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# IETA<sup>25</sup> YEARS



**Dirk Forrister**  
President & CEO  
International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to New Delhi ! Welcome to the Asia Climate Summit!

Asia represents the engine room of our efforts to build the energy transition. Across the region countries are stepping up to take on the challenge of cutting greenhouse gases, and most are embracing the power of markets to help them achieve this goal.

We're delighted that representatives of business and government from across Asia are joining us in Delhi. The sheer breadth of attendance demonstrates the enthusiasm and commitment with which Asia-Pacific countries are embracing market mechanisms, and we hope that the coming three days will represent a stock-taking, a look ahead and the chance to compare experiences and lessons.

This year has seen compliance markets start to take shape around the region, and our Asia Climate Summit will take this opportunity to look at how different national markets are developing, how they differ and how they are similar.

And we'll look ahead to COP29 in Baku. We're hopeful that the UNFCCC negotiations will advance the roll-out of Article 6.4, building on the efforts of the Supervisory Body earlier this month. And we hope equally that progress on Article 6.4 may help unlock an agreement on the technical aspects of Article 6.2.

Carbon removal is also likely to be a prominent topic in Baku, and we'll examine the innovations that are helping to develop this exciting and important technology. While so much time and effort is being put into the development of compliance markets both at the national and UN levels, we won't forget the role that the voluntary carbon markets can play in deploying critical finance and reducing emissions.

Lastly, carbon markets can often have impacts far beyond their borders. The last few years has seen intense debate around the EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, and while other countries are also either planning or considering their own versions, Europe's is the most advanced. This year's summit will share experiences from companies in Asia who are already grappling with the new CBAM rules – this is one session you won't want to miss!

We hope you derive both inspiration and education from this year's Asia Climate Summit!

Best,

Dirk Forrister

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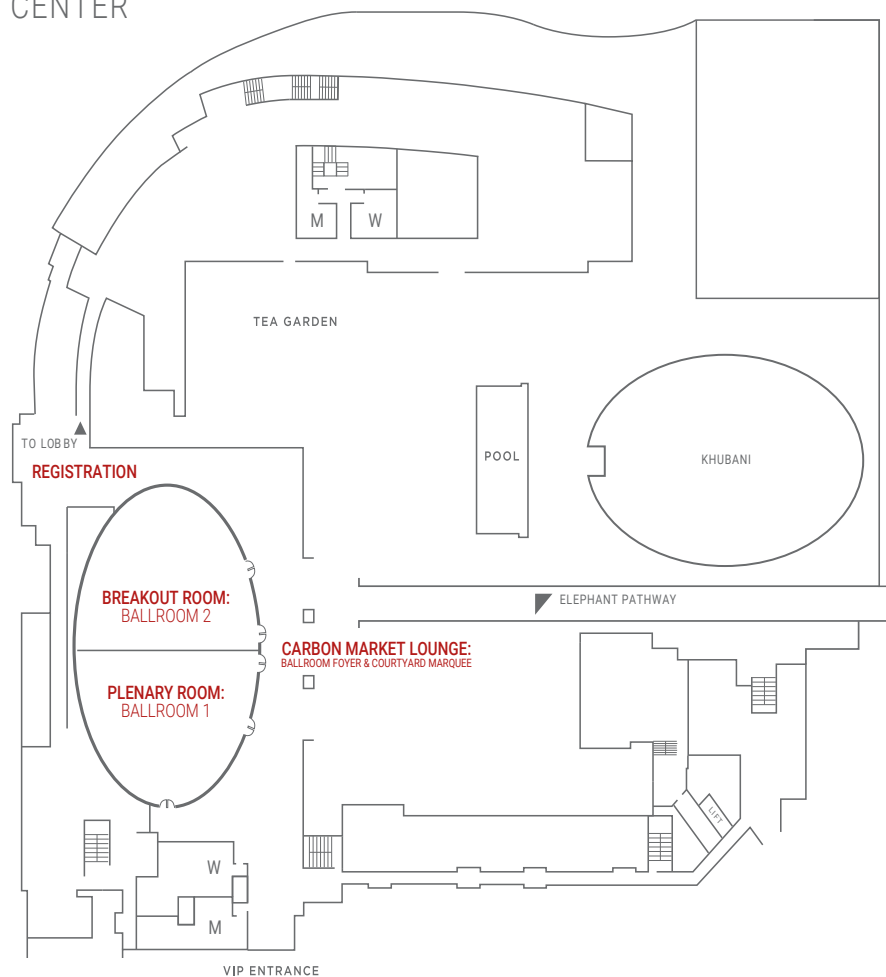
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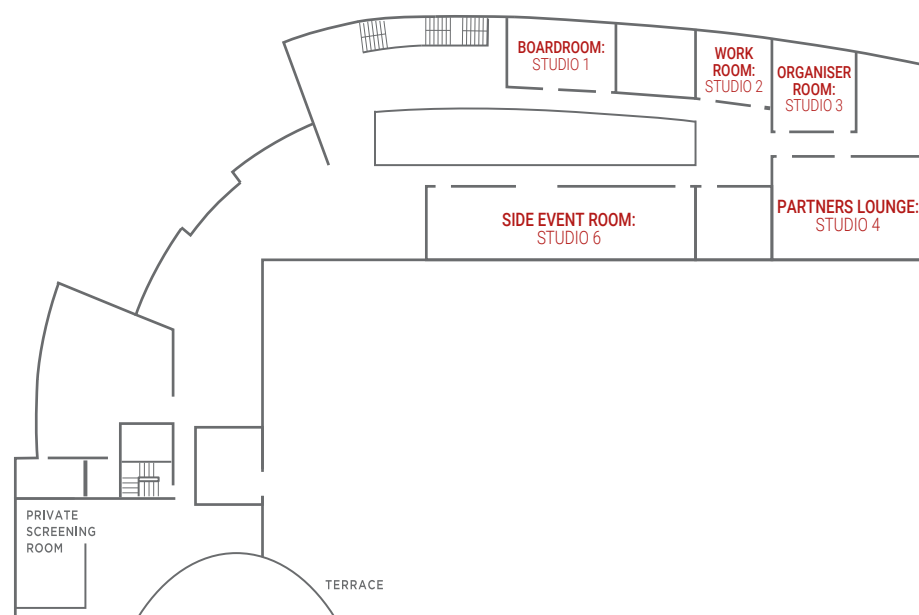
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## LEGEND

