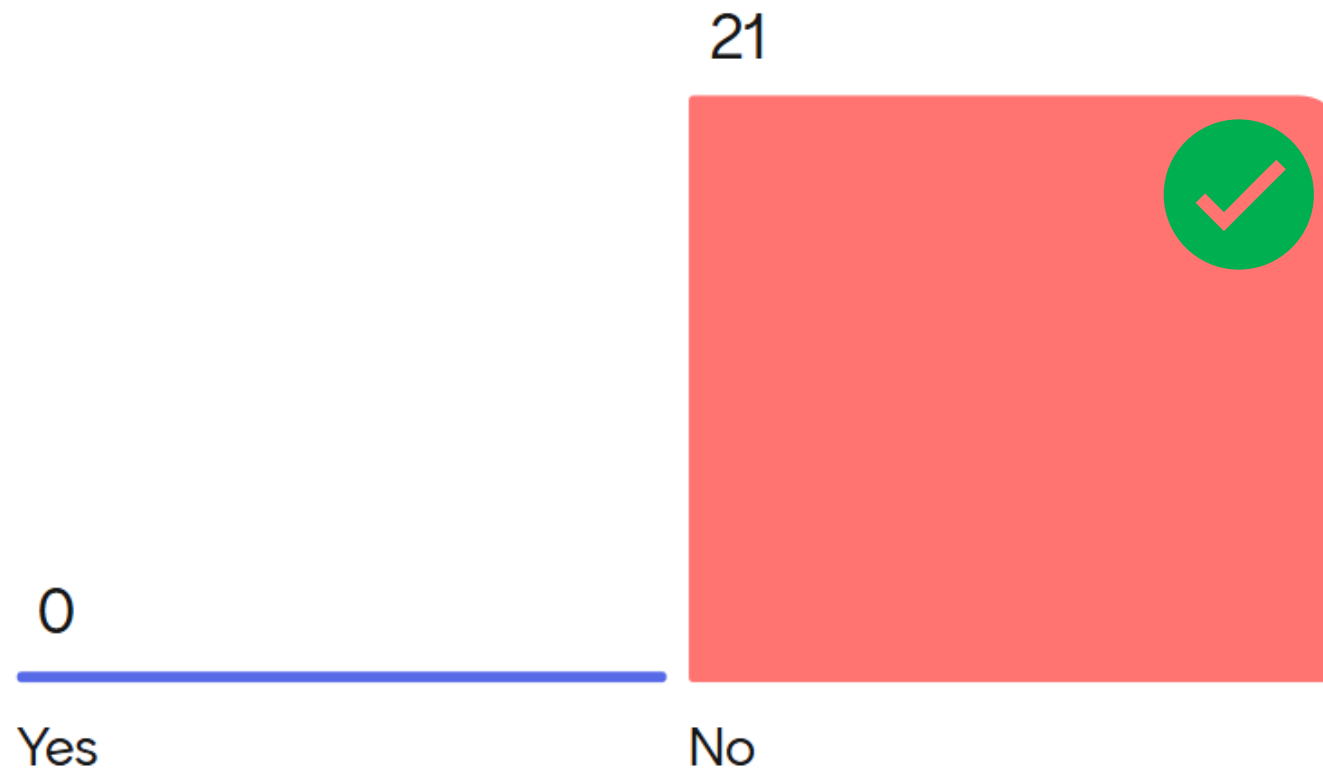
Is "Scenario 2: National wetlands restoration programme" a non-market approach?



Scenario 3: Forest restoration project

Two Parties jointly fund a forest restoration project that supports the host Party's NDC. No mitigation outcomes are generated or transferred. However, the project restricts local and Indigenous communities' access to the land without meaningful consultation.

