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# Progress report on the implementation of the work programme on capacity-building for the Article 6.4 mechanism

**Article 6.4 Supervisory Body – 21st meeting**

Bonn, Germany, May 2026



**CMA.3:** Requested the secretariat to design and implement a capacity-building programme, including through its Regional Collaboration Centres, in consultation with the Supervisory Body.

**CMP16:** Authorized funding for developing countries' capacity-building to transition from the CDM.

**CMA.4:** Requested to expedite implementation of the capacity-building programme.

**SBM 14:** Requested the secretariat to start implementing the programme, support the CDM transition, and report on progress twice a year.

**SBM 18:** Invited the secretariat to track impact by stakeholder group and report against KPIs across knowledge products, trainings, and direct country support. Underlined the importance of continued support to Parties and DNAs to enhance their readiness and understanding of the PACM.

*This is the first update for 2026. Previous update presented at SBM 18 (October 2025.)*



## Purpose

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Inform the Supervisory Body on progress in implementing the Article 6.4 capacity-building programme, in line with its mandate to provide regular updates.

### **Scope**

Strategic approach guiding the secretariat's Article 6 capacity-building programme

Key activities delivered across three pillars:

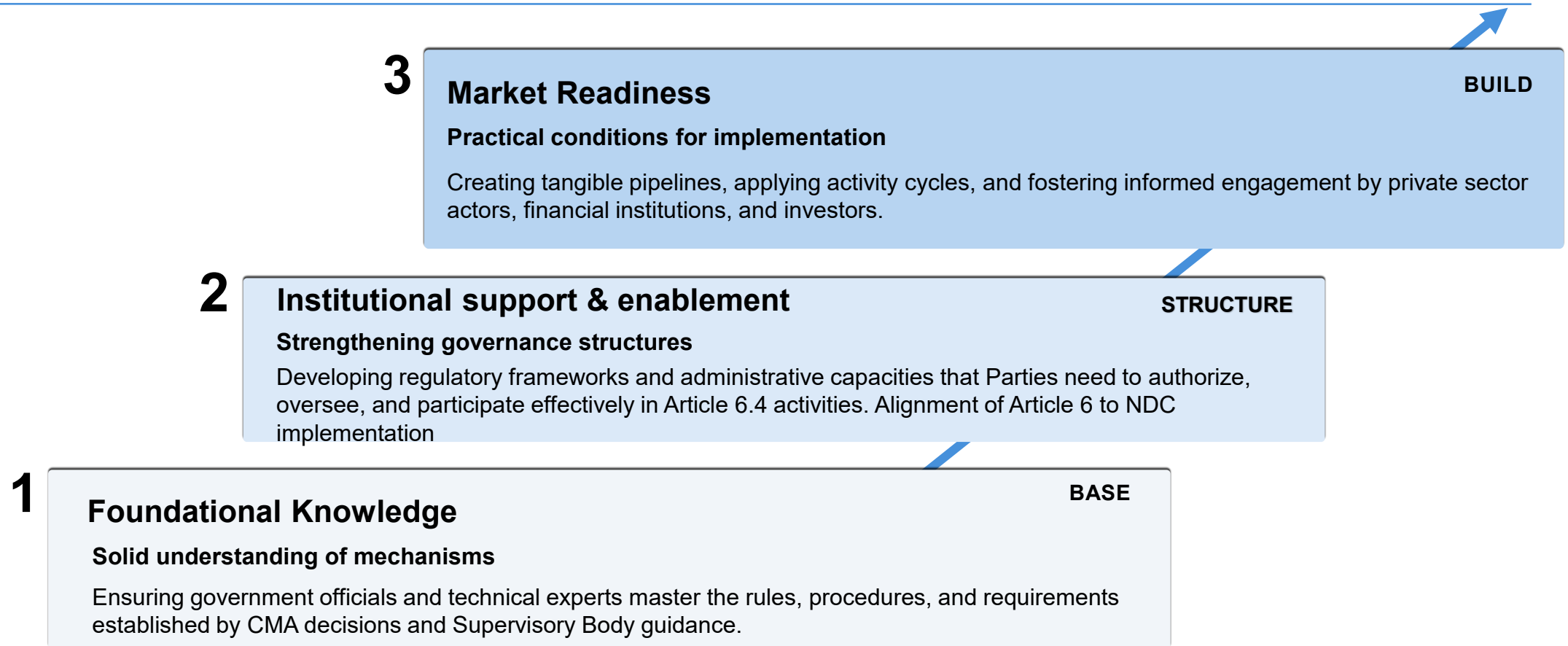
- **Knowledge products** – Online explainers, e-learning modules
- **Trainings** – Workshops, webinars, strategic dialogues, and online training programmes
- **Direct country support** – targeted technical assistance directly and through the RCCs

### **Focus**

Strengthening the readiness of Parties and Designated National Authorities (DNAs) to engage in the Article 6.4 mechanism.