● Plenary

● Breakout

● Side Event Session

● Social Networking Events

● Invite Only / Closed Door Meeting

All times in IST

## DAY 1 - TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER

9:00 ● **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**

10:00 ● 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

9:00 ● **Invite Only – World Bank & Partnership for Market Implementation (PMI) Workshop: Creating an Enabling Environment for Enhanced Participation in International Carbon Markets**

13:00 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

9:00 ● **Closed Door – International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP) & Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI) & Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) Carbon Market Dialogue**

16:00 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

10:00 ● **Inaugural Addresses & Plenary 1 – Building a Unified Climate Action Narrative**

11:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

11:30 ● **Session Transition**

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16:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1



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- 16:00 ● **Session Transition**  
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- 16:10 ● **Side Event 1 Organised by UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre MENA and South Asia – Masterclass on Article 6**  
17:25 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 16:15 ● **Side Event 2 Organised by EKI Energy – Investment Opportunities in Voluntary and Compliance Carbon Markets**  
17:15 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 16:15 ● **Side Event 3 Organised by cKinetics – Comparison of Global Schemes and Relevance to India’s Upcoming Carbon Credit Trading Scheme**  
17:15 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6
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- 17:15 ● **Session Transition**  
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- 17:30 ● **Side Event 4 Organised by Verra – Recent Updates to the VCS Standard and Key Methodologies, and Eligibility of the VCS Program for Compliance Markets**  
18:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 17:30 ● **Side Event 5 Organised by Grow Indigo – The Importance of Carbon Credit Integrity in Agricultural Programs**  
18:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 17:30 ● **Side Event 6 Organised by BMWK - Opportunities for the Use of International Carbon Markets by India**  
18:30 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6
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- 18:30 ● **Asia Climate Summit Welcome Reception**  
20:00 **Opened to all Summit Delegates.**  
📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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## DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER

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- 8:30 ● **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**  
9:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 9:00 ● **Opening & Ministerial Addresses: Carbon Markets Driving Collective Climate Action**  
9:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 9:30 ● **Session Transition**  
9:45
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- 9:45 ● **Plenary 5 – State of Play of Carbon Markets in Asia Roundtable**  
11:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 11:00 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**  
11:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 11:00 ● **Closed Door – cKinetics Roundtable on Attracting Global Climate Finance to Indian Corporates**  
13:00 📍 Boardroom - Studio 1
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- 11:30 ● **Breakout 1 – Reaching Net-Zero: The Role of Carbon Dioxide Removals (CDR)**  
12:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 11:30 ● **Breakout 2 – What the Private Sector Wants from Article 6: A Preview of the Article 6 Business Pulse Survey**  
12:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 12:30 ● **Networking Lunch**  
13:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 13:30 ● **Side Event 7 Organised by Renew – The Carbon Project Developer’s Perspective: Barriers and Opportunities for Scaling-Up the Supply of High Quality Offsets**  
14:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 13:30 ● **Side Event 8 Organised by The Good Rice Alliance (TGRA) – Delivering Impact for Local Communities and Small-holders through High-Integrity Markets**  
14:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 13:30 ● **Side Event 9 Organised by S&P Global Commodity Insights – Building Resilient Registries: Safeguarding National Data and Integrating with Global Carbon Markets**  
14:30 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6
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- 14:30 ● **Session Transition**  
14:45
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- 14:45 ● **Breakout 3 – What Role for the Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM) in Decarbonizing the Asia Pacific Region?**  
15:45 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 14:45 ● **Breakout 4 – Emissions Trading Systems in the Asia-Pacific Region: Good Practices and Challenges**  
15:45 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 15:45 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**  
16:15 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 16:15 ● **Plenary 6 – From Voluntary to Mandatory: The Use of Independent Crediting Programmes in Compliance Schemes**  
17:15 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 17:15 ● **Session Transition**  
17:30
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- 17:30 ● **Plenary 7 – Shaping the Energy Transition and Industrial Decarbonisation in Asia**  
18:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 20:30 ● **IETA 25th Anniversary Nightcap Party**  
23:30 **Separate paid ticket required for entrance, to be purchased online.**  
📍 Downtown New Delhi

## DAY 3 - THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

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- 8:30 ● **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**  
10:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 9:00 ● **Side Event 10 Organised Carbon Market Mechanisms Working Group (CMM WG) & Perspectives – Accelerating Energy Sector Transformation Through International Carbon Markets**  
10:00 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 10:00 ● **Plenary 8 – Driving the Green Transition Through High-Integrity Voluntary Carbon Markets (VCM) across Asia Pacific**  
11:00 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 11:00 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**  
11:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 11:30 ● **Breakout 5 – The Impact of EU’s Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) on Asia**  
12:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 11:30 ● **Breakout 6 – Financing Natural Climate Solutions (NCS) and REDD+ in Southeast Asia**  
12:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 12:30 ● **Networking Lunch**  
13:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 13:30 ● **Side Event 11 Organised by ACX – National Environmental Exchanges in Emerging Markets: ACX’s Approach**  
14:30 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6
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- 13:30 ● **Side Event 12 Organised by YC Holdings – Holding Mitigating CBAM and ESG Risk: Impacts and Solutions for SMEs**  
14:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 14:30 ● **Session Transition**  
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- 14:40 ● **Breakout 7 – Potential of Digital Infrastructure: Creating Liquid and Transparent Markets**  
15:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 14:40 ● **Breakout 8 – Japan and the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM): Fostering Linkages Across Asia-Pacific and Beyond**  
15:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2
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- 15:30 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**  
16:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee
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- 16:00 ● **Plenary 9 – Financing Net-Zero: Mobilizing the Private Sector in Delivering the New Finance Goal**  
17:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1
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- 17:00 ● **17:00-17:15 High-level Closing Addresses**  
17:15 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1



