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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to Baku, and to IETA's BusinessHub!

As we arrive in Azerbaijan for this year's climate negotiations, the world is beset with geopolitical uncertainty. More than half of the world's population has voted in elections this year, many of which betrayed an increasingly polarised political view of the world. Despite the impacts of uncertainty, volatility and polarisation, the global community has continued to advance its work to push back the threat of climate change.

This year's COP is being framed as a Finance COP, at which nations will need to agree on a new collective quantified goal for financial flows to developing countries. And while this is the biggest single agenda item in Baku, the COP will also be considering updated Nationally Determined Contributions for the period ending 2035 – these are the national climate targets that will inform the new carbon markets that are emerging.

We see carbon markets continuing to develop in every part of the world. We see more and more governments committing to leverage the power of markets to deploy finance where it is needed most.

IETA has had an extremely busy year, hosting events that have brought together governments and business to plot a course that leads to greater transparency, reliability and most of all, ambition in carbon markets. We're thankful that our members have worked tirelessly with us to share experiences in market development with so many stakeholders and interested parties.

We've been heartened by the amount of interest that governments are showing in carbon pricing, and by the rising number of countries that are busy establishing markets.

To be sure, these systems are being built in response to a number of different pressures. National carbon markets will not only represent part of national efforts to combat climate change, but also an engagement with the global effort that is being built under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. And they will also address the emerging climate/trade concerns embodied in new initiatives like Europe's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism.

And while national carbon markets emerge globally, the verified carbon market (VCM) continues to evolve. The last two years have not been easy for the VCM as it struggles to overcome controversies and negative media perception.

Stakeholders are making immense efforts to improve VCM governance and transparency, and the Integrity Council for the voluntary carbon market (ICVCM) has developed its Core Carbon Principles, which are now being applied to project methodologies.

We continue to believe that the VCM represents an essential waypoint on the journey to compliance markets. While voluntary corporate commitments are invaluable in helping build momentum, we remain convinced that only through mandated market participation will private climate finance reach its full potential. And compliance carbon markets are also evolving. The EU has completed its ambitious "Fit-for-55" programme, and is already starting to discuss how to set its 2040 target, with the Commission already suggesting a 90% target.

Regulators in California and the northeastern US are in the final stages of preparing reforms to their respective cap-and-trade systems, which will also see steeper targets.

The International Civil Aviation Organisation has also approved several new standards organisations that will unlock considerable new supply for its CORSIA market.

Linking all these markets is the UN's own Article 6 system. We were heartened by the Article 6.4 Supervisory Board's ambitious adoption of methodologies that will supply the new market. Should COP approve the decisions of the SB, then this year's COP may well be firing the starting pistol on a wave of ambitious climate commitments in new carbon trading systems.

We are delighted to welcome you to our BusinessHub, and look forward to fruitful conversations in the coming two weeks as we drive both inspiration and change.

