



CONCEPT NOTE

Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue

18 June 2025, 15:00 – 18:00, Wien 1/2

19 June 2025, 15:00 – 18:00, AH Lower Conference Room

I. Mandate

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement recognizes that some Parties choose to pursue voluntary cooperation in the implementation of their nationally determined contributions (NDCs) to allow for higher ambition in their mitigation and adaptation actions and to promote sustainable development and environmental integrity.

Under Article 6, paragraph 2 of the Paris Agreement (Article 6.2), Parties shall, where engaging on a voluntary basis in cooperative approaches that involve the use of internationally transferred mitigation outcomes towards nationally determined contributions, promote sustainable development and ensure environmental integrity and transparency, including in governance, and shall apply robust accounting to ensure, inter alia, the avoidance of double counting, consistent with guidance adopted by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement.

As per paragraph 56 of decision 4/CMA.6, the CMA requested the secretariat, as part of the capacity-building programme referred to in decision 2/CMA.3, paragraph 12(b), to organize a dialogue, to be held in conjunction with each session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), among interested participating Parties and observers to exchange information and experience on how cooperative approaches in which they participate support ambition.

II. Context

At COP29 in Baku, building on the guidance from Glasgow and Sharm el-Sheik, Parties finally reached an agreement on the further guidance necessary for the full operationalization of Article 6, marking a transition to its full implementation phase. In parallel, the CMA called on all actors to work together to enable the scaling up of financing to developing country Parties for climate action from all public and private sources to at least USD 1.3 trillion per year by 2035, as part of the new collective quantified goal on climate finance (NCQG).

As Parties shall communicate their next round of NDCs, known as NDCs 3.0, with targets for 2035 this year, the role of Article 6 in supporting ambitious climate action is becoming increasingly recognised. According to the current NDCs, the number of Parties indicating their intention to use of voluntary cooperation under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement has been increasing, with 78 per cent stating that they plan to or will possibly use at least one type of Article 6 cooperation. Notably, Article 6.2 has been the most frequently communicated among the three components of Article 6¹.

In this context, Article 6 cooperation could serve a dual function: facilitating the cost-effective implementation of the Paris Agreement and catalysing large-scale finance to accelerate efforts to curb emissions, thereby supporting alignment with the Paris Agreement's ambition. Given its market-based

¹ NDC Synthesis Report by the secretariat published on 28 October 2024 (<https://unfccc.int/documents/641792>)



nature, Article 6.2 enables participation not only by Parties but also by non-Party stakeholders, including the private sector. This also underscores the importance of ensuring both environmental integrity and market robustness in the design and implementation of the mechanism.

III. Objectives

As the first dialogue to be held in the inaugural year of the full implementation phase of Article 6, the Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue aims to initiate discussions by addressing fundamental questions regarding the role and function of Article 6.2.

To this end, the dialogue seeks to provide a platform for Parties and non-Party stakeholders involved in Article 6 to discuss following:

- How Article 6 has allowed for higher ambition in NDCs or other climate targets;
- Whether these ambitions align with the goals of the Paris Agreement; and
- What challenges exist and what capacity-building support is needed to address them.

IV. Participations

As per paragraph 56 of decision 4/CMA.6, Parties and observers can participate in the Dialogue. Broadcast link will be available on the [digital platform](#) for registered delegates and observers to follow the Dialogue.

To ensure broader participation and in view of space limitations, each Party and observer organization is kindly requested to designate one representative to be seated at the main round table.

V. Moderation

The Dialogue will be led by moderators, invited by the Secretariat to lead the discussions among participants.

VI. Format

To facilitate interactive dialogues among participants, the Dialogue will follow a roundtable format. During the sixty-second session of the SBI (SBI 62), the Dialogue will consist of two parts, each lasting two hours. Each part will be thematically structured in line with the objectives outlined above to capture the experiences and insights of various stakeholders engaged in the implementation of Article 6.2.

Each part will be further divided into three sessions. Under the guidance of moderators, each session will commence with presentations by invited Parties or non-Party Stakeholders sharing their experiences or insights in relation to the guiding questions. The presentations will be followed by an open exchange, during which participants may ask questions and provide feedback.

Part 1	Ambition	Part 2	Cooperation
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambition in NDCs• Ambition on OIMP• Ambition in voluntary climate commitments		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benefit-sharing• Capacity-building support• Multilateral cooperation	

Following the Dialogue, the Article 6.2 Information Session will be held to provide updates on the implementation of Article 6.2 and on the secretariat's mandated tasks.