## DAY 1 - TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER

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9:00 ● **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**  
10:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

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9:00 ● **Invite Only – World Bank & Partnership for Market Implementation (PMI) Workshop: Creating an Enabling Environment for Enhanced Participation in International Carbon Markets**  
13:00 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

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9:00 ● **Closed Door – International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP) & Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI) & Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) Carbon Market Dialogue**  
16:00 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

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10:00 ● **Inaugural Addresses & Plenary 1 – Building a Unified Climate Action Narrative**  
11:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

This inaugural session will emphasize on the critical role of strategic, coordinated communication in fostering collaboration and developing a cohesive narrative that resonates with diverse stakeholders, aligning government, industry, and civil society around common climate goals. Leaders will share their perspectives on the role of communication as a catalyst for climate action, and why collaboration across sectors is essential for achieving meaningful progress.

### Panelists:

- 👤 Mahendra Singhi, Chair FICCI Environment & Climate Change Committee & Member of Board & Strategic Advisor - Dalmia Cements (Bharat)
  - 👤 Tarun Kapoor, Advisor to the Prime Minister - Prime Minister's Office, Government of India
  - 👤 Leena Nandan, Secretary - Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, India
  - 👤 Rambabu Paravastu, Co-Chair FICCI Environment & Climate Change Committee & Advisor and Chief Sustainability Officer - Greenko Group
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11:30 ● **Session Transition**  
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11:30 ● **Invite Only – Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) & IETA Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanisms (CBAM) Workshop**  
13:00 📍 Boardroom - Studio 1

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11:40 ● **Plenary 2 – Leaders' Talk on Leveraging the Carbon Markets in India: Strategies for Sustainable Growth and Climate Action through Advanced Technologies, Climate Finance & Demand Creation**  
12:40 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

In today's rapidly evolving environmental landscape, the carbon market presents a powerful avenue for achieving both sustainable growth and effective climate action. This session will deliberate on advanced strategies for leveraging carbon markets to drive meaningful change and enhance business resilience. Led by industry experts, the session will gain critical insights into the mechanisms of carbon pricing, allowances, and credits, and understand how these elements can be harnessed to meet regulatory requirements and exceed sustainability goals.

### Moderator:

- 👤 R R Rashmi, Former Secretary to Government of India, Distinguished Fellow & Program Director - TERI

### Speakers:

- 👤 Gautam Reddy, CEO - AM Green Group
  - 👤 Arun Misra, CEO - Hindustan Zinc
  - 👤 Hitendra Dave, CEO - HSBC India
  - 👤 Satish Pai, Managing Director - Hindalco Industries
  - 👤 Manish Dabkara, Chairman, EKI Energy Services & FICCI Co-Chair - MP Region
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12:30 ● **Welcome Lunch**

14:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

13:30 ● **Invite Only – Asia Climate Summit Interactive Media Workshop on Carbon Markets in Asia**

15:00 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

For Media & Press only – this workshop will provide an overview of carbon markets across the region, shed light on the evolution of voluntary markets, and cover the latest regarding the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) and impact on India and the region. The agenda will ensure ample time for in-depth exploration, questions, and answers.

#### Opening Remarks & Introduction

##### Co-Facilitators:

👤 Lynne Backhouse, Communications Manager - IETA

👤 To be announced - FICCI

#### Scene Setting Presentation on Carbon Markets in Asia

##### Presenter:

👤 Hari Gadde, Senior Climate Change Specialist - World Bank Group

#### Part 1. Evolution of Voluntary Markets and Integrity Concerns: How carbon markets can help finance sustainable development in host countries

##### Presenter:

👤 Peter Fegelman, Head of Carbon Markets Analytics - MSCI

#### Part 2. Growth of Carbon Pricing/Markets and International Linkages Through Article 6: What's happening with Singapore, Japan, South Korea, and more

##### Presenter:

👤 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA

#### Part 3. The Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) and 'Fairness': In carbon pricing policies, trade barriers, climate financing that impacts exports, economic development, energy security

##### Presenter:

👤 Robert Shih, General Manager - YC Holdings

#### Summary & Closing Remarks by:

👤 Lynne Backhouse, Communications Manager - IETA

13:40 ● **Plenary 3 – Climate Risk for Financial Institutions & Banks Towards Low Carbon Technologies**

14:40 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

The central banking regulator of India - Reserve Bank of India (RBI), released guidelines on climate risk and sustainable finance, and the framework for acceptance of green deposits. The current disclosure framework is a step towards bringing the climate risk assessment, measurement and reporting requirements under mainstream compliance framework for financial sector entities in India. The session will discuss the challenges and way-forward in guideline implementation and overcoming these challenges for resilience and sustainable finance practices.

#### Moderator:

👤 Mukund Rajan, Mentor FICCI Environment & Climate Change Committee & Chairman, ECube Investment Advisors



**Speakers:**

- 👤 Sanjoy Ghosh, General Manager, Climate Action and Sustainability - NABARD
  - 👤 R K Singh, Chief General Manager, Green Climate Finance Vertical - SIDBI
  - 👤 Shikha Hora Kamdar, Head, Retail Assets & ESG - IDFC First Bank
  - 👤 Nusrat Pathan, Head, Sustainability & Corporate Social Responsibility - HDFC Bank
  - 👤 To be announced - RBI
  - 👤 Upendra Bhatt, Co-Founder - cKinetics
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14:30 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**

15:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

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14:30 ● **Invite Only – Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), India & World Bank Roundtable Discussion: Designing a Market Stability Reserve for the Indian Carbon Market**

16:00 📍 Boardroom - Studio 1

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15:00 ● **Plenary 4 – Business for Land (B4L) in Combating Climate Risks**

16:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

Organised in partnership with UNCCD, the Business 4 Land India Event aims to foster partnerships and engagement with Indian businesses in the agriculture, mining, and fashion sectors. It also seeks to involve financial institutions to promote land conservation and restoration. This event will inform the Indian private sector about the B4L Initiative and explore opportunities for collaboration. It will help them to manage land sustainably by avoiding and mitigating risks linked to land degradation and drought within their supply chains.