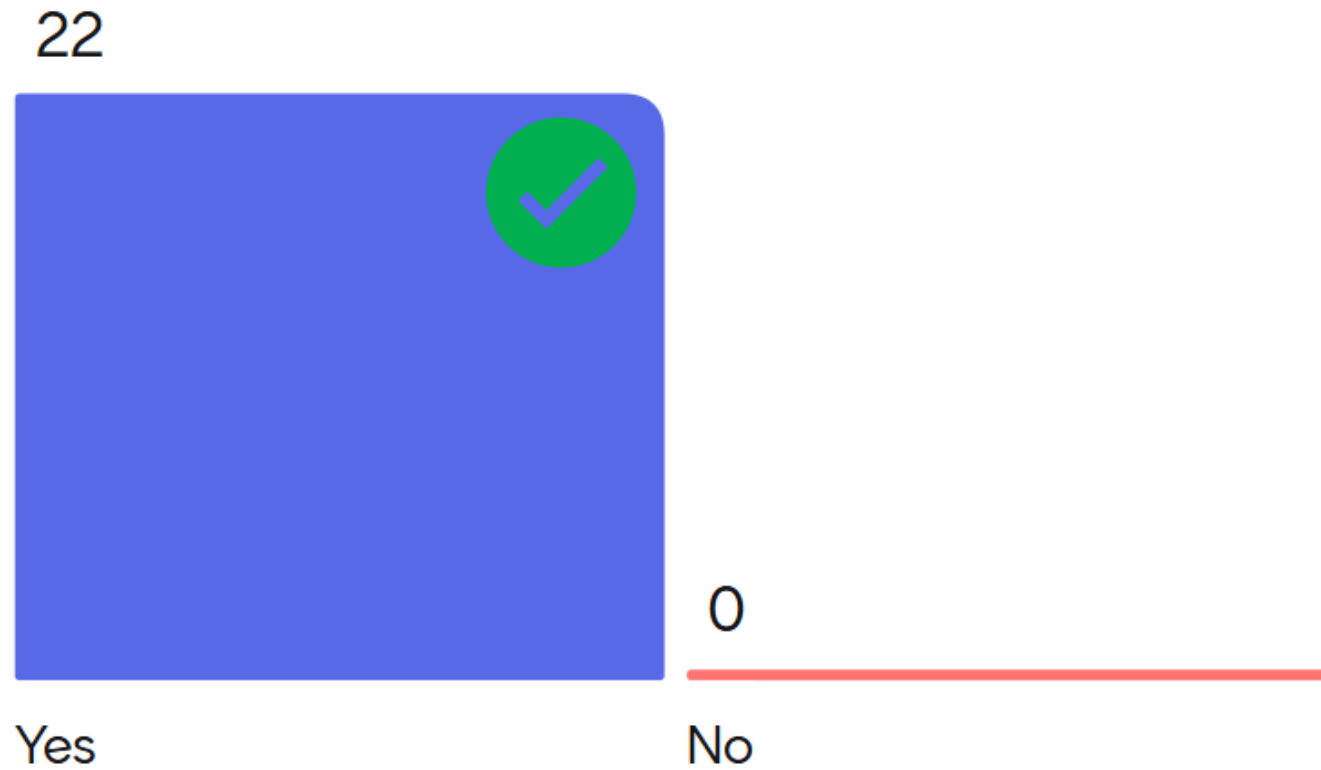
Is "Scenario 3: Forest restoration project" a non-market app



Scenario 4: Climate-resilient school meals

Three Parties voluntarily develop a programme to strengthen climate-resilient food supply chains for school meal programmes. The activities support adaptation and food security priorities in their NDCs. No mitigation outcomes are transferred, and the programme includes consultations with farmers, women's organizations and local communities.