Agenda

18 June 2025 – Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue : Part 1. Ambition		
Time	Topic	Activity / Format
15:00-15:15 (15 min.)	High-level Opening Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks: Daniele Violetti, Senior Director, UN Climate Change secretariat • Scene-setting presentation: Perumal Arumugam, Manager, UN Climate Change secretariat 	Opening by the Secretariat
	Moderators: Kate Hancock, Australia and Sonam Tashi, Kingdom of Bhutan	
15:15-16:05 (50 min.)	Session 1 – Ambition in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) <u>Guiding questions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does Article 6 contribute to raising ambition, and how has this been reflected in the development of new NDC 3.0 targets? • What role does Article 6 play in implementing NDCs and enhancing ambition in both the short and long term? • What are the main enablers and barriers in developing or implementing Article 6 activities, and what lessons can be drawn from these experiences? 	Presentations by Parties followed by discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Switzerland • Japan • Brazil • European Union • Coalition for Rainforest Nations (CfRN)
16:05-16:25 (20 min.)	Session 2 – Ambition on other international mitigation purposes (OIMP) <u>Guiding questions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the key considerations in setting global targets for the sectors, and what is the current status of their implementation? • How are Parties using Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes (ITMOs) beyond NDC achievements? • What measures are in place to avoid double counting of ITMOs by the sector/Party? • What are the eligibility criteria for credits authorized for use in meeting these targets? 	Presentations by the invited organization and Party followed by discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) • Sweden



<p>16:25-16:55 (30 min.)</p>	<p>Session 3 – Ambition in voluntary climate commitments</p> <p><u>Guiding questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are Parties engaging the private sector in their voluntary climate commitments? What is the background, scope, the role of the government, level of ambition and progress of your Party's engagement? • How can Article 6 contribute to the implementation and achievement of voluntary climate commitments? • What benefits do such commitments offer to private companies, and what challenges have they faced in adopting and implementing them? • How do voluntary climate commitments contribute to the broader mobilization of finance? 	<p>Presentations by Parties followed by discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore • United Kingdom • United Arab Emirates • Kenya
<p>16:55-17:00 (5 min.)</p>	<p>Wrap-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key takeaways from Part 1. Ambition 	<p>Moderators</p>
<p>18 June 2025 – Article 6.2 Information Session Day-1: Reporting, Review and Article 6.2 Infrastructure</p>		
Time	Topic	Activity/Format
<p>17:00-17:15 (15 min.)</p>	<p>Session 1 – Article 6.2 Technical Expert Review (TER)</p> <p>The Secretariat will provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the Article 6.2 TER process; • Key takeaways from the first round of Article 6.2 TER. 	<p>Presentations by the Secretariat</p>
<p>17:15-17:30 (15 min.)</p>	<p>Session 2 – Article 6.2 Reporting</p> <p>The Secretariat will provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the consistency check procedures; • Examples of consistency reports and synthesis reports. 	<p>Presentations by the Secretariat</p>



17:30-17:45 (15 min.)	Session 3 – Article 6.2 Infrastructure The Secretariat will provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update of the work of the Article 6 Registry Systems Administrator (RSA) Forum; • An update on progress on the communication standards supporting interoperability between registries under Article 6. 	Presentations by the Secretariat
17:45-18:00 (15 min.)	Q & A	
19 June 2025 – Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue: Part 2. Cooperation		
Time	Topic	Activity / Format
15:00-15:40 (40 min.)	Session 1 – Benefit-sharing and fairness in cooperative approaches <u>Guiding questions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How is benefit-sharing ensured, and what key considerations were taken into account in the process? • Who are the direct beneficiaries of the benefit-sharing mechanism, and what tangible benefits have they received? • How have the needs and interests of the participating Parties been considered and preserved in the Article 6.2 cooperation? 	Presentations by Parties and invited organizations followed by discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisory Body for the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism • European Union • Zambia • Carbon Market Watch & Grassroots Justice Network
15:40-16:20 (40 min.)	Session 2 – Capacity-building support <u>Guiding questions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the key focus areas of capacity-building support, and what are the main considerations in programme design? • What is the most urgent capacity-building needs related to Article 6.2 implementation? • Are there any examples of collaboration between capacity-building programmes or initiatives? What synergies can be expected from such cooperation? 	Presentations by the Secretariat, invited organizations and Parties followed by discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN Climate Change secretariat • Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) • Article 6 Implementation Partnership (A6IP) • Germany • Chile



16:20-16:50 (30 min.)	Session 3 – Multilateral cooperation <u>Guiding questions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the benefits of multilateral cooperation in the implementation of Article 6.2? • How can multilateral cooperation contribute to raising ambition, and what strategies can encourage broader participation from partners? 	Presentations by invited organizations followed by discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African Group of Negotiators (AGN) • European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) • Asian Development Bank (ADB) • International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)
16:50-17:00 (10 min.)	Closing session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key takeaways and next steps for Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue 	Closing by Moderators and the Secretariat
19 June 2025 – Article 6.2 Information Session Day-2: International Registry		
Time	Topic	Activity/Format
17:00-18:00 (60 min.)	Article 6.2 international registry The secretariat will provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the International Registry offers and how Parties can access it; • Lifecycle of a Mitigation Outcome: From MO to ITMO; • International registry for authorized entities; • Compliance and Visibility: How rules and reporting work. 	Presentations by the Secretariat followed by Q&A segment