**Panelists:**

- 👤 Utchang Kang, Programme Management Officer - UNCCD
  - 👤 Ramesh Ramachandran, Managing Director and CEO, Mahindra Agri Solutions Limited & Managing Director, Mahindra EPC Irrigation
  - 👤 Laxit Awla, CEO & Director - SAEL
  - 👤 Selvakumar Ramasamy, Lead Climate Change, Group Sustainability - Aditya Birla Group
  - 👤 To be announced - HUL
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16:00 ● **Session Transition**

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16:10 ● **Side Event 1 Organised by UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre MENA and South Asia – Masterclass on Article 6**

17:25 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

This session aims to provide an in-depth exploration of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, covering both market and non-market mechanisms, with an emphasis on MCUs and the current status of various ongoing cooperative approaches. The masterclass would aim to build the capacity of participants, including project owners of CDM projects under transition, new Article 6 project developers, as well as government representatives in attendance (DOEs, DNAs), and focus on concepts, latest RMPs, and real case studies.

**Moderator:**

- 👤 Ana Vukoje, Regional Lead, RCC Middle East, North Africa and South Asia - UNFCCC

**Presenters:**

- 👤 Umamaheswaran Krishnan, Article 6 & Carbon Pricing Specialist, RCC Middle East, North Africa and South Asia - UNFCCC
  - 👤 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA
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**16:15 ● Side Event 2 Organised by EKI Energy – Investment Opportunities in Voluntary and Compliance Carbon Markets****17:15** 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

In this event, we will guide companies on how to invest in carbon credit projects, highlighting different project types such as avoidance, removal, nature-based, and technological credits and other initiatives led by EKI. It will also cover the financial and environmental benefits, risk management, and strategies for aligning these investments with corporate sustainability goals while navigating both voluntary and compliance carbon markets.

**Presenter:**

👤 Manish Dabkara, Chairman &amp; Managing Director - EKI Energy Services

**Speakers:**

👤 To be announced

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**16:15 ● Side Event 3 Organised by cKinetics – Comparison of Global Schemes and Relevance to India's Upcoming Carbon Credit Trading Scheme****17:15**

📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

This session will address how different sectors have been impacted in global carbon markets; and how that connects with India. Panelists will present how design of global markets has influenced investor involvement and carbon prices; and how India can tap into international carbon capital, and look at different designs of the markets and what that could mean as India's market gets designed.

**Moderator:**

👤 Nikhil Agarwal, Associate Partner and Director - cKinetics

**Presenter:**

👤 Tarana Ahmad, Manager- Carbon Markets - cKinetics

**Speakers:**

👤 Vinod Kala, Founder and CEO - Emergent Ventures

👤 Kaushik Deb, Executive Director - EPIC India

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**17:15 ● Session Transition****17:30**

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**17:30 ● Side Event 4 Organised by Verra – Recent Updates to the VCS Standard and Key Methodologies, and Eligibility of the VCS Program for Compliance Markets****18:30**

📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

In 2024, Verra incorporated revisions to the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) Program, including the VCS Standard and key methodologies, to clarify how the program met the requirements for the ICVCM's Core Carbon Principals (CCPs). In this session, we will share details about these updates and its methodologies for Improved Agricultural Land Management and Afforestation, Reforestation, and Revegetation, used for projects in India. Furthermore, the session will include details on the Performance Monitoring Program for validation/verification bodies (VVBs).

**Panelists:**

👤 Ashok Kumar, Regional Representative, Central and South Asia - Verra

👤 Sakshi Nehra, Senior Program Officer, Auditing and Accreditation - Verra

👤 Viridiana Alcantara-Shivapatham, Manager, Agriculture Innovation - Verra



17:30 ● **Side Event 5 Organised by Grow Indigo – The Importance of Carbon Credit Integrity in Agricultural Programs**

18:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

Join us for a discussion on how agricultural sustainability programs can build credibility and trust in voluntary carbon markets. Learn how Grow Indigo's pioneering work with smallholder farmers, rigorous monitoring and measurement, and vertically integrated approach is driving emissions reductions and removals, empowering farmers, and setting new benchmarks for carbon farming.

**Moderator:**

👤 Vivian Fernandes - Columnist

**Presenter:**

👤 Umang Agarwal, Head of Carbon - Grow Indigo

**Speakers:**

👤 Usha Zehr, Executive Director - Grow Indigo

👤 Ajai Rana, CEO & Managing Director - Savannah Seeds

👤 Kirti Ramesh, Senior director, Ratings innovation - BeZero

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17:30 ● **Side Event 6 Organised by Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action of Germany (BMWK) - Opportunities for the Use of International Carbon Markets by India**

18:30 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

This side event dives into the latest developments regarding the implementation of the domestic carbon market and Article 6 cooperation in India.

**Moderator & Scene Setting:**

👤 Axel Michaelowa, Research Director - Perspectives Climate Research (PCR)

**Speakers:**

👤 Nameeta Prasad, Joint Secretary - Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)

👤 Thomas Forth, Senior Expert - Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action of Germany (BMWK)

👤 Arjun Dutt, Senior Programme Lead - Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW)

👤 Saurabh Diddi, Director - Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)

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18:30 ● **Asia Climate Summit Welcome Reception**

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DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER

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9:00 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

9:00 ● **Opening & Ministerial Addresses: Carbon Markets Driving Collective Climate Action**

9:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

**Organiser Welcome Address:**

👤 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

**Collaborating Partner Address:**

👤 Mahendra Singhi, Chairman, Environment & Climate Change Committee - FICCI

**Ministerial Partner Address:**

👤 To be announced - Ministry of Power, India

9:30 ● **Session Transition**

9:45

9:45 ● **Plenary 5 – State of Play of Carbon Markets in Asia Roundtable**

11:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

2024 has seen monumental, but unfinished, progress on carbon markets across Asia Pacific. This Plenary brings together government and industry climate leaders who will discuss the latest advancements in carbon pricing instruments and regulations across the region - with a focus on the expansion of compliance markets, looking at the opportunities and challenges. The session will explore how countries are shaping the development of carbon markets, catering to diverse needs and characteristics of each country, and promoting global collaboration.