# Article 6 capacity building programme: Strategic approach



## A NEED FOR TAILORED SUPPORT

Parties start at different points along this continuum. A **one-size-fits-all approach is inadequate**; capacity-building must be tailored, sequenced, and responsive to each Party's specific context and stage of readiness.



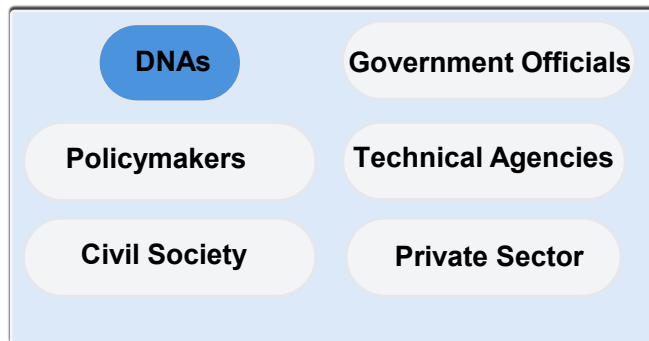
# Article 6 capacity building programme: Strategic approach

## STRATEGIC TRACK 1

## Knowledge Foundation and Strategic Awareness

Establish clear, accurate, and authoritative understanding of Article 6 mechanisms—their rules, benefits, and role within the Paris Agreement architecture—among all stakeholder groups.

### MAIN STAKEHOLDERS



### KEY ACTIVITIES

#### Knowledge Products

Develop explainers, guidance documents, and FAQs.

#### E-Learning

Virtual training programmes for at scale and asynchronous learning.

#### Information and Exchange Sessions

Events at UNFCCC forums and regional events.

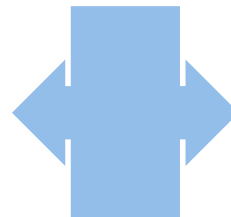
#### Centralized Knowledge Hub

Develop Article 6 Capacity-Building portal as a central resource hub.

### SECRETARIAT'S ROLE

#### Catalyzer

Translating complex decisions and guidance into accessible content.



#### Custodian

Ensuring accuracy and alignment with official guidance.



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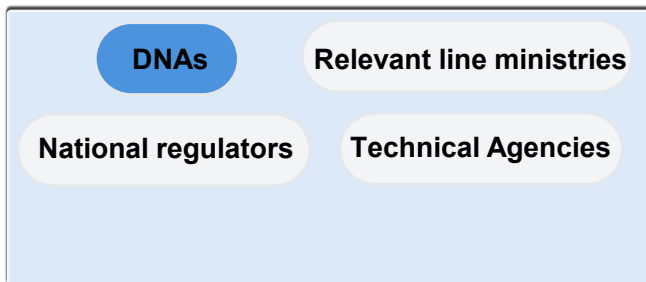
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## STRATEGIC TRACK 2

## Institutional Readiness

Ensure Parties have institutional, regulatory, and governance capacities to participate effectively in Article 6 activities, creating a robust foundation for market engagement.

### MAIN STAKEHOLDERS



### KEY ACTIVITIES

#### Technical Assistance

Support for DNAs on matters related to authorization, approval and other emergent technical needs.

#### Advisory Support

Developing national Article 6 frameworks and processes as required.

#### Country Support

Demand-led Targeted programs addressing specific institutional gaps.

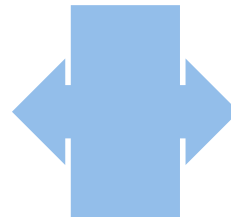
#### Peer learning

Connecting Parties at different stages of development.

### SECRETARIAT'S ROLE

#### Convener

Connecting Parties with relevant expertise and peer networks.



