



RCC COP29 EVENT

Title: Operationalizing Article 6 in South Asia: Country Experiences and Perspectives

Theme: Article 6

Location: [Blue Zone](#), Special Event Room 'Shirvan'

Date: 12th November 2024 | Time: 19:00-20:00

Background

The UNFCCC, through its Regional Collaboration Centres (RCCs), is actively supporting countries in operationalizing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and advancing the adoption of various carbon pricing instruments. These efforts aim to promote international cooperation in climate action, foster market-based mechanisms, and create pathways for achieving emission reduction targets.

The Regional Collaboration Centre for MENA and South Asia plays a key role in assisting South Asian countries in several aspects of Article 6. This includes the development of positive lists, establishing registry frameworks, designing carbon trading mechanisms, and conducting capacity-building initiatives to enhance technical expertise and institutional readiness.

The side event will provide a comprehensive overview of ongoing Article 6 activities in South Asian countries, highlighting their progress and preparedness to engage in cooperative approaches. Such readiness can help mobilize the financial, technical, and institutional support needed for implementing targeted sectoral mitigation actions aligned with conditional NDC targets. The event will feature interventions from government representatives of Sri Lanka, Bhutan, Singapore, and Japan, along with contributions from other technical assistance providers involved in Article 6-related capacity-building efforts across South Asia.

Objectives:

The primary objective of the side event is to provide a platform for countries to share lessons and experiences from their participation in cooperative approaches under Article 6, offering a comprehensive status update on its operationalization in the South Asia region. Participating countries will reflect on their progress, challenges, and insights, highlighting key elements and practical aspects of the Article 6 process that have shaped their journey so far.

Additionally, the event aims to disseminate current South Asian countries' learnings and successes, showcasing best practices that can serve as models for other countries. These shared experiences are intended to accelerate the adoption of essential components for Article 6 implementation, enabling smoother integration into domestic frameworks and fostering regional cooperation for climate action.

Logistics needs: Video projection, lectern, microphones for Q&A



Targeted Audience: Government officials including DNAs from South Asian countries, implementing partners

Agenda

Duration	Topic	Speaker
Moderator: Ms. Ana Vukoje, Regional Lead, RCC MENA SA		
5 min	Opening remarks	Mr. Perumal Arumugam Manager, Mitigation division, UNFCCC (tbc)
15 min	Article 6 Potential and Catalysing climate action for NDCs: Current Status in South Asia Operationalizing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement: Focus on capacity building initiatives in South Asia, insights from theory and practice, private sector roles in NDC implementation, experiences with Article 6.8, and integrating current learnings into national strategies.	Mr. Umamaheswaran Krishnan Article 6 and Carbon Pricing Regional Expert, RCC MENA SA
30 min	Country Experiences	
	1. Bhutan: Article 6-aligned mitigation activities focused on NDC conditional targets	Mr. Sonam Tashi, Director, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Bhutan (tbc)
	2. Sri Lanka: Operationalizing Article 6 with support from RCC MENA SA and others	Mr. Prabath Chandrakeerthi, Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Government of Sri Lanka (tbc)
	3. Singapore - Engagements towards advancing Article 6 implementation in South Asian countries	Ms. Deanna Tan - Deputy Director, Carbon Mitigation, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Singapore
	Perspectives from other Organizations	
	4. World Bank: Providing technical and financial support for Article 6 readiness in South Asia.	Mr. Chandra Shekhar Sinha, Global Lead for Carbon Markets and Finance, World Bank
	5. A6IP: Building Bangladesh's capacity for Article 6 participation through targeted training and resources.	Mr. Supanut Choevitayatarakorn, Program Manager, Paris Agreement Article 6 Implementation Partnership
	Guiding questions 1. What are the primary needs and support mechanisms required to scale up Article 6 implementation and integrate it into NDCs and LT-LEDs across South Asia?	



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. How can regional collaboration and stakeholder engagement be enhanced to address challenges and create opportunities for effective Article 6 operationalization?3. What key resources or capacity-building initiatives would best support countries at varying stages of Article 6 readiness?4. How can countries measure and improve the effectiveness of capacity-building programs to maximize Article 6 implementation outcomes?	
10 min	Q&A and discussion	Moderator