



## **Workshop to validate the findings of a study on the feasibility of carbon pricing and launch work on the design of a possible carbon pricing instrument suitable to the Cameroon context**

### **Draft concept note**

Date: 07-09 July 2025

Place: Conference Hall of the Environmental Information and Documentation Center (CIDE) Yaoundé, Cameroon

### **1- BACKGROUND & CONTEXT**

[Carbon pricing](#) is an economic-based approach to reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through the imposition of a price on carbon, thereby encouraging investment in more climate-friendly solutions. It is a cost-effective instrument to limit GHG emissions and to ensure low emissions development. Carbon pricing can contribute to both the achievement of [Nationally Determined Contributions \(NDCs\)](#) and Long-Term Low Emission Development Strategies (LT-LEDS). To date, an increasing number of governments around the world are considering implementing carbon pricing policies in their efforts to reduce GHG emissions. The number of [instruments](#) in operation worldwide is now 75, a net gain of two since April 2023. There are now slightly more carbon taxes in operation than [ETSs](#) (39 taxes versus 36 ETSs). In recent years, an increasing number of developing countries have launched initiatives to analyze and introduce carbon pricing, particularly in Africa (e.g. Côte d'Ivoire, Senegal, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Malawi, Ghana and South Africa).

In his opening remarks at [COP25](#), UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres stressed the need for "political will to tax carbon", "political will to end fossil fuel subsidies" and, in general, "political will to move from income taxation to carbon taxation – taxing pollution rather than people". In a recent speech he gave on 2 December 2020, he stressed, following many climate organizations, that the cost of carbon pollution should be factored into the price of fossil fuels, as this is a measure that would bring certainty and confidence to the private and financial sectors.

Cameroon has demonstrated an intent to explore carbon pricing instruments and the potential they pose to limiting emissions growth and revenue mobilization for climate action. An example includes incorporating carbon pricing objectives in its [NDC](#) (2021) and [National REDD+ Strategy](#) (2018). Also, a circular by the President on 30 August 2023 indicated the country's considerations for the introduction of a carbon tax in the fiscal year 2024.

In this pursuit, the country requested and received support from the UN Climate Change Regional Collaboration Centre for West and Central Africa ([UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa](#)) to conduct a feasibility study for Cameroon under the [CiACA Initiative](#). The study identified Carbon Pricing instruments as viable options for managing GHG emissions in Cameroon. However, it recommended prioritizing a possible carbon pricing tool in the short-term corresponding to Cameroon's profile considering its simplicity and immediate applicability, particularly in sectors with significant emissions such as energy sector (fossil fuel or gas flaring and oil and gas refinery) and industrial sector (industrial production of cement and aluminum).

Carbon Pricing Instrument has the potential to incentivize cleaner energy use and foster technological advancements, making it a pivotal tool for achieving emission reductions. The

proposed tool will not be a revenue-generation measure, but an emission reduction strategy designed to align with Cameroon's climate targets, and particularly its emission profile while mitigating impacts on stakeholders through thoughtful design and implementation.

This workshop represents a key step in Cameroon's efforts to advance carbon pricing instruments. Building on the findings of the feasibility study report, this workshop will serve as a platform to validate its insights and ensure stakeholder alignment. Additionally, the workshop will serve as kickstart the collaborative design of a possible carbon pricing instrument tailored to Cameroon, fostering collaboration among representatives from relevant sectors. Through inclusive dialogue and technical discussions, participants will contribute to shaping a framework that is effective, equitable, and responsive to national priorities, paving the way for successful implementation.

## 2- OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

The main objective of the workshop is to present the findings of the "Study on the potential and feasibility of Carbon Pricing Approaches in Cameroon" to a wide range of stakeholders and gather their feedback. It will also serve to provide a platform for stakeholders to collaboratively explore the design and implementation of a pilot carbon pricing instrument in the energy and industrial sectors.