Best,

Dirk Forrister
President & CEO
IETA

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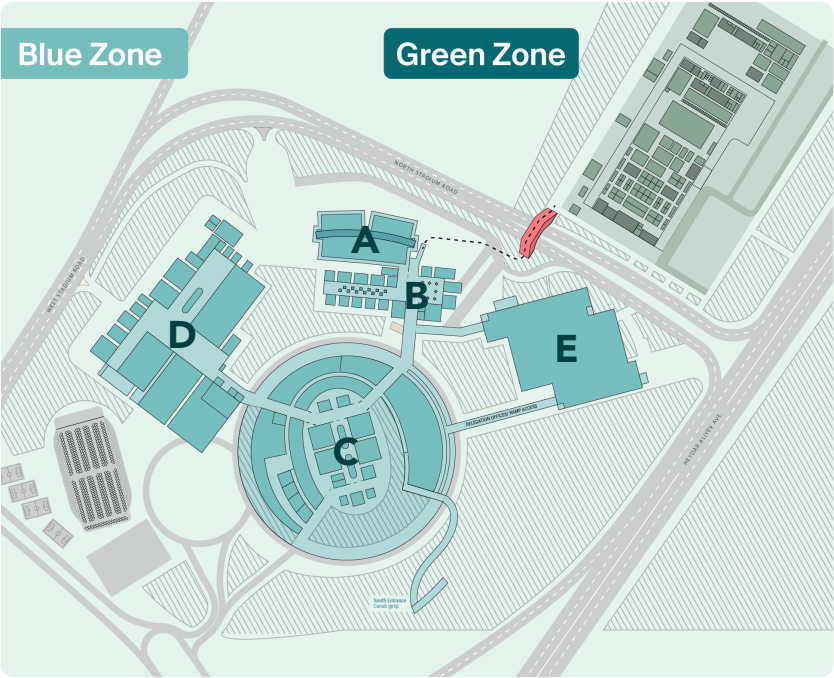
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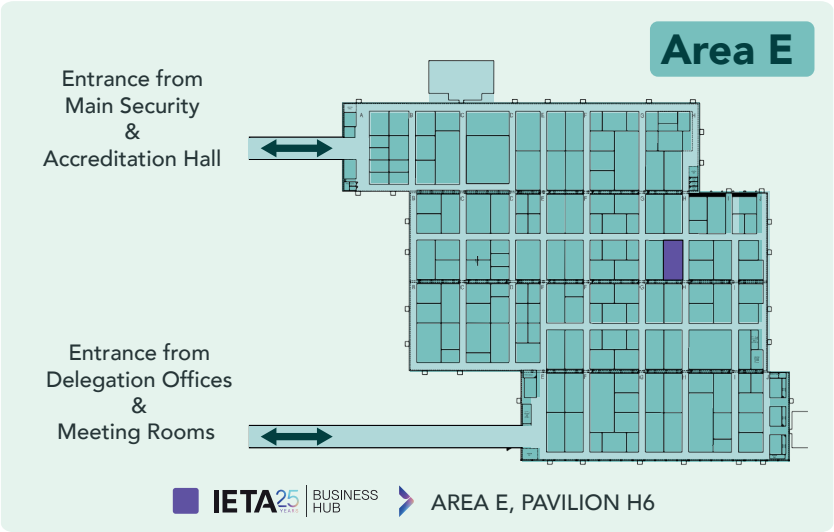
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THE FINANCE COP | IETA COP29 PRIORITIES

In the lead-up to COP29, the world continues to navigate complex geopolitical challenges, including the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and a new escalation in the Middle East. These tensions, coupled with an extremely polarised and uncertain US election, contribute to tense and fragmented political landscape. Moreover, over half of the world's population went to the polls in elections this year, adding to the political uncertainty. However, the impact of climate change continues to manifest more clearly with wildfires, floods, droughts, and heat waves worldwide highlighting the urgency of climate action.

Last year in Dubai, the Global Stocktake (GST) underscored the world's lag in meeting its climate objectives. This year, the COP29 presidency has been urging for the enhancement of ambition and enabling of action. In Baku, nations will have an opportunity to set a new global climate finance goal and strengthen their national climate commitments to put the world on track to achieve the Paris Agreement goals.

Against this backdrop, carbon markets continue to grow. Over the year, we have seen China's announcement to expand its national ETS to new sectors and important emerging economies such as Brazil, India, Chile, Colombia, Türkiye, and Vietnam advancing in domestic market implementation. Still, according to the World Bank, less than 1% of global emissions are covered by a carbon price at or above the range estimated to achieve the Paris Agreement goals.

On the voluntary side, we continue to see significant steps toward strengthening integrity and setting targets aligned with the Paris Agreement. Beyond the efforts of ICVCM and VCMI, the White House Voluntary Carbon Markets Joint Policy Statement and Principles, represented a major step towards clarifying expectations regarding the quality of credits in the market. However, persistent low public confidence, lack of strong and unified guidance from governments, lack of support from initiatives such as ISO and SBTi that can provide an actionable path for companies to meet corporate targets, and a challenging macroeconomic environment kept the voluntary carbon market volumes and investment stagnant.

Despite the tense geopolitical backdrop, there have been positive signs in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) negotiations. After the official launch of the Loss and Damage Fund at COP28, its governance structure was solidified over 2024, with the Philippines being selected to host its board, the establishment of collaborative ties with the World Bank, and the appointment of an Executive Director. Still, questions around transparency, resources, funders, time of commitments, and activities to finance remain open and will demand focused attention from negotiators at COP29.

With financing taking centre stage at COP29, the primary focus will be establishing the New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG) on Climate Finance, set to surpass the \$100 billion annual floor initially pledged by developed countries. Finalising Article 6 is ranked as the second highest priority by the COP29 Presidency, who has worked to secure consensus on this item since early in the year. Delegates are also expected to identify global adaptation indicators and provide additional guidance on how countries can set their National Adaptation Plans (NAPs).

