

OPPORTUNITIES IN ARTICLE 6.8

CLARA's Proposal for a Strong Non-Market Mechanism to Implement Paris Agreement Article 6.8

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WHAT IS THE ARTICLE 6.8 MECHANISM?

- Article 6.8 Mechanism enables non-market based international cooperation and ambition on both mitigation and adaptation.
- We support proposals for establishment of a Registry that:
 - Emphasizes increased ambition in NDCs;
 - Creates a simple and transparency 'matching mechanism' that support Activities;
 - Focus on LCIP rights, and Activities found in the LCIP Platform 2022-24 Workplan.
 - Jointly implement UNFCCC and UNCBD goals/standards pertaining to ecosystem integrity.

WHAT IS UNIQUE TO THE 6.8 MECHANISM?

- More ambitious / nearer-term than Activities discussed in Articles 6.2 and 6.4.
- Mandate for a Mechanism that is “Integrated, holistic, and balanced”
- Implements the Paris Agreement ‘in its entirety, including the Preamble’ –
 - Important for gender justice
 - Important for future generations (intergenerational equity)
- Represents the most important outcome of COP26 for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities.
- *Can be launched at COP27, focused on increasing and unlocking ambition in NDCs.*

'INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION'

- Need for a Paris Agreement mechanism that focuses on resilience.
- Need for a Paris Agreement mechanism to allow for *Contributions* to climate ambition, outside of markets.
- Existing pledges from Glasgow pertaining to the roles and rights of Indigenous Communities and Local Communities aligned with Art 6.8 objectives.
- Recognizing the crucial co-benefits associated with attempts to pursue low-carbon development pathways in AFOLU sectors.

WHAT ACTIVITIES?: 'RESILIENCE' AND 'JMA' 'JMA'

- We support use of *Joint Mitigation Adaptation (JMA)* and *Resilience* as the main structuring criteria for activities under Article 6.8, with particular focus on social processes.
- Key activities include
 - JMA
 - Resilience
 - Activities in the LCIP Platform Workplan
 - AFLOU Sector activities

WHAT GUIDES IMPLEMENTATION OF 6.8?

- Appropriate for pursuing four interlocking areas:
 - Mitigation
 - Adaptation
 - Rights
 - Ecosystem Integrity
- Emphasizing implementation of the LCIP Platform workplan objectives and of the Gender Action Plan adopted at COP25.

PROPOSED OUTCOMES

- A stand-alone, centralized Registry for non-market activities
- Article 6.8 activities are funded or otherwise supported by governments and non-government entities as *Contributions*
- Implementing the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples (LCIP) Platform Work Plan is a key initial focus of Article 6.8 Activities
- Activities focus on JMA – joint mitigation adaptation – and Resilience
- **International cooperation for mitigation from the land and forestry (AFOLU) sectors is exclusive to Article 6.8**

Thank you