The specific objectives of the workshop include:

- Share the key findings and recommendations of the study, including the analysis of different carbon pricing options and their potential impacts;
- Facilitate a comprehensive discussion among stakeholders on the feasibility, opportunities and challenges associated with implementing carbon pricing in Cameroon;
- Collect valuable insights and feedback from diverse perspectives to refine the study's recommendations and inform future policy decisions;
- Provide participants with a detailed understanding of carbon pricing, including its purpose, different approaches (e.g., carbon taxes and emissions trading systems), and initiatives in Africa and globally;
- Strengthen the capacity of key stakeholders and sector players by equipping them with the knowledge necessary to make informed decisions on pilot carbon pricing tool and its implications for emissions reduction and low-carbon development;
- Highlight the potential of carbon pricing (**especially the proposed pilot carbon pricing instrument**) to contribute to achieving NDCs, including unconditional targets, while supporting broader low-carbon development goals;
- Facilitate discussions to ensure the practicality, inclusivity, and effectiveness of a pilot carbon pricing instrument design, reflecting the interests and concerns of diverse stakeholders across the **energy sector** (fossil fuels, gas flaring, oil and gas refining) and **industrial sector** (cement and aluminum production);
- Gather inputs from stakeholders on the feasibility, practicality, and design of the proposed carbon pricing instrument, including MRV requirements, revenue recycling mechanisms, and potential overlaps with existing fiscal policies;
- Discuss potential uses of revenues generated through carbon pricing, emphasizing their role in funding mitigation and adaptation actions under the NDC framework;
- Demonstrate the connections between carbon pricing and key elements of

international climate policy including climate finance; Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV), transparency frameworks, and cooperative action under Article 6.

### 3- EXPECTED RESULTS

The expected results include:

- Stakeholders gained a clear understanding of the findings and recommendations of the study on the potential and feasibility of Carbon Pricing Approaches in Cameroon;
- Development of a shared perspective of the potential benefits and challenges of implementing carbon pricing in the Cameroonian context;
- Validation of the study's findings and recommendations, and launching of the inception workshop;
- Identification of key considerations and recommendations for the design and implementation of carbon pricing policies in Cameroon;
- Strengthen networking and collaboration among stakeholders interested in advancing climate action in Cameroon;
- Stakeholders gained a comprehensive understanding of carbon pricing mechanisms, particularly the proposed carbon pricing instrument tailored to Cameroon's emission profile, and its potential as an emission reduction strategy;
- Clear identification of the opportunities that carbon pricing presents for the energy sector as well as the challenges that need to be addressed for successful implementation;
- Consensus among stakeholders on the objectives and design of the pilot carbon pricing instrument framework, fostering broad support and ownership of the initiative;
- Confirmation of the roles and responsibilities of identified stakeholders, ensuring their alignment with the pilot carbon pricing instrument design and implementation process;
- Clear proposals on how revenues generated from the carbon pricing instrument can be used to support clean energy transitions, climate action, and reduce potential negative impacts on vulnerable stakeholders;
- Stakeholders have the necessary knowledge of MRV systems to ensure transparency and compliance;
- Clear, stakeholder-endorsed roadmap outlining the next steps for the pilot carbon instrument implementation, including timelines, responsibilities, and follow-up actions;
- Establish a platform for continuous engagement and consultation, including existing ones.

### 4- WORKSHOP FORMAT

In-person workshop with the following stakeholders

<b><i>Organizers: Ministry of Environment, Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development (MINEPDED) in partnership with UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa</i></b>
<b><i>UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa Regional Lead Staff from the UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa</i></b>
<b><i>Participants</i></b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Technical Experts in Cameroon’s REDD+ programme</li> <li>▪ Designated National Authorities for Article 6.4 and other relevant officials in associated roles across various ministries/national agencies</li> <li>▪ UNFCCC National Focal Point</li> <li>▪ Technical Experts in Cameroon’s REDD+ programme</li> <li>▪ Participants from key NDC sectors (Energy – Electricity Generation, Energy – Transport, Agriculture, Agriculture – Livestock, Forestry, industrial sector- cement and aluminum production etc.)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Finance</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Economy, Planning and Regional Development</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Environment, Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development (NDC Team)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Mines Industry and Technological Development (NDC Team)</li> <li>▪ Ministry of Water Resources and Energy (NDC Team)</li> <li>▪ National Observatory on Climate Change (NOCC)</li> <li>▪ Academia (e.g. University of Yaoundé, University of Douala)</li> <li>▪ Urban Communities of Douala and Yaoundé</li> <li>▪ Representatives from private sector (GECAM, SNH, KPDC, SONARA, CIMENCAM, ALUCAM)</li> <li>▪ National REDD+ and Climate Change Civil Society Platform and other relevant NGOs</li> <li>▪ National independent experts</li> <li>▪ UNDP, FAO, GIZ, JICA, AFD,</li> </ul>
<b>Duration</b>
03 days
<b>Date</b>
07 - 09 July 2025
<b>Place</b>
Conference Hall of the Environmental Information and Documentation Center (CIDE), Yaoundé, Cameroon

