



Capacity Building Proposal from RCC LatAm

Proposal Summary

Title	Capacity Building for effective implementation of Article 6.8 Non-Market Approaches (NMAs)
Main Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raise awareness of Article 6.8 Non-Market Approaches (NMAs)• Enhance understanding of opportunities for Latin America countries under Non-Market Approaches.• Promote understanding of NMAs and how they can be used in the context of NDC implementation
Venue	Webinar
Origin	LAC-6 Project, UNEP Latin America and the Caribbean Office
Proposed Date	August 12th, 2025
Time	09:00 hrs (Panama time) / 16:00 hrs CET
Duration	90 minutes
Target Audience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Article 6.8 NFP from LAC-6 Project• Country Leaders from LAC-6 Project• UNEP Officials and Experts from the Climate Change Division.



Detailed Concept Note

Capacity Building for Effective Implementation of Article 6.8 Non-Market Approaches in Latin America

1. Background

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement established three mechanisms through which Parties can collaborate and work together to achieve their respective goals, set in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). The mechanisms created by paragraphs 2 and 4 of Article 6 are market-based mechanisms, meaning that they involve the transaction of mitigation outcomes. The mechanism created by paragraph 8 established non-market approaches (NMAs), meaning that they do not involve the transaction of mitigation outcomes.

During COP26, COP27, COP28 and COP29, four decisions were adopted regarding Article 6.8, which has shaped NMAs as they are known today. In the table below are the four decisions:

DECISION / LINK	TITLE
4/CMA.3	Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement.
8/CMA.4	Matters relating to the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement.
17/CMA.5	Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3.
7/CMA.6	Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3 (Advance version).

According to decision 4/CMA.3, NMAs are conducted between two or more Parties of the Paris Agreement engaging voluntarily. They may also include participating non-Party stakeholders, such as private and public sector stakeholders, and civil society organizations. These approaches do not entail the transfer of mitigation outcomes and seek to facilitate the implementation of the NDCs of host Parties. NMAs under the adopted framework represent:

- Voluntary cooperative actions that are not reliant on market-based approaches and that do not include transactions or quid pro quo operations.
- Integrated, innovative and transformational actions that have significant potential to deliver higher mitigation and adaptation ambition.
- Actions that support the implementation of NDCs of Parties hosting NMAs and contribute to achieving the long-term temperature goal of the Paris Agreement.

The decision also states that the objective of these NMAs is to promote ambition regarding mitigation and adaptation, increase the participation of the public and private sectors and civil society, and provide opportunities for coordination among relevant instruments and institutional arrangements.



2. Main Objectives

1. Provide an in-depth introduction to the non-market approaches outlined in Article 6.8 of the Paris Agreement.
2. Guide participants on how to designate National Focal Points for Article 6.8 and how to access the NMA platform, encouraging greater regional participation.
3. Highlight best practices and regional case studies on non-market cooperation.
4. Enable countries to explore opportunities for cooperation and coordination across sectors and instruments, enhancing NDC implementation.

3. Participant Profile

The workshop envisages the participation of:

- Article 6.8 National Focal Points from participating countries in the LAC-6 Project.
- UNFCCC National Focal Points from participating countries in the LAC-6 Project
- UNEP Officials and Experts from the Climate Change Division of UNEP.

4. Preliminary Agenda

Time	Topic
5 Min	Welcome Remarks by Sebastian Carranza, UNEP Opening words to set the context and highlight the relevance of Article 6 in the regional and global climate agenda.
8 Min	Introductions & Ice breaker, UNFCCC RCC LatAm <i>Brief interactive activity to foster engagement and reflect on familiarity with non-market approaches.</i>
25 Min (10 Min UNFCCC Secretariat, 10 Min AILAC/Recycle Organics, 5 Min Q&A)	Session 1: Understanding Article 6.8 and defining NMAs, with a focus on the Latin America region, UNFCCC Secretariat and Chile <i>This session will provide an overview of Article 6.8 of the Paris Agreement, including key decisions, the mandated work programme, and a definition of NMAs and their guiding principles. Regional case studies will be presented to illustrate how NMAs are applied in practice.</i> Q&A
10 Min	Session 2: Overview of the NMA Platform and Roles & Responsibilities of National Focal Points, UNFCCC Secretariat <i>This session will present the objectives of the Article 6.8 work programme and the functions of the NMA web-based platform to facilitate coordination and implementation. It will outline the role of National Focal Points in engaging relevant national actors and communicating with the UNFCCC, and highlight the contributions of Parties, non-Party stakeholders, and support providers in delivering financial, technological, and capacity-building support aligned with national priorities.</i> Q&A
10 Min	Session 3: Step-by-step guide to recording non-market approaches, UNFCCC Secretariat <i>A practical walkthrough of how Parties can record NMAs on the NMA Platform. This includes guidance on the type of information needed, categories of NMAs, and how stakeholders can contribute to the design and implementation process before formal submission.</i>



	Q&A.
30 Min	Session 4: Breakout groups and Discussion, UNFCCC RCC LatAm “Exploring Opportunities under Article 6.8 in Latin America” <i>Participants will break into small groups according to language barriers to identify and discuss existing or potential NMAs in their countries. Each group will explore enabling conditions, stakeholder roles, inter-institutional coordination, and potential alignment with national strategies such as NDCs and LT-LEDS. Results will be shared in plenary. (NO SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION IN THIS SESSION)</i>
02 Min	Closing Remarks, UNEP <i>Summary of key insights, reaffirming the potential of NMAs to advance climate action beyond carbon markets, and encouraging continued collaboration across sectors and countries.</i>