**Moderator:**

👤 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

**Scene Setting Presentation:**

👤 Chandra Sekhar Sinha, Global Lead, Carbon Markets - World Bank

**Speakers:**

👤 Honorable Gagan Kumar Thapa, Member of Parliament, Government of Nepal & Former Minister, General Secretary of Nepali Congress

👤 Saurabh Diddi, Director, Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) - Ministry of Power, Government of India

👤 Ilham Cmmmai, Deputy Director of Carbon Utilization Affairs - The Coordinating Ministry for Maritime Affairs and Investments, Indonesia

👤 Renato Roldao, DG Clima Task Force - European Commission

👤 Ana Vukoje, Regional Lead, RCC Middle East, North Africa and South Asia - UNFCCC

👤 Pedro Barata, Associate Vice-President, Carbon Markets and Private Sector Decarbonization - Environmental Defense Fund

👤 Fabio Silva Nehme, Senior Executive Vice-President and Global Head of Carbon - ReNew

11:00 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**

11:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee



11:00 ● **Closed Door – cKinetics Roundtable on Attracting Global Climate Finance to Indian Corporates**

13:00 📍 Boardroom - Studio 1

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11:30 ● **Breakout 1 – Reaching Net-Zero: The Role of Carbon Dioxide Removals (CDR)**

12:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

Achieving net-zero requires more than just emission reductions; it also demands large-scale deployment of Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) technologies to address residual greenhouse gases in the region. These technologies, ranging from direct air capture to nature-based solutions, are critical to offsetting hard-to-abate emissions and stabilizing global temperatures. This panel will delve into the technical innovations and policy frameworks needed to scale CDR across Asia and achieve our net-zero targets.

**Moderator:**

👤 Alvin Lee, Regional Head, APAC - Puro.earth

**Speakers:**

👤 Asitava Sen, CEO - Carbon Removal India Alliance (CRIA)

👤 Kirti Ramesh, Director of Ratings - BeZero

👤 David Ungar, Managing Director - Carbon Finance Lab

👤 Injy Johnston, Research Associate in Net Zero Aligned Offsetting - Oxford Net Zero

👤 Navjot Sandhu, Senior Analyst - Carbon Engineering

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11:30 ● **Breakout 2 – What the Private Sector Wants from Article 6: A Preview of the Article 6 Business Pulse Survey**

12:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

The involvement of the private sector in Article 6 transactions is integral to the success of this nascent market. IETA and the Article 6 Implementation Partnership launched the first Article 6 Business Pulse Survey to provide a snapshot of views and expectation in the business community. This session will present the survey's initial findings and discuss them with a panel of experts.

**Moderator:**

👤 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA

**Presentation:**

👤 Nadine Lim, International Policy Analyst - IETA

**Speakers:**

👤 Andrew Howard, Senior Director, Climate Policy and Strategy - Verra

👤 Sandeep Roy Choudhury, Director - VNV Advisory

👤 Kyunghwa Jeon, Director - BeFLAT Services

👤 Louis Booth, APAC Commercial Lead - Sylvera

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12:30 ● **Networking Lunch**

13:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

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13:30 ● **Side Event 7 Organised by ReNew – The Carbon Project Developer's Perspective: Barriers and Opportunities for Scaling-Up the Supply of High Quality Offsets**

14:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

Whilst much attention is given to accelerating demand and to offset environmental integrity, less attention is given to barriers for scaling the supply-side of high-quality offsets to meet the expected growth in corporate and government

demand. This session will bring together the perspective of the developers working on the frontlines, buyers, governments, and other key stakeholders to define a set of priorities needed to ensure the supply-side does not become a future bottleneck in the development of global carbon markets.

**Moderator & Scene Setting Presentation:**

 Fabio Silva Nehme, Senior Executive Vice-President and Global Head of Carbon - ReNew

**Speakers:**

 Mayank Choudhary, Director, Private Sector Infrastructure Finance - Asian Development Bank

 Hugh Salway, Senior Director, Market Development and Partnerships - Gold Standard

 Sandhya Srinivasan, Senior Climate Change Specialist - World Bank

 Liam Marshall, Director, APAC - BeZero

 Otani Atsushi, Carbon Manager - Mitsubishi Corporation

13:30 ● **Side Event 8 Organised by The Good Rice Alliance (TGRA) – Delivering Impact for Local Communities and Small-holders through High-Integrity Markets**

14:30

 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

Join us in cultivating change with GRA - As we navigate the path towards a greener, more harmonious world. Together, let's cultivate change, empower farmers, and build a sustainable, resilient, and environmentally friendly future for generations to come. This session will look at quality in voluntary agriculture carbon credits bringing a transformative change in rice cultivation. We will discuss our philosophy and practice around the Total Quality Management (TQM) in an ambitious rice de-methanization project being implemented in a smallholder environment.

**Moderator:**

 Sangeeta Dawar, Director- Government Affairs, Public Affairs & Sustainability, IBSL - Bayer Group


**Presenters:**

 Suhas Joshi, India Carbon Initiative Lead - Bayer Group

 Nagana Gouda, Chief Agronomist - The Good Rice Alliance (TGRA)

**Speakers:**

 Manu Hari, GM-Environmental Energy & Power Solution Group - Mitsubishi Corporation India

 Sarvajna Salimath, Professor, Soil Science & Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga

13:30 ● **Side Event 9 Organised by S&P Global Commodity Insights – Building Resilient Registries: Safeguarding National Data and Integrating with Global Carbon Markets**

14:30

 Side Event Room - Studio 6

In the evolving landscape of environmental management, robust registry platforms are vital for countries to safeguard national data and effectively track the progress of carbon markets and other environmental initiatives. This session will explore how registries not only protect information but also ensure the integrity and accountability of various actors involved. By discussing the integration of national systems with international markets, we will highlight how global connectivity can enhance transparency, improve efficiency, and strengthen market credibility.