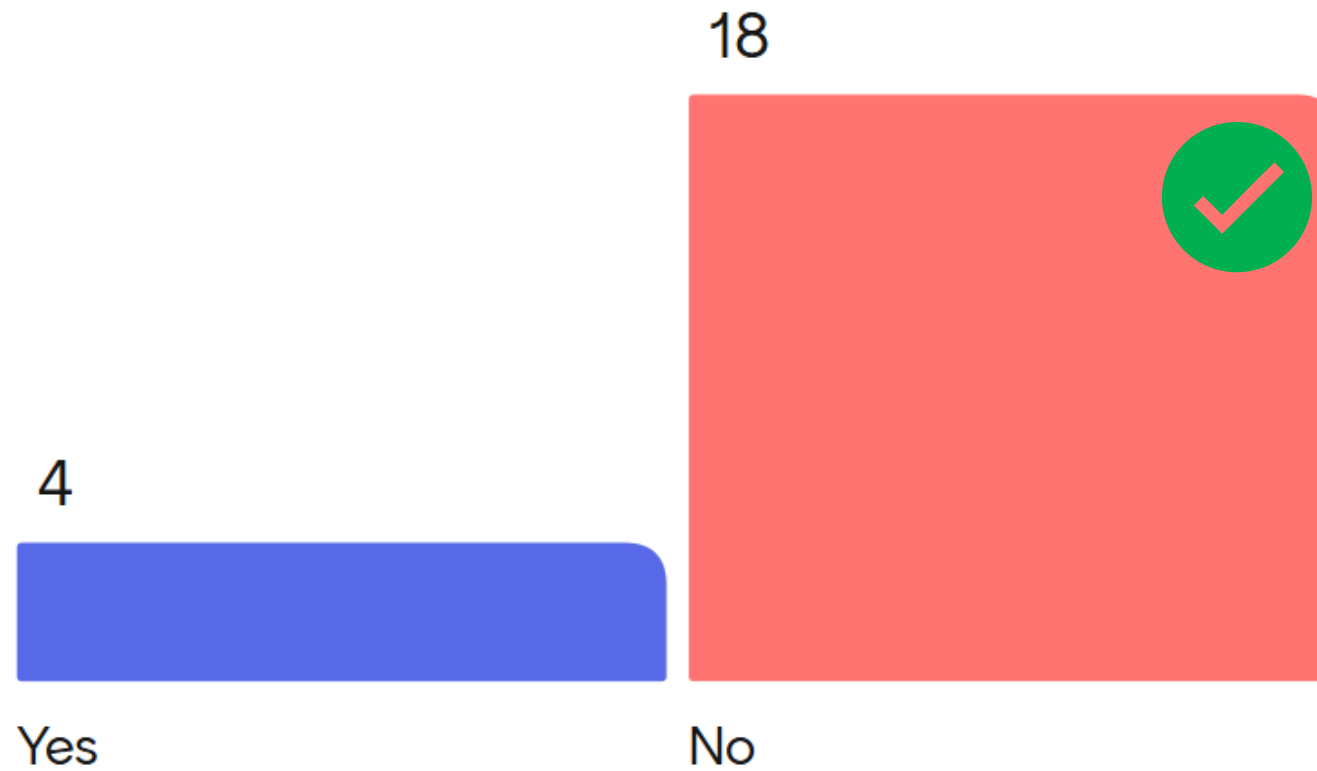
Is "Scenario 4: Climate-resilient school meals" a non-market app



Scenario 5: Coastal adaptation in exchange for port privileges

Party A finances the construction of coastal flood defences in Party B, supporting adaptation priorities in Party B's NDC. No mitigation outcomes are generated or transferred. In return, Party B grants shipping companies from Party A preferential access and reduced fees at its major ports.

Is "Scenario 5: Coastal adaptation in exchange for port privileges" a market approach?



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Questions



PART 3

Engaging with Article 6.8: Roles, NMA Platform and institutional arrangements

Why engage on Article 6.8?

Article 6.8 is the framework for cooperation beyond markets and engaging on it is a decision in its own right.

