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CONCEPT NOTE

Article 6.2 Ambition Dialogue

in conjunction with SBI 65 in Antalya, Türkiye

9 November 2026, 15:00 – 18:00, Meeting Room 19 - Ahlat

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 (Ambition Dialogue).

Parties, in paragraphs 18-19 of decision 19/CMA.7, welcomed the two Ambition Dialogues held under this mandate and requested the secretariat, in organizing future Ambition Dialogues, to consider enhancing the efficiency and efficacy of the Ambition Dialogues by encouraging interactive and constructive peer-to-peer discussion and enabling broader participation and engagement by Parties and observers.

II. Objectives

In line with decision 19/CMA.7 and taking into account feedback from Parties and observers, the Ambition Dialogue to be organized in conjunction with SBI 65 aims to facilitate interactive, in-depth and constructive peer-to-peer discussions on how cooperative approaches under Article 6.2 support ambition in practice.

The Ambition Dialogue aims to promote a better understanding of the considerations that inform Parties' implementation of cooperative approaches, drawing on practical experiences, including challenges encountered, lessons learned and emerging practices, and how these can contribute to enhancing ambition.

Furthermore, it aims to enable broader participation and engagement by Parties and observers at different stages of readiness, fostering an open and inclusive space for mutual learning and exchange.

III. Participation

As per paragraph 56 of decision 4/CMA.6, the Ambition Dialogue is open to participation by Parties and observers. Registered Party delegates and observers to COP 31 will also be able to follow the Ambition Dialogue virtually through the COP 31 digital platform.

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.

IV. Moderation

The Ambition Dialogue will be led by moderators, invited by the secretariat to facilitate the discussions among participants.

V. Format

To facilitate interactive and focused exchanges among participants, the Ambition Dialogue will follow a roundtable format designed to encourage open discussion and peer learning.

In view of time and space constraints, the Ambition Dialogue during SBI 65 will be organized as a single three-hour session focused on one overarching theme. Invited speakers will provide brief introductory presentation to help frame the discussion, drawing on their practical experience in implementing cooperative approaches, including key considerations, challenges encountered and lessons learned. This will be followed by an extended moderated exchange among participants.

VI. Thematic focus

The Ambition Dialogue will focus on authorization under Article 6.2, with particular attention to the considerations that inform Parties' decisions to authorize internationally transferred mitigation outcomes (ITMOs) for use towards the achievement of an NDC or for use for other international mitigation purposes.

The discussion will explore how Parties approach authorization in practice, including how considerations related to NDC implementation, environmental integrity, safeguards and other relevant national circumstances inform their decision-making.

Agenda

Time	Topic	Format / Speaker
15:00-15:20 (20 min.)	**Opening Session** • Opening remarks • Article 6 Implementation Updates	Opening by the Secretariat
	Moderators: TBD	
15:20-16:20 (60 min.)	**Authorizing ITMOs in support of ambition** This session will focus on how Parties approach decisions to authorize ITMOs, including the key considerations that inform such decisions and their linkages with NDC implementation, longer-term climate strategies, environmental integrity, safeguards and other relevant national circumstances. Invited Parties and observers will share practical experiences and perspectives through short presentations, followed by questions from participants. Broader discussion on the issues raised will continue in the subsequent session.	Experience-sharing presentations by Parties and observers • Brazil • Germany • Bhutan • Carbon Market Watch • Research and Independent Non-Governmental Organizations (RINGO)
16:20-17:50 (90 min.)	**Open discussion on authorization and ambition** This session will provide an opportunity for participants to engage in an open and interactive exchange on the considerations that inform authorization decisions and how such decisions can support ambition in practice, building on the experiences and perspectives shared in the preceding session. *Guiding questions* • What key considerations inform Parties' decisions on whether, what and how much to authorize as ITMOs, including in relation to multiple NDC implementation periods and longer-term climate strategies and net zero targets? • How do Parties consider environmental integrity, safeguards and other relevant national circumstances when making authorization decisions? How equitable sharing of benefits are considered?	Moderated discussion

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17:50-17:55 (5 min.)	**Feedback on Future Ambition Dialogues** • Participants will be invited to complete a short survey to share their views on possible topics and format for the Ambition Dialogue to be organized in conjunction with SBI 66 (June 2027).	
17:55-18:00 (5 min.)	**Closing of the Ambition Dialogue**	Closing by moderators