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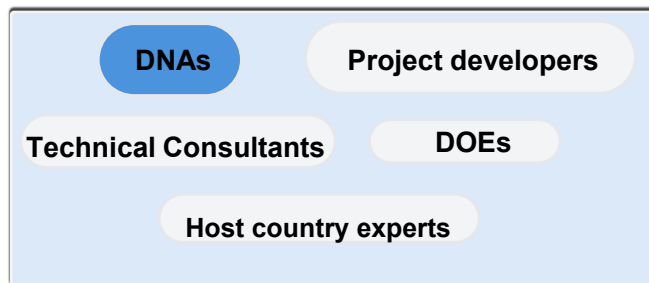
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## STRATEGIC TRACK 3

## Supply Activation

In coordination with the DNAs, enable project developers and technical actors to translate institutional readiness into implementable Article 6 activities.

### MAIN STAKEHOLDERS



### KEY ACTIVITIES

#### Guidance on activity cycle

Training on activity cycle from concept to issuance.

#### PDD Clinics

Developing national Article 6 frameworks and processes as required.

#### Sectoral and methodological guidance

Assistance as needed on specific sectoral issues and methodological application assistance.

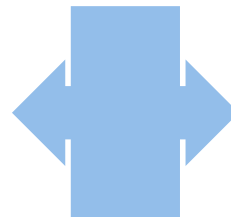
#### Procedural Assistance

As needed, provide support to the stakeholders on different procedural aspects.

### SECRETARIAT'S ROLE

#### Catalyzer

Providing practical tools, templates, guidance and relevant resources.



#### Convener

Facilitating connections between developers and technical experts for robust activity development



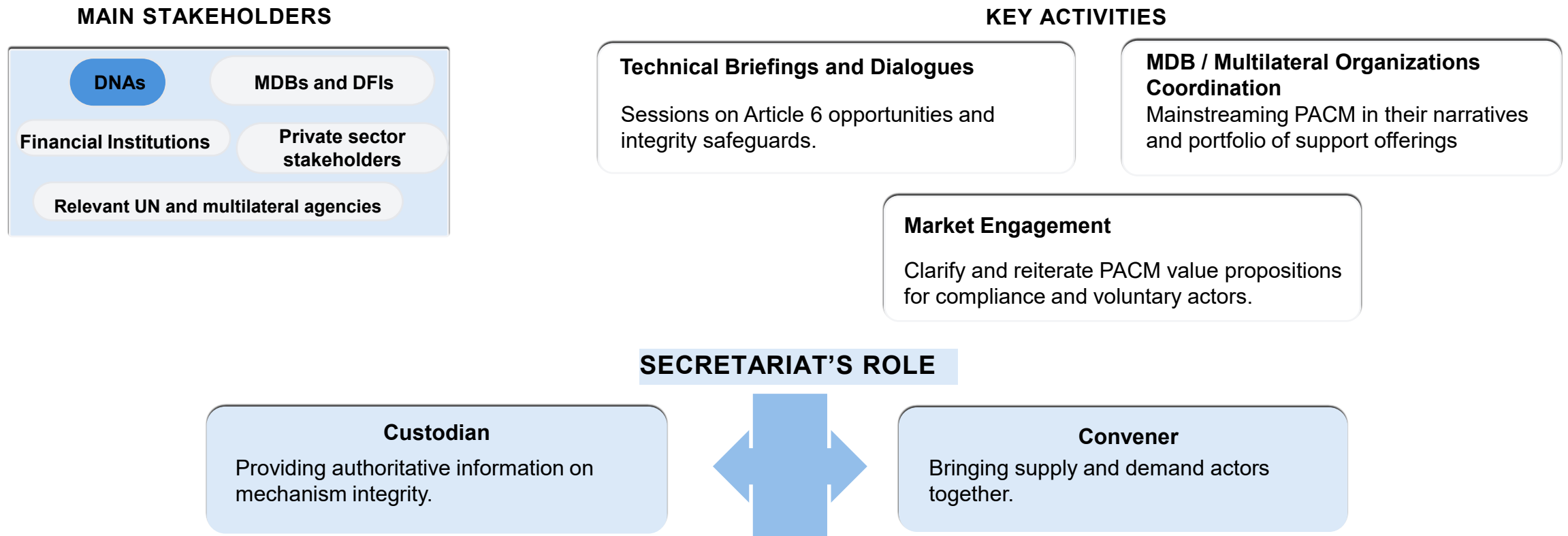
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## STRATEGIC TRACK 3

## Enabling the demand

Foster informed engagement by financial institutions, investors, and potential buyers to support robust demand for high-integrity emission reductions.