## 5- **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

Day 1		
Time	Thematic	Responsible
08:30 - 09:00	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00 - 09:30	<b>Opening Remarks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ A word of welcome</li> <li>✓ Round of introduction</li> <li>✓ Message from UNFCCC National Focal Point</li> <li>✓ Message from the Regional Lead UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa</li> <li>✓ Message from the Ministry Representative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walters Tubua, Regional Lead, UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa</li> <li>• Kagonbe Témohée, UNFCCC National Focal Point</li> <li>• MINEPDED representative</li> </ul>
	<b><u>Section 1: Overview of Carbon Pricing and Trends</u></b>	
	<b><u>Sub-session 1.1: Introduction – 45 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ What is carbon pricing? How does it work?</li> <li>✓ Brief overview of the main approaches</li> <li>✓ Benefits and Co-Benefits of Carbon Pricing implementation</li> </ul>	

09:30 – 10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-case studies</li> <li>✓ What are the different types of carbon pricing instruments? Pros and Cons of Different Options</li> <li>✓ Current state of carbon pricing globally and in West Africa</li> <li>✓ What are the opportunities and challenges for implementation</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (Q&amp;A) – 15 minutes</p>	Article6 and Carbon Pricing Specialist, UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa
10:30 – 10:50	<b>Coffee break and Photo Group</b>	<b>All</b>
10:50 – 11:40	<p><b><u>Sub-session 1.2: Cameroonian's Path to NDC Implementation -35 minutes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ NDC Targets</li> <li>✓ Gaps in Cameroonian's NDC Implementation</li> <li>✓ Importance of Pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument</li> <li>✓ Opportunities for Enhanced Climate Action</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (Q&amp;A) – 15 minutes</p>	Article6 and Carbon Pricing Expert, UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa, NDC national Coordinator
11:40-12:40	<p><b><u>Sub-session 1.3: Carbon Pricing Feasibility study findings – 60 minutes (Part 1)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Overview of the study</li> <li>✓ Presentation of key findings</li> <li>✓ Regulatory Landscape and Policy Drivers</li> </ul>	Consultant
12:40-13:40	<b>Lunch break</b>	<b>All</b>
13:40–14:25	<p><b><u>Sub-session 1.3: Carbon Pricing Feasibility study findings (Part 2)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Overview of the study</li> <li>✓ Presentation of key findings</li> <li>✓ Regulatory Landscape and Policy Drivers</li> </ul> <p>Discussion (Q&amp;A) – 45 minutes</p>	Consultant
14:25 – 15:15	<p><b><u>Sub-session 1.4: Breakout group discussions – 50 minutes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Group 1: Fossil Fuel and Gas Flaring (Upstream Energy Sector)</li> <li>✓ Group 2: Oil refining and downstream energy use</li> <li>✓ Group 3: Industrial Sector (Cement and Aluminum Production)</li> <li>✓ Group 4: Cross-cutting Issues – Governance, Policy and social equity</li> </ul>	Experts and Participants
15:15 – 15:30	✓ <b>Coffee break</b>	<b>All</b>
15:30 – 16:00	<p><b><u>Plenary Session: Summary of the Breakout discussion (20 minutes)</u></b></p> <p>Facilitators of the group discussions present key takeaways to the plenary</p>	Experts and Participants