The value is the cooperation itself. The framework brings Parties – and non-Party stakeholders – together around shared approaches, so **mitigation and adaptation can be scaled together rather than country by country.**

What cooperation under Article 6.8 unlocks:



Scaled-up mitigation and adaptation, delivered jointly



Efficiencies and synergies that acting alone cannot produce



Recognition under the Paris Agreement – and a path to support



Partners: Parties and non-Party stakeholders, working under agreed criteria

Roles of Parties and non-Party stakeholders

01

Article 6.8 national focal points

Coordinate Article 6.8 nationally and record their Party's non-market approaches on the NMA Platform

02

Host Parties

The countries where the non-market approach is implemented; all mitigation and adaptation benefits stay with them – nothing is transferred away

03

Parties providing support

Enable the non-market approach through finance, technology development and transfer, or capacity-building – and receive no credits in return

04

Other non-Party stakeholders

IGOs, civil society, the private sector, etc may initiate or support non-market approaches – but at least two Parties must always be involved

Recording non-market approaches on the NMA Platform

What recording on the NMA Platform does:



Makes your approach visible to Parties and stakeholders



Sets out clearly the support you need or can offer



Builds a shared record of practice and lessons learned under Article 6.8

The NMA Platform is one tool within the Article 6.8 framework. The substance is the cooperation, the partners and the support — recording is the step that makes this visible to others. It is **voluntary, and for information sharing, not approval.**

NMA Platform

The NMA Platform is designed to record and exchange information on non-market approaches under Article 6, paragraph 8, of the [Paris Agreement](#). It is established in accordance with [decision 8/CMA.4](#) and enables participating Parties and non-Party stakeholders to identify, develop and implement non-market approaches. The platform includes information on finance, technology and capacity-building support available or provided for these initiatives.

Non-market approaches under Article 6.8 support Parties' climate efforts by promoting mitigation and adaptation ambition. They aim to enhance participation from the public and private sectors, as well as civil society organizations, in implementing [nationally determined contributions](#). They also create opportunities for coordination across different climate instruments and institutional frameworks.

Each non-market approach is identified voluntarily by participating Parties, involves more than one participating Party and does not involve the transfer of mitigation outcomes. Initiatives must support the achievement of host Parties' nationally determined contributions, align with the [eleventh preambular paragraph](#) of the Paris Agreement and minimize any potential negative environmental, economic or social impacts.

For any queries, contact nma-platform@unfccc.int. A user manual for Article 6.8 national focal points is available [here](#).

[Non-market approaches](#)

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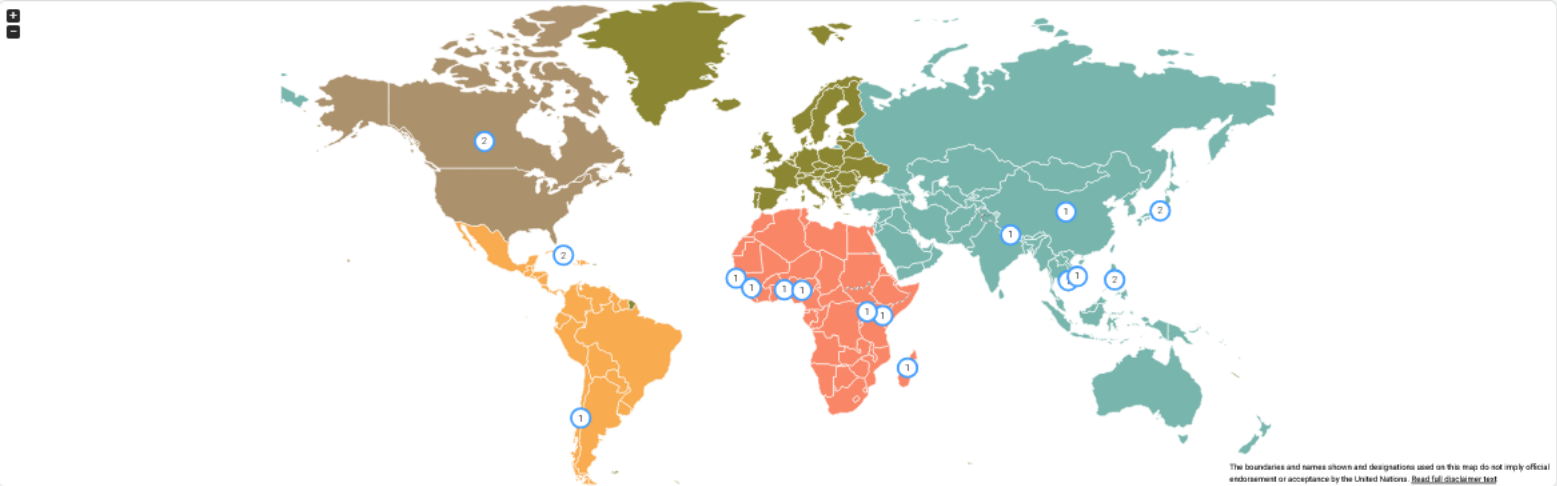
Country