**Moderator:**

 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA



Speakers:

- 👤 Chandra Sekhar Sinha, Global Lead, Carbon Markets - World Bank
- 👤 Juan David Duran, CEO - Ecoregistry
- 👤 Jon Deane, CEO - TROVIO
- 👤 Jack Chong, Director, Environmental Solutions - S&P Global

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14:30 ● **Session Transition**

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14:45 ● **Breakout 3 – What Role for the Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM) in Decarbonizing the Asia Pacific Region?**

15:45 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

The VCM is an important catalyst for investments into carbon mitigation activities. It is also going through an unprecedented phase of scrutiny questioning whether it delivers on its promises for corporate buyers. This event will bring together market experts from across the carbon credit value chain to discuss how they have adapted to buyer demands, and the opportunities that lie ahead for the VCM in the Asia-Pacific region.

**Moderator:**

- 👤 Antoine Diemert, ICROA and VCM Policy Director - IETA

**Scene Setter:**

- 👤 Peter Fegelman, Head of Carbon Market Analytics - MSCI

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Nadiya Nair, Strategy & Development Team Lead - Renewable Energy & Carbon Markets (APAC) - ACT
- 👤 Vishwajit Dahanukar, Director - ACX India
- 👤 Siddhant Gupta, Vice President - EKI
- 👤 Archit Srivastava, Vice President, Strategy & Growth - Earthhood

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14:45 ● **Breakout 4 – Emissions Trading Systems in the Asia-Pacific Region: Good Practices and Challenges**

15:45 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

Compliance carbon markets in the Asia-Pacific region are set to significantly increase their emissions coverage, making a major impact in the global fight against climate change. These markets are rapidly evolving, with established systems like China's national ETS and South Korea's K-ETS undergoing major enhancements. Meanwhile, countries such as India, Japan, Indonesia and Vietnam are preparing to launch their own carbon markets. Join this session to explore the latest developments and discover the opportunities and challenges these markets face.

**Moderator:**

- 👤 Baran Doda, Senior Carbon Market Expert - ICAP

**Address:**

- 👤 Renato Roldao, Member of the Task Force International Carbon Pricing and Markets Diplomacy - European Commission DG Clima

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Aydin Sargin, Climate Change Expert - Directorate of Climate Change, Türkiye
- 👤👤 Ilham Cmmai, Deputy Director of Carbon Utilization Affairs - The Coordinating Ministry for Maritime Affairs and Investments, Indonesia
- 👤 Anna Broadhurst, Lead Adviser on Climate Change - New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade
- 👤 Dang Thi Thuy, Head of Division, Legal Department - Vietnam Ministry of Finance

15:45 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**

16:15 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

16:15 ● **Plenary 6 – From Voluntary to Mandatory: The Use of Independent Crediting Programmes in Compliance Schemes**

17:15 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

This session will discuss how verified carbon credits issued by independent programmes are increasingly used in global and national compliance schemes. Experts from governments and the private sector will delve into the implications of this shift for the carbon market and what it means for global climate action.

**Moderator:**

👤 Bjorn Fonden, International Policy Advisor - IETA

**Speakers:**

👤 Kishor Rajhansa, Chief Operating Officer - Global Carbon Council

👤 Nandini Bajaj, Manager, Carbon Markets - Qantas

👤 Rajani Ranjan Rashmi, Member - ICAO TAB

👤 Hugh Salway, Senior Director - Gold Standard

👤 Elisa De Wit, Partner - Norton Rose Fulbright

17:15 ● **Session Transition**

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17:30 ● **Plenary 7 – Shaping the Energy Transition and Industrial Decarbonisation in Asia**

18:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

Asia accounts for more than half of the world's GHG emissions – and 75% of the region's energy still comes from fossil fuels. Decarbonising energy intensive sectors in Asia is therefore imperative to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement. What role can carbon markets play in accelerating the transition?

**Moderator:**

👤 Pawan Mehra, Senior Advisor, cCarbon & Co-Founder & Managing Director, cKinetics

**Speakers:**

👤 Saurabh Diddi, Director, Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) - Ministry of Power, Government of India

👤 Deepesh Nanda, CEO & Managing Director - Tata Power Renewable Energy

👤 Nisa Hadid, ESG & Energy Transition Specialist - Indonesia Energy Transition Implementation Joint Office

👤 Alistair Ritchie, Director of Asia-Pacific Sustainability - Asia Society Policy Institute

👤 Kit Law Principal, Manager, Strategic Planning, Group Sustainability - CLP Holdings

20:30 ● **IETA 25th Anniversary Nightcap Party**

23:30 **Separate paid ticket required for entrance, to be purchased online.**

📍 Downtown New Delhi



## DAY 3 - THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

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8:30 ● **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**

10:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

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9:00 ● **Side Event 10 Organised Carbon Market Mechanisms Working Group (CMM WG) & Perspectives – Accelerating Energy Sector Transformation Through International Carbon Markets**

10:00 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

This side event will showcase various initiatives in international carbon markets that support efforts for energy sector transition. It will explore the role of carbon markets in energy partnerships, strategies for the early retirement of coal power plants, and efforts to strengthen low-greenhouse gas grids to facilitate the expansion of renewable electricity.