# Key Performance Indicators

## Results-Based Management

Progress is monitored through indicators that track meaningful outcomes—not merely activity levels. This reporting aligns with the annual information note to the CMA, semi-annual updates to the SBM, and the Article 6.4 mechanism business plan reporting cycle.

### TRACK 1 Knowledge Foundation

#### OUTPUT INDICATORS

##### Knowledge Products

Count and catalogue of explainers, guidance documents, and FAQs developed.

##### Access Statistics

Download and portal access metrics.

#### OUTCOME INDICATORS

##### Stakeholder Understanding

Pre/post-assessment scores; quality of engagement in consultations.

##### Informed Decision-Making

References to A6.4 in national climate strategies, NDCs, or policy statements.

### TRACK 2 Institutional Readiness

#### OUTPUT INDICATORS

##### Technical Assistance

Number of Parties receiving tailored support; type and intensity of engagement.

#### OUTCOME INDICATORS

##### DNAs Operationalized

DNAs with functional operations (published procedures, staff assigned) and frequency of engagement.

##### Frameworks Established

Documented approval procedures, authorization processes, or national guidelines.



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### TRACK 3 Supply side activation

#### OUTPUT INDICATORS

##### Training support provided

Training and implementation support delivered by country and regions.

#### OUTCOME INDICATORS

##### PDD Quality

Improved Project Design Document quality; reducing quantitative and qualitative issues during completeness and substantive check.

##### Project pipeline

Number of activities at each stage of the activity cycle by country/region

### TRACK 3 Enabling the demand side

#### OUTPUT INDICATORS

##### Impactful engagement with MDBs, multilaterals, financial institutions and other private sector stakeholders

Number of activities and engagements with these groups

Mainstreaming PACM in their support portfolios and alignment on its value proposition.

Where possible, number of their financing windows channeled towards PACM

#### OUTCOME INDICATORS

##### Buyer readiness

Number of Expressions of Interest and inclusion in investment decisions

##### Increased transaction activity

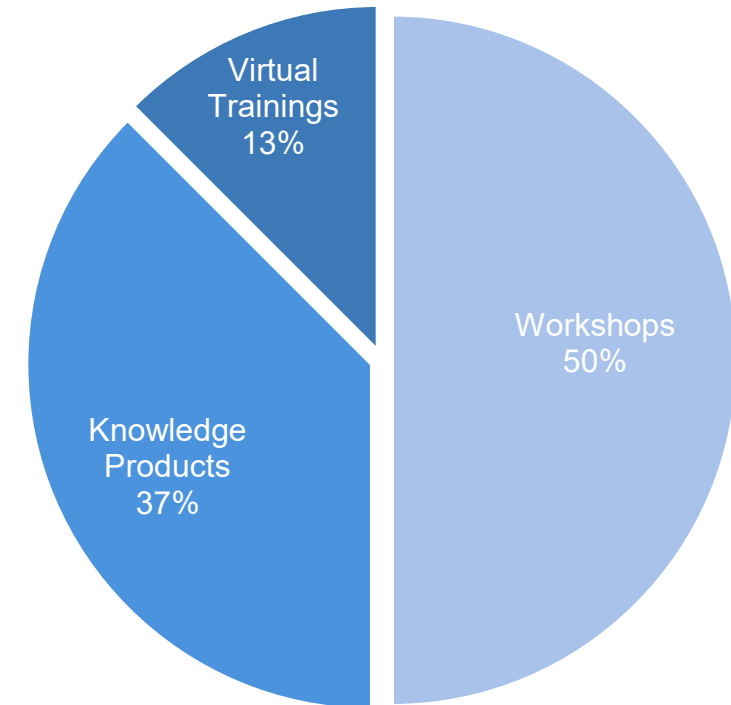
Increase in LOIs and authorizations.



