



**HOST PARTY PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS  
FOR ARTICLE 6.4 MECHANISM  
(Version 02.0)**

**SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**SECTION 2: PARTICIPATION RESPONSIBILITIES**

<b>Is your country a Party to the Paris Agreement?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Has your country prepared, communicated, and is it maintaining a Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2 of the Paris Agreement?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Has your country designated a Designated National Authority (DNA) for the Article 6.4 mechanism and communicated that designation to the UNFCCC secretariat?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Please describe how your country's participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism contributes to sustainable development, while acknowledging that the consideration of sustainable development is a national prerogative.**

Guided by Zambia's Green Economy and Climate Change Act (2024), the statutory instrument "Carbon Market Regulation" and related "Carbon Market Guidelines for Zambia" (CMF) define 16 indicators and the related means of verification. Proposed mitigation activities shall meet these indicators, if requesting the government for a corresponding adjustment. These indicators are applicable to A6.2-, A6.4- but equally to projects carried out under international VCM standards, which request a corresponding adjustment.

The indicators need to be reflected in the proposed mitigation activities' Mitigation Activity Design Document (MADD) and DOEs are required to validate compliance. The results need to be confirmed in the DOE's validation report. When checking completeness, Zambia's A6 Secretariat, assesses whether the related information is included in the DOE's report, before submitting project documentation to the DNA for approval/rejection.

The indicators N°10-15 reflect on proposed mitigation activities' contribution to the sustainable development of Zambia considering Zambia's approach for achieving the SDG goals, aligned with national priorities and plans. Complementary, indicator N°16 reflects on transformational change.

**Please provide detailed information on the types of activities under Article 6, paragraph 4 (A6.4 activities) that your country would consider approving pursuant to chapter V.C (Approval and Authorization) of the Rules, Modalities and Procedures (RMPs).**

**Additionally, explain how these activities, and any associated emission reductions or removals, would contribute to the achievement of your country's NDC, if applicable, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy, if it has submitted one, and the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement?**

Indicator N°1 excludes certain technology types aligned with international best practice. Ineligible project types include N2O-, HFC-abatement, large scale hydro and technologies which lock in fossil fuel consumption after 2050.

Complementary thereto -Zambia's NDC is only partially costed. While for some sectors detailed data is available, for other sectors costs and benefits of mitigation activities are not well understood. As a consequence, the country does not have an economy wide marginal abatement function and cannot clearly define, which activities should contribute to the unconditional target, which may be authorized for trade.

However, Indicator N°4 requires the project proponent to report the carbon price required to achieve financial viability. This informs the DNA and may allow for avoiding to authorize 'low hanging fruits' which may be needed for meeting the countries unconditional target.

**Please provide any additional information that the host Party may deem necessary (optional)<sup>1</sup>:**

<sup>1</sup> The host Party may optionally provide additional information on: i) Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for Article 6.4 activities as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 27; ii). Crediting periods to be applied for Article 6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex 3, paragraph 27(b); iii) First transfer in case it intends to authorize A6.4ERs for other international mitigation purposes as per decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b); iv) statement on exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS of all projects or PoAs and CPs.

**Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, in addition and subject to and consistent with the RMPs, under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and subject to further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those approaches and requirements are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy:**

The Government of Zambia, through its DNA, defined Indicators N°1-10 to assure environmental integrity in a national context. This includes requirements to:

- Assess additionality using the investment analysis of Tool 1. A justification centred around common practice and/or barriers is considered to be insufficient (Indicator N°2, “Additionality demonstrated through investment analysis and regulatory surplus”).
- Reflect the unconditional NDC target in baseline setting, if applicable (Indicator N°3, “Activity baselines in compliance with NDC target”).

**Crediting periods to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed, subject to the RMPs and under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and in accordance with further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those crediting periods are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy:**

The Climate Change Act and the statutory instrument per se do not define the length of crediting periods nor its renewal. The draft LoA does not feature an expiry date, however the LoA is complemented by a form called “Certificate to Trade in Carbon”. This certificate will be issued at the time of LoA issuance and is valid for a period of five years and may be renewed thereafter. The renewal may only not be granted, if the mitigation activity would have violated requirements or deviated from the approved design.

**Definition of first transfer pursuant to decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b)<sup>2</sup> as:**

- The authorization
- The issuance
- The use or cancellation of the A6.4ERs

**Exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS<sup>3</sup>**

Is the host Party an LDC or SIDS:

Yes  No

The host Party chooses not to exempt all projects or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation<sup>4</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Decision 2/CMA.3, annex, as contained in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/10/Add.1. Available at: [https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021\\_10a01E.pdf](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021_10a01E.pdf).

<sup>3</sup> This provision is only applicable to LDCs and SIDS and is to be checked if the LDC/SIDS hosting the projects or PoAs and CPs therein, chooses not to exempt all project activities or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation or may be indicated for each project or PoA and CPs at the time of approval of the project or PoA.

<sup>4</sup> Please see footnote 3.

**Any additional information:**  
CMF is available [here](#).

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