15:30 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Consultant summarizes feedback and proposed refinements</li> <li>✓ Discussion on policy research and collaboration</li> </ul> Identification of the follow-up actions	Consultant
16: 00 -16: 15	<b>Review and Wrap Up of the Day</b>	
<b>Day 2</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Thematic</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
08:30 - 09:00	<b>Registration</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Section 2: Design of the Pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument and its implementation</li> </ul>	
	<b><u>Sub-session 2.1: Strategic Analysis of Cameroon's Energy sectors: - 30 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Overview of Energy sector</li> <li>✓ Stakeholder identification and Mapping report</li> <li>✓ Regulatory Landscape and Policy Drivers</li> </ul>	Article 6 and Carbon Pricing Expert, UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa
09:00 – 10:00	<b><u>Sub-session 2.1: Strategic Analysis of Cameroon's Industrialsector: - 30 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Overview of Energy sector</li> <li>✓ Stakeholder identification and Mapping report</li> <li>✓ Regulatory Landscape and Policy Drivers</li> </ul> Discussion (Q&A) – 30 minutes	Article6 and Carbon Pricing Expert, UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa
10:00 - 10:40	<b><u>Sub-session 2.2: MRV in Energy sector – 25 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Presentation on the current MRV framework in Energysector</li> <li>✓ Proposed MRV Setup</li> <li>✓ Legal Framework</li> </ul> Discussions and Q&A – 15 minutes	Consultant
10:40 – 11:00	<b><u>Coffee break</u></b>	<b>All</b>
11:00 – 11:40	<b><u>Sub-session 2.2: MRV in Industrial sector – 25 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Presentation on the current MRV framework industrialsector</li> <li>✓ Proposed MRV Setup</li> <li>✓ Legal Framework</li> </ul> Discussions and Q&A – 15 minutes	Consultant
11:40 – 12:40	<b><u>Sub-session 2.3: Presentation and Discussion on the Proposed framework for a Carbon Pricing instrument in the Energy sector – 35 minutes</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Presentation on considerations and framework for a Carbon Pricing Instrument in Cameroon's Energy sector.</li> </ul> Discussions and Q&A – 25 minutes	Consultant
12:40 - 13:40	<b>Lunch break</b>	<b>All</b>

13:40 – 14:35	<b><u>Sub-session 2.4: Presentation and Discussion on the Proposed framework for a Carbon Pricing Instrument in the Industrial sector – 30 minutes</u></b> ✓ Presentation on considerations and framework for a Carbon Pricing Instrument in the Industrial Sector Discussions and Q&A – 25 minutes	Consultant
14:35 – 15:00	<b><u>Sub-session 2.5: Breakout Group discussions (1<sup>st</sup> session) – 25minutes</u></b> Stakeholders will be put into groups to discuss Pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument for Energy and Industry sectors to highlight the merits and demerits as well as how to implement it successfully in the different sectors.	Experts and Participants
15:00 – 15:20	<b><u>Coffee break</u></b>	All
15:20 – 15:55	<b><u>Sub-session 2.5: Breakout Group discussions (2<sup>nd</sup> session) – 35minutes</u></b> Stakeholders will be put into groups to discuss Pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument for Energy and Industry sectors to highlight the merits and demerits as well as how to implement it successfully in the different sectors.	Experts and participants
15:55 – 16:15	Review and wrap up of the Day	
<b>Day 3</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Thematic</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
08:30 – 09:00	Registration	
09:00 – 10:00	<b>Plenary Session: Summary of Breakout discussion</b> Facilitators of the group discussions present key takeaways to the plenary.	Experts and Participants
10:00 – 10:30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10:30 – 12:30	<b><u>Sub-session 2.6: Roadmap for the collaborative Pilot carbon Pricing Instrument: Identifying key actions &amp; timeline</u></b> Participants will collaboratively outline the main steps needed to implement the pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument and agree on a realistic timeline for each	Workshop facilitators (UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa & MINEPDED)
12:30 – 13:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>	All
13:30 – 15:00	<b><u>Sub-session 2.7: Roadmap for the collaborative Pilot Carbon Pricing Instrument: Assigning stakeholder responsibilities &amp; next steps</u></b> Participants will define the roles of key stakeholders in the implementation process and determine immediate follow-up actions to move the roadmap forward	Workshop facilitators (RCC WAC Africa & MINEPDED)
15:00 – 15:15	<b>Coffee break</b>	All
	<b>Closing remarks</b> ✓ Message from a representative of the MINEPDED ✓ Message from UNFCCC National Focal Point	• MINEPDED Representative

15:15 – 15:30	<div>✓ Message from the Regional Lead UNFCCC RCC WAC Africa</div> <hr/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Témothée Kagonbe, UNFCCC National Focal Point</li> <li>• Walters Tubua, Regional Lead UNFCCCRCC WAC Africa</li> </ul>
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