Focus area

Sectors

Support needed

Support provided



All non-market approaches

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Cleaner Energy Future Initiative for ASEAN (CEFIA)

Submitting Party: Japan

Participating Parties: Philippines (host)

Focus area: Development of clean energy sources, Mitigation measures to address climate change and contribute to sustainable development

Sector: Cities, settlements and infrastructure, Energy systems, Industry and transport, Society livelihoods and economies

Support needed: Technology development and transfer, Finance, Capacity-building

Support provided: Technology development and transfer, Capacity-building

Cleaner Energy Future Initiative for ASEAN (CEFIA) is an energy-focused initiative led by Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) since 2019, in close collaboration with the ASEAN Centre for Energy and ASEAN Member States. CEFIA promotes public-private collaboration to accelerate the deployment of clean energy technologies across the ASEAN region. Under the initiative, six flagship projects—Net-Zero Energy Buildings (ZEB)...

Modernization of the Integrated Environmental Surveillance System (SIVA) in Cuba

Submitting Party: Cuba (host)

Participating Parties: China

Focus area: Adaptation, resilience and sustainability

Sector: Cities, settlements and infrastructure, Land, ocean, food and water, Society livelihoods and economies

Support needed: Technology development and transfer, Finance, Capacity-building

Support provided: Technology development and transfer, Finance, Capacity-building

Cooperation between Cuba (CITMA/INSMET) and China (MEE) to modernize Cuba's Integrated Environmental Surveillance System (SIVA) as part of the Material Assistance Program for South-South Cooperation on Climate Change. China provides meteorological equipment including an intelligent early warning all-in-one machine, 49 automatic weather stations, 7 field calibrators, and 2 satellite receiving stations. The project strengthens Cuba's...

1. Describe the approach

- Who is involved: the participating Parties, and whether they are hosting or providing support
- What it does: the activities being delivered and what they aim to achieve
- Why it matters: the link to the NDCs of the host Parties
- Whether you are seeking further support to implement it

2. Show it meets each of the criteria

- At least two Parties involved; no mitigation outcomes transferred, no quid pro quo
- Supports host Parties' NDC implementation through finance, technology development and transfer, or capacity-building
- Contributes to sustainable development and poverty eradication
- Respects human rights and gender equality, and does no harm

Recording non-market approaches on the NMA Platform

01

Draft

Anyone involved can fill in the offline form from the NMA Platform's information hub – implementing partners, a supporting Party, an IGO, a private sector delivery partner



02

Review

Share the draft with the Article 6.8 national focal point and other stakeholders for review and agreement



03

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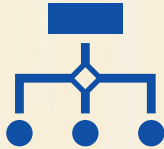
If agreed, the Article 6.8 national focal point submits it via the NMA Platform – the single official channel

Only the Article 6.8 national focal point can submit

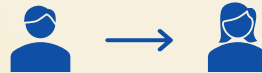
Not a ministry directly, not an implementing partner, not an NGO. This keeps the Party in control of what is recorded in its name