**Moderator & Welcoming Remarks and Scene Setting:**

🗣️ Juliana Kessler, Head of Market Mechanisms - Perspectives Climate Research

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Suman Chandra, Director - Ministry of New & Renewable Energy, India (MNRE)

🗣️ Thomas Forth, Senior Expert - Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action of Germany (BMWK)

🗣️ Vinay Deodhar, Senior Expert - Asian Development Bank (ADB)

🗣️ Hanh Dang, Co-Founder & Managing Director - Vietnam Energy and Environment Consultancy (VNEEC)

🗣️ Axel Michaelowa, Research Director - Perspectives Climate Research

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10:00 ● **Plenary 8 – Driving the Green Transition Through High-Integrity Voluntary Carbon Markets (VCM) across Asia Pacific**

11:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

VCMs enable private sector leadership on climate, and the extent to which they deliver impact at scale depends on robust guidance and incentives. This session will discuss how initiatives across APAC help send the right signals to encourage action and drive the green transition.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ Ritika Tewari, Principal Consultant - South Pole

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Amy Merrill, CEO -ICVCM

🗣️ Madhur Jain, CEO & Founder - Varaha

🗣️ Agamoni Ghosh, Managing Editor, Carbon Pricing - S&P Global

🗣️ Suhas Joshi, India Carbon Initiative Lead - Bayer Group

🗣️ Sandeep Roy Choudhury, Director - VNV Advisory

🗣️ Genevieve Ding, APAC Head of Carbon Credits & Nature-based Solutions - Amazon

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11:00 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**

11:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

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11:30 ● **Breakout 5 – The Impact of EU’s Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) on Asia**

12:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

The EU’s CBAM is set to reshape global trade flows by introducing carbon tariffs on selected imported goods, encouraging a shift towards more sustainable practices. This session will examine how CBAM will impact key exporting nations in Asia which rely heavily on trade with the EU. We will also explore how companies in the Asian region are preparing for the definitive phase of CBAM, starting in 2026 and how they are preparing to meet requirements.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ Leon Yannic Heckmann, Senior Consultant - International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP)

**Key Address:**

🗣️ Renato Roldao, Member of the Task Force International Carbon Pricing and Markets Diplomacy - European Commission DG Clima

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Nguyen Minh Thang, Deputy Head of International Cooperation Department, Vietnam Institute of Strategy and Policy for Industry and Trade - Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam

🗣️ Sanjana Gorti, Lead Air and Water Labs - Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), South Asia

🗣️ Alfredo Nicastro, Senior Vice-President, Global Head of Carbon Markets - StoneX Carbon Solutions

🗣️ Robert Shih, General Manager - YC Holdings

11:30 ● **Breakout 6 – Financing Natural Climate Solutions (NCS) and REDD+ in Southeast Asia**

12:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

South Asia faces significant challenges from deforestation and natural degradation, driven by rapid economic growth. At the same time, the region has vast opportunities for scaling up NCS to reduce and remove carbon emissions. This session will explore financing strategies for NCS and REDD+, focusing on jurisdictional and project-based approaches. We’ll discuss how private finance, and carbon markets can help scale these efforts, addressing both the challenges and opportunities in mobilising capital for sustainable development and forest protection.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ Ellen Lourie, Director, NCS & Aviation - IETA

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Agus Sari, CEO - Landscape Indonesia

🗣️ Nainika Singh, NCS Portfolio Manager - Conservation International

🗣️ Malavika Prasanna, Policy Associate - Sylvera

🗣️ Carlos Trujillo, Chaiman – Cercarbono

🗣️ Vikash Sinha, Nature-Based Solutions Team Lead - ReNew

12:30 ● **Networking Lunch**

13:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee



13:30 ● **Side Event 11 Organised by ACX – National Environmental Exchanges in Emerging Markets: ACX’s Approach**

14:30 📍 Side Event Room - Studio 6

Join us as we explore the priorities shaping national environmental products trading platforms in emerging markets, and how ACX’s solution aims to align with and support their development.

**Presenter:**

👤 Xavier Pye, Business Development Lead, EMEA - ACX

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13:30 ● **Side Event 12 Organised by YC Holdings – Holding Mitigating CBAM and ESG Risk: Impacts and Solutions for SMEs**

14:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

Most domestic carbon pricing schemes cover only large emitters. However, as requirements (such as CBAM, EGS, etc.) for the global supply chain gain momentum, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are facing more carbon exposure risk. This side event explores the potential impacts and solutions for SMEs to mitigate such risk.

**Moderator:**

👤 Robert Shih, General Manager - YC Holdings

**Speakers:**

👤 Rick Cheng, Researcher - YC Holdings

👤 Alistair Ritchie, Director of Asia-Pacific Sustainability - Asia Society Policy Institute

👤 Takashi Hongo, Senior Fellow - Mitsui

👤 Han-Pang Su, Director - Taiwan Research Institute

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14:30 ● **Session Transition**

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14:40 ● **Breakout 7 – Potential of Digital Infrastructure: Creating Liquid and Transparent Markets**

15:30 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

This session will discuss digital infrastructure and tools, helping countries manage it, especially with the registry question salient for COP negotiations - and the markets understand it. Panelists will address Digital Monitoring-Reporting-Verification (DMRV) as well as how greater transparency of Article 6 transactions is created, and the possibilities it offers to solve industry issues such as double counting.

**Moderator:**

👤 Juan David Duran, CEO - Ecoregistry

**Speakers:**

👤 Jack Chong, Director, Environmental Solutions - S&P Global

👤 Umamaheswaran Krishnan, Article 6 and Carbon Pricing Regional Expert - UNFCCC-WGEO Regional Collaboration Center (RCC), MENA & South Asia

👤 Gemma Torres y Vives, Climate Change Officer - World Bank

👤 Svenja Telle, Director - Denominator

👤 Nadine Planzer, Environmental Market Business Development Director - SustainCERT



14:40 ● **Breakout 8 – Japan and the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM): Fostering Linkages Across Asia-Pacific and Beyond**

15:30 📍 Breakout Room - Ballroom 2

Several initiatives have been launched in Japan to enhance the role of carbon markets in the net-zero transition. This session will explore the next steps of Japan's Joint Crediting Mechanism, carbon pricing in Japan including the GX-ETS and linkages across Asia-Pacific.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ Takashi Hongo, Senior Fellow - Mitsui

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Norihiro Kimura, Deputy Director - METI, Japan

🗣️ Manabu Kido, General Manager - Sumitomo Corporation

🗣️ Phirun Saiyasitpanich, Director-General - Department of Climate Change and Environment (DCCE), Thailand