### Capacity building stakeholder outreach in numbers:

- More than **50 countries** engaged through direct country support
- More than **3000 unique users** of the knowledge products
- **1010 stakeholders across 121 countries** engaged in the virtual training programme as part of the Article 6 Academy. This included **more than 800 representatives from DNAs and government agencies.**

### Breakdown of engagements by type






## Self-paced learning modules



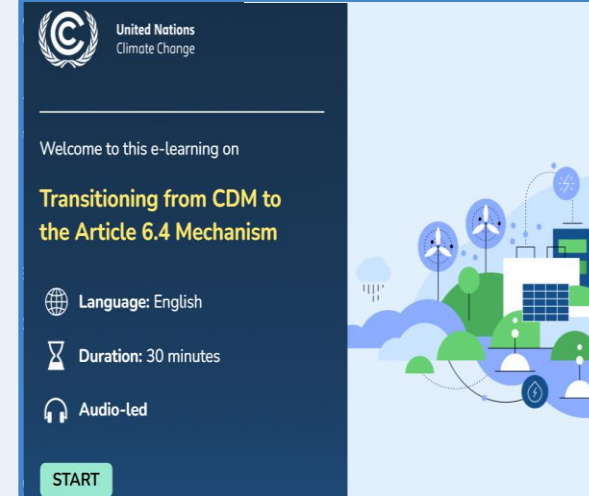
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**Unlocking Art. 6 potential and catalyzing climate action**



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**Unpacking the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism**



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**Transitioning from CDM to PACM**



# Key activities October 2025-May 2026: Knowledge Products

## Explainers



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# Key activities October 2025-May 2026: Article 6 Academy

## Launch of the Article 6 Academy

### Dedicated online learning platform for Article 6.

First product on this was a jointly certified course with the University of Oxford titled:

*“Engaging with high integrity carbon markets under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement”*

More than **4700 applications received**, and the course was offered to a **cohort of 1010 participants** from **121 countries**.



United Nations  
Climate Change



### Engaging with high integrity carbon markets under Article 6



#### Understand Article 6.4 Architecture

Understand the architecture, decision framework, and implementation requirements of the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) under Article 6.4



#### Navigate National Systems

Navigate national authorization systems, institutional structures, and stakeholder engagement requirements



#### Make Strategic Decisions

Make informed strategic decisions on registry selection and standards adoption for Article 6 activities



#### Participate in Carbon Markets

Participate in international carbon markets under Article 6 with appropriate risk management and liability frameworks



#### Integrate with NDC

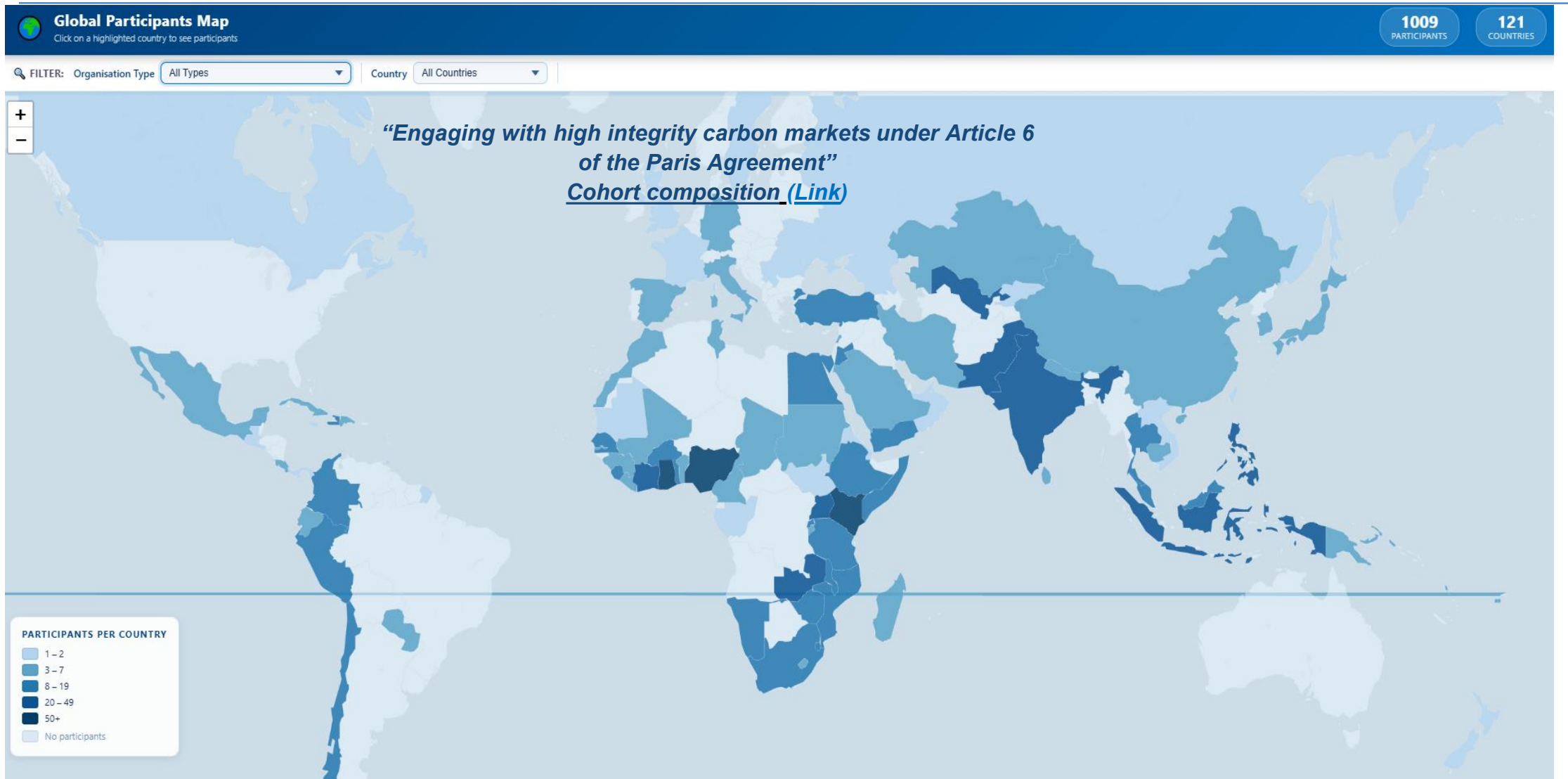
Integrate Article 6 activities with NDC implementation, national development priorities, and climate policy instruments