Possible institutional arrangements for Article 6.8

EXAMPLES



Full governance structure with decision-making bodies, criteria and timeframes for selecting non-market approaches



Article 6.8 national focal point identifies an existing non-market approach and either submits it directly to the NMA Platform or obtains internal sign-off before submitting



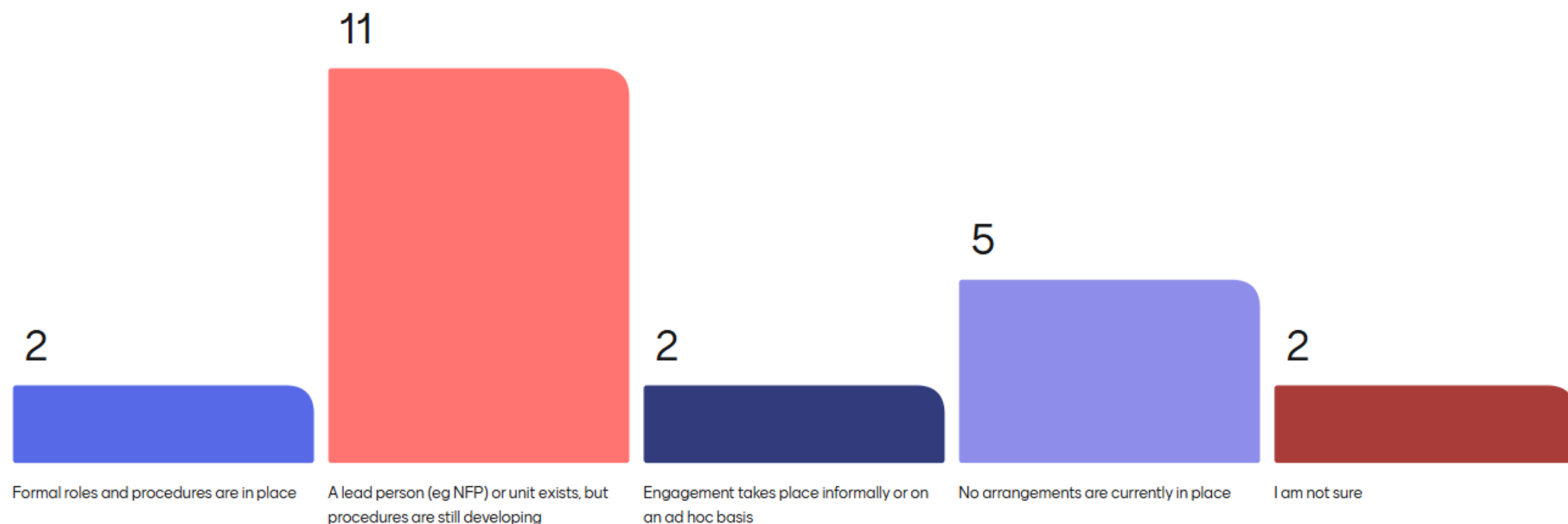
Article 6.8 national focal point designated by Party, but no formal internal approval process in place – arrangements handled case by case as opportunities arise