🗣️ Anuradha Kapoor, Senior Vice-President Policy - Reliance Industries

15:30 ● **Tea & Coffee Break**

16:00 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Pre-Function Area & Courtyard Marquee

16:00 ● **Plenary 9 – Financing Net-Zero: Mobilizing the Private Sector in Delivering the New Finance Goal**

17:00 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1

Climate finance is critical to support developing countries in their shift to greener, more resilient economies. This panel will explore the pathways to achieving the new climate finance goal (NCQG) set to be agreed upon at COP29 in Baku. We'll examine the pivotal role of mobilizing the private sector and carbon markets in driving this shift, with insights on India's stance and importance for the Asia-Pacific region.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

**Address:**

🗣️ Ajay Seth, State Secretary - Ministry of Finance, India

**Speakers:**

🗣️ Aditi Bhatia, Vice President, ESG Finance - MUFG Bank

🗣️ Abhishek Acharya, Director - Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Government of India

🗣️ Thomas Kerr, Lead Climate Change Specialist - World Bank

🗣️ Tripurari Prasad, Senior Investment Manager - Climate Asset Management

🗣️ Apurba Mitra, Partner, ESG - KPMG India

17:00 ● **High-level Closing Addresses**

17:15 📍 Plenary Room - Ballroom 1



## WHAT THE CARBON MARKET HAS TO SAY

"S&P Global Commodity Insights is your trusted provider of scalable, financial-grade infrastructure solutions that support the development and connection of carbon and environmental programs on a global scale. We look forward to ACS as the leading regional event bringing all key stakeholders of the Carbon Markets together."

 **Jonty Rushforth, Head of Environmental Solutions - S&P Global Commodity Insights**

"Thrilled to join ACS 2024 at a pivotal time for carbon markets in Asia. The forum is an exciting opportunity for us at ACX to engage with industry leaders across the region and give shape to potential regional cooperations arising out of Article 6."

 **Vishwajit Dahanukar, Director - ACX India**

"As a power business in Asia Pacific that is committed to achieving net-zero across its value chain, CLP supports IETA's efforts and events such the Asia Climate Summit to narrow the gaps for operationalising carbon markets and to strengthen guidance for high-integrity use of carbon credits."

 **Hendrik Rosenthal, Director Group Sustainability - CLP**

"Carbon markets are becoming more sophisticated, as expectations on offset quality increase and Art 6 creates a large web of country regulations. ReNew brings its expertise in developing large green infrastructure projects and standards of a Nasdaq-list group. We are proud to be a sponsor of ACS 2024 and look forward to networking."

 **Fabio Nehme, Senior EVP, Global Head of Carbon - ReNew**

"As the global carbon ratings agency, BeZero Carbon's project-based carbon ratings are at the vital intersection of Asia's fast-growing compliance and voluntary carbon markets. ACS provides an ideal platform to meet all key stakeholders in these markets."

 **Kirti Ramesh, Senior Director of Ratings Innovation - BeZero**

"We lead global efforts in carbon credit development, driving sustainable solutions for climate action. We're at the Asia Climate Summit to collaborate and accelerate the transition to net-zero economies."

 **Manish Dabkara, Chairman and Managing Director - EKI Energy Services**

"As pioneers in Carbon Management and Climate transactions, BNZ X empowers businesses globally to meet their sustainability goals. We're at ACS to foster collaboration and drive impactful climate solutions."

 **Neha Jain, Co-Founder - BNZ Green Technologies**

"Southeast Asia, and especially India has a great potential for participating in different ways in Carbon Markets. These countries are seeing Carbon Markets as an opportunity to change their economies. We look forward to networking and developing new business partnerships at ACS 2024."

 **Juan David, CEO - EcoRegistry**

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 **Pankaj Kumar, Managing Director - Enviance**

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 **Vikash Kumar Singh, Executive Director - Carbon Check India**

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 **Umang Agarwal, Head Carbon and Grow Mandi - Grow Indigo**

"Varaha is the largest nature-based carbon project developer in South & Southeast Asia, with a team of 150+, 15 projects across 4 countries, and more than 1 million removal credits sold. ACS offers a great platform to showcase our work and activities."

 **Madhur Jain, CEO & Co-Founder - Varaha**

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### Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action, Germany (BMWK)



The major trends of the 21st century, notably globalisation, digitisation, demographic change, recent developments within the EU, and the energy transition all represent major challenges for German business to tackle. If we are to successfully address these issues, we need to make our social market economy shipshape for the future. This is the over-arching task for the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action.

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ReNew brings its expertise in developing large green infrastructure projects, and the standards of a Nasdaq-listed group to the development of carbon offset projects with the needed quality to support corporates and governments in their netzero journeys. We are proud to support IETA's ACS in bringing the industry together to keep building a global and vibrant carbon market.

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### ACX



ACX (AirCarbon Exchange) Group is an award-winning environmental product exchange and technology group. It serves corporates, financial traders, carbon project developers, and other industry stakeholders, offering an efficient, transparent, and cost-effective trading platform that leverages distributed ledger technology to foster the growth of environmental product markets in line with global Net Zero goals.

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### Carbon Check India



Carbon Check, based in Delhi, has been a leading GHG Accredited Validation and Verification Body since 2012. We offer independent validation and verification for carbon/plastic credit projects globally. Accredited by major GHG programs, we manage over 1500 projects in 100+ countries. With 3 branches across India, and local presence across the globe, our team of professionals delivers top-tier certification, assurance, and training services.

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### Carbon Finance Labs



We are finance and technology professionals who want to be part of the climate change solution. We have worked in carbon finance, technology and commercial development. Our small team's impact comes from a global network of resources and applied knowledge built over decades in the carbon, finance and technology sectors.

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### The Good Rice Alliance (Bayer)

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### Varaha Climate

Varaha develops and scales regenerative agriculture, agroforestry, biochar, and enhanced weathering projects that remove carbon from the atmosphere and promote smallholder livelihoods, climate adaptation, biodiversity and water conservation. Founded in 2022, Varaha has reached more than 100,000 smallholders and has generated more than 2 million high-quality removal credits by 2024.

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### BNZ Green

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