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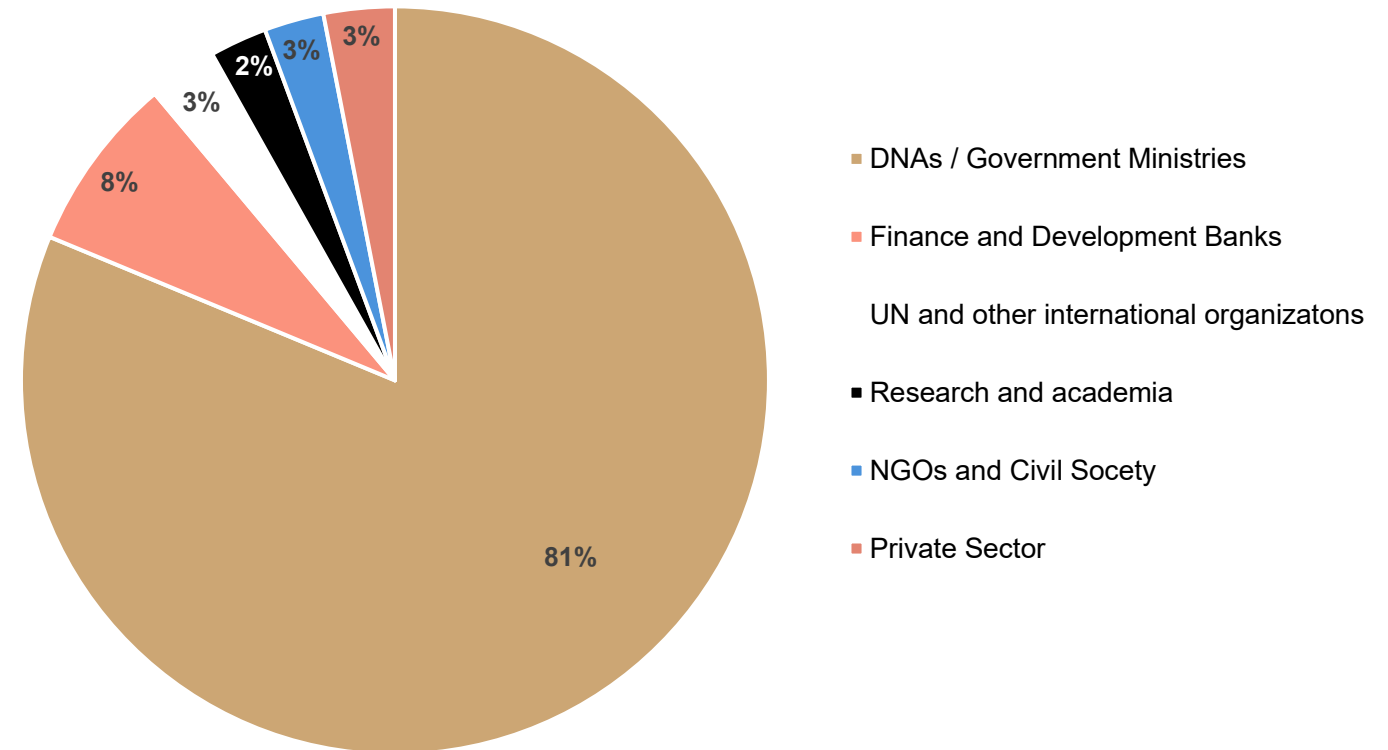
## Engaging with high integrity carbon markets under Article 6