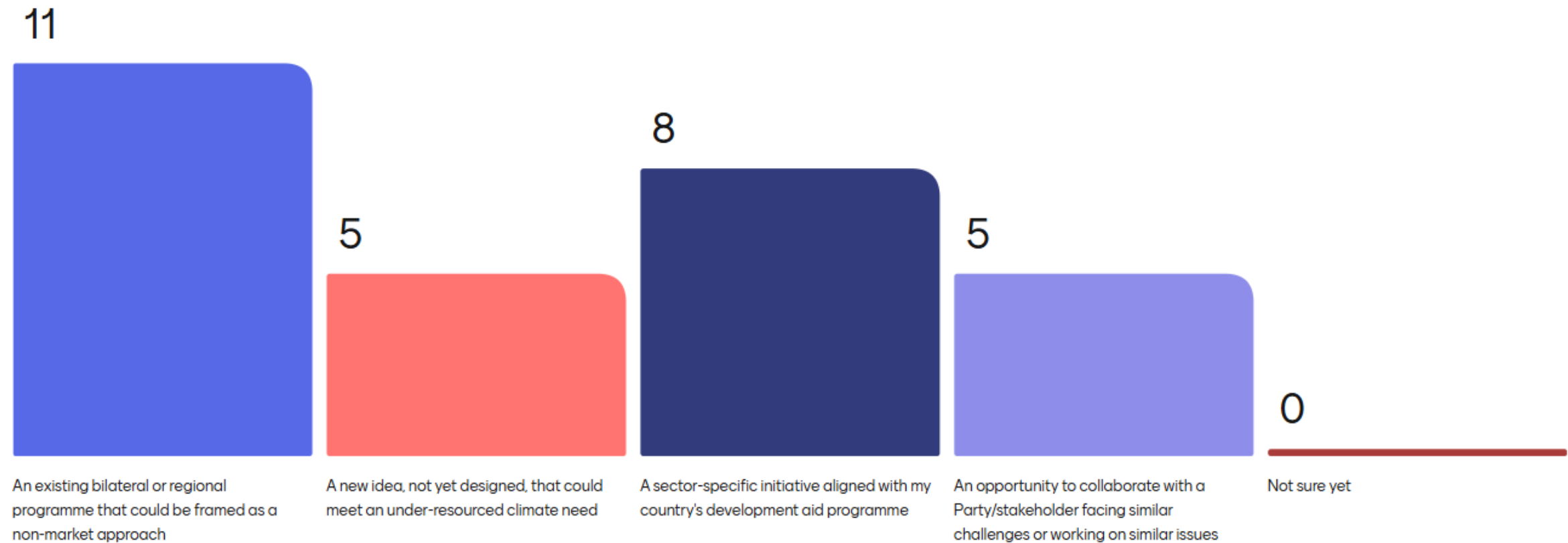
Build on what exists

Consider NDC, Article 6, development aid or other structures already in place rather than starting from scratch

Which best describes how your government or organization currently engages on Article 6.8?



Moving forward, where do you see the strongest potential for a non-market approach in your context?



One concrete next step you can take after today

If you are a Party

- 1 Confirm who is designated as your Article 6.8 national focal point
- 2 Review one existing cooperation initiative against the criteria
- 3 Agree internally who drafts a submission and who signs it off
- 4 Record an approach on the NMA Platform and flag the support you need

If you are a non-Party stakeholder

- 1 Identify the Article 6.8 national focal point in the country where you work
- 2 Offer to draft a submission for an initiative you already deliver
- 3 Be explicit about the finance, technology or capacity-building you can offer
- 4 Use the NMA Platform to find Parties and approaches to build on

Next steps and discussion

- 1 How could cooperation under Article 6.8 help advance a climate or development priority in your context?
- 2 Is there an existing initiative or new idea that could be framed as a non-market approach?
- 3 What would help move it forward – or what is holding it back? Consider support, partners and whether the NMA Platform could play a role.

Next steps and discussion



Article 6.8 is cooperation beyond markets: no credits, no offsetting



If it is voluntary, supports NDCs and works through finance, technology or capacity-building, it may be a non-market approach



Engaging on Article 6.8 can bring recognition, partners and a potential pathway to support – for existing initiatives and new ideas alike



The NMA Platform is one tool under the framework: recording makes your approach visible and could help find additional support



Thank you

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Coming up next

Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing (REDiCAP)

Carbon Pricing and Carbon Markets for Cooperative Implementation of NDCs



10 September 2026 | 11:00–13:00



Room A1 | Baku Convention Center



Please grab a coffee or tea and return to the room by **11:05** for REDiCAP.