

Concept Note

Webinar series on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

Introduction

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement establishes three approaches for Parties to voluntarily cooperate in achieving their emission reduction targets and adaptation aims set out in their national climate action plans under the Paris Agreement (Nationally Determined Contributions, or NDCs). The advancement of Article 6 implementation will require a common and collective understanding of the rules adopted at COP26 in Glasgow and COP27 in Sharm El-Sheik, the conversations happened in SBSTA 58 in Bonn and the outcomes of the recent meetings of the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body.

To this end, the UN Climate Change through its Regional Collaboration Centers (RCCs) are organizing webinar series to provide Parties with an opportunity to discuss and share views on the various elements of Article 6. The webinars are propaedeutic to the Article 6 in-person trainings that UN Climate Change will organize at the margin of the Regional Climate Weeks 2023.

Objectives

The objective of the webinars is to increase key stakeholders' understanding and readiness for participation in Article 6. The webinars will focus on participation requirements for Articles 6.2 cooperative approaches and Article 6.4 mechanism.

The specific objectives of the of webinars are to:

- Enhance overall understanding of the provisions of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, including participation requirements.
- Provide an overview of the different ways in which countries can cooperate under Article 6.2 to achieve their NDC;
- Provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the Art.6.4 Designated National Authority (DNA);
- Offer learning on CDM Transition to Article 6.4 mechanism;
- Share information on existing Article 6 programs and initiatives;
- Provide participants with a platform to share their experiences and lessons learned.

Webinar I - Overview of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and various obligations for host parties in relation to full filling participation requirements, reporting and tracking.

Webinar II – Overview of Article 6.4 of the Paris Agreement: The Mechanism – Development so far and work ahead.

Webinar III - CDM Transition to Article 6.4 mechanism – procedures and key milestones.

Webinar I | Overview of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and various obligations for host parties in relation to fulfilling participation requirements, reporting, and tracking

Tuesday 22 August 2023 | 07:00 AM (CEST) and 16:00:00 PM (CEST)

This will be the first webinar on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It offers learning on the foundations of Article 6.2, why it is important to achieve countries' climate goals and participation requirements.

Time	Description
5 minutes	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scene setting
10 minutes	Article 6 of the Paris Agreement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Article 6? And why does it matter? • Article 6 Structure • Article 6 and NDC. Advancing countries' climate goals. • Art.6.2 vs Art.6.4 (timelines of operationalization, considerations, and internal arrangements for both or where are the differences) • How to involve private sector and develop project ideas • Q&A
20 minutes	Article 6.2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Concepts (ITMOs, Corresponding Adjustment) • Participation Requirements (high-level).
20 minutes	Panel Discussion over Article 6.2 Implementation (Host Country):
5 minutes	Wrap-up and closing

**Webinar II | Overview of Article 6.4 of the Paris Agreement:
The Mechanism – Development so far and work ahead**

Thursday 24 August 2023 | 07:00 AM (CEST)* and 16:00:00 PM (CEST)**

This will be the second webinar on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It will focus on the foundations of Article 6.4.

Time	Description
5 minutes	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scene setting
10 minutes	Introduction to Article 6.4. The Mechanism: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key concepts• Governance of the A6.4 Mechanism (Supervisory Body, DNAs and RoEs)
20 Minutes	Article 6.4: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participation requirements• Article 6.4 Activity Cycle• Approval and Authorization on /A6.4ERs• Regular Reporting (Annex to BTR)
20 minutes	Establishing a DNA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Arrangements and Domestic Considerations
5 minutes	Wrap-up and closing

**Webinar III: CDM Transition to Article 6.4 mechanism:
Procedures and key milestones**

Tuesday 29 August 2023 | 07:00 AM (CEST) and 16:00:00 PM (CEST)

This will be the third webinar on Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It will focus on fundamentals for CDM transition to the Article 6.4 mechanism.

Time	Description
5 minutes	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scene setting
10 minutes	Relationship between Article 6.4 & CDM. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonalities• Key differences
25 minutes	CDM Transition Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The rules• Timeline• Host countries' considerations
15 minutes	Transition of eligible CERs towards first or first updated NDC
5 minutes	Wrap-up and closing