We expect the negotiations on the NCQG to be very challenging. Developing nations are increasingly vocal in urging developed countries to fulfil and expand on previous commitments, while developed countries are pushing to broaden the base of contributors to include economically advanced emerging nations, such as China and Saudi Arabia. These longstanding divides are increased by the gap between the estimated quantum, which now ranges from \$500 billion to over \$1 trillion annually, and contentious questions that persist regarding who will contribute, the balance between public and private funding, and whether funds will come as grants or loans. For unlocking private finance, a success on Article 6 is an essential enabler.

The COP29 Presidency has emphasised that tackling the climate crisis requires collective action. It has launched an "Action Agenda" with nine initiatives and pledges to drive climate progress beyond formal negotiations. Key efforts include the Climate Finance Action Fund for voluntary contributions from fossil fuel producers, the Green Economic Zones and Corridors Pledge to boost regional sustainable development, and the Global Energy and Grids Pledge, aiming for a sixfold increase in global energy storage by 2030. European governments have also reaffirmed their commitment to pay \$100 billion annually to help developing countries cope with climate change.

Finally, COP29 will be the first supported by a Troika, a mechanism launched at COP28 that includes the current, previous, and incoming COP presidencies to guide and uphold momentum across conference cycles. With an impending update to Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) by 10 February 2025, the Troika has organised multiple high-level meetings over 2024 to promote action and increase ambition worldwide. However, some analysts have raised concerns over Troika members' plans to expand fossil fuel production and investment, questioning whether such a posture could heighten negotiation tensions, potentially challenging the Troika's efforts in fostering more ambitious climate commitments in Baku.

On the positive side, a success in Baku on the NCQG on Climate Finance and the Article 6 package could bolster countries efforts to set stronger NDCs, given the improved financial outlook from public finance and international carbon markets. Simply put, Baku's successes could set the stage for more ambitious NDCs for COP 30 in Brazil next year.

ARTICLE 6 IN THE NEGOTIATING ROOM

After two consecutive COPs falling short of fully operationalising Article 6, the pressure is mounting on negotiators and expectations are higher for carbon markets outcomes in Baku. The recent move by the Article 6.4 Supervisory Body (SBM) turning the recommendations on methodologies and removals that failed to be adopted in Dubai into standards has been a significant step, as it decreases the chances Article 6.4 operationalisation be blocked by technical details and can speed up the process. Still, some Parties and stakeholders have raised governance concerns with the SBM's process, which may result in difficult talks in Baku.

Broad recognition that further guidance on the already operational Article 6.2 is needed to enhance market transparency, build confidence and scale up engagement may increase the chances of an agreement that can strengthen international climate cooperation. The COP29 Presidency will play a key facilitating role in mediating long-standing and deeply held divergent views on the nature of Article 6.2 approaches. Such pressures and activism from the Azerbaijani Presidency led to higher level engagement throughout the year.

Heads of Delegation (HoD) have met to discuss outstanding Article 6 issues multiple times throughout the year, both formally during SB60 in Bonn as well as in informal bilateral and multilateral meetings. Furthermore, for the first time since COP26, ministerial level talks are scheduled in Baku, with Ms Grace Fu from Singapore and Mr Simon Watts from New Zealand appointed as ministerial cofacilitator.

Below is a summary of key Article 6 topics under discussion and IETA's position on each of them as described in our Article 6 Position Briefs.

- **Authorisation** – After discussions on this topic at COP27 and COP28 led to no outcome, Parties are hoping to agree on guidance regulating the process and content of authorisations, as well as the scope for changes to and revocations of previously granted authorisations. Calls by some Parties to restrict the scope of unilateral authorisation through a definition of cooperative approach seem to have subsided. For A6.4ERs, there are issues regarding timing, changes and the treatment units issued by the mechanism without an authorisation statement by the host Party.

IETA strongly advocates streamlining authorisations by adopting standardised procedures, forms and templates, as well as addressing multiple elements in a single process where possible and relevant. We also support the provision of authorisation as early as possible in the project lifecycle and limiting changes and revocation to exceptional circumstances, well-defined in advance. Finally, it is key to ensure that new guidance does not negatively impact existing cooperative approaches and authorisations.

- **The Article 6.2 international registry** – Parties are required to have access to a registry to participate in cooperative approaches and existing 6.2 guidance states that an international registry run by the UNFCCC must be established for Parties who wish to use it for their activities under Article 6.2. Whether such a registry would allow for the issuance and transaction of ITMOs (transaccional model), or just for the tracking of aggregate information (pulling-