### The course in numbers:

1. **820** DNA and government representatives from **116** countries
2. **77** Finance and MDB/RDB representatives from **33** locations
3. **30** representatives from the **UN and other international organizations** across **23** locations
4. **25** **Research and academia** representatives from **16** countries
5. **26** **NGOs** and civil society representatives from **16** countries
6. **31** **private sector** representatives from **16** countries.

## Participants according to stakeholder group



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## Partnership and Engagement

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Secretariat collaborates with key partners such as the Global Green Growth Institute, World Bank, GIZ, regional carbon alliances, IRENA, UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre, amongst others to promote the use and implementation of the Article 6.4 mechanism.

One main development has been the launch of the Article 6 pipeline in collaboration with the UNEP-Copenhagen Climate Centre.



Provides knowledge and transparency for Article 6 cooperation worldwide.



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# Key training activities undertaken in the period October 2025-May 2026

## Oct – Nov 2025

### CDM transition to Article 6.4 mechanism virtual clinics

3 sessions · Parties and DNAs

Online

## Dec 2025

### Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing (REDiCAP) and Article 6.4

Muscat, Oman · DNAs, Parties

In person

## Feb 2026

### Article 6 Calibration Workshop

UNFCCC Secretariat and RCCs · Bonn

In person

## Mar 2026

### Article 6 Academy – Jointly certified e-learning course with University of Oxford

1,010 participants from 121 countries · DNAs, govt. officials

Online

### Self-paced learning modules on Article 6 and CDM Transition to PACM

Open access · DNAs, Parties, PPs

Self-paced

### Masterclass on the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)

India · DNAs, PPs

In person

## Apr 2026

### Global Article 6.4 DNA Forum

DNAs

In person

### Regional Dialogue on Article 6.4 & Carbon Pricing for NE and SE Asia

DNAs, Parties

In person

### PACM Global Value Proposition and CDM Transition

DNAs, Project developers and other stakeholders

In person

### Article 6.4 Strategic Market Dialogue

DNAs, MDBs, Multilateral organizations, Private Sector and other stakeholders

In person



## Impacts registered

**13**

**Trainings**

incl. 6 in-person workshops

**8**

**Knowledge products**

Explainers & e-learning modules

**52**

**Countries supported**

Direct technical assistance

**10**

DNAs appointed

**17**

HPPR forms submitted

**85**

CDM activities approved for transition

**120+**

**DNA representatives**

trained across all regions

**40+**

**Project participants**

& 10 intl. organisations trained

**Regions covered:**

Asia

Caribbean

Africa

Latin America

East Europe, CIS and Central Asia



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## Thematic areas



- Article 6.4 mechanism activity cycle implementation
- Institutional arrangements and governance
- A6.4 Methodological, rules and regulation guidance
- Article 6.4 registry



## Delivery Formats

- Article 6 Academy, incl. online courses, and e-modules
- Explainers and video series
- Interactive sessions and clinics
- Reports and analytical briefs, hands-on guides, micro-learning, etc.



## Country Support and Engagement

- Regionally tailored workshops (e.g., Africa, LAC)
- Targeted support to DNAs
- Technical support to implementation (based on activity types)
- Follow-up support and clinics
- Demand-driven, responsive engagement



Capacity building delivery is being scaled to effectively meet Parties' needs



## Recommendations to the Supervisory Body

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The secretariat recommends that the Supervisory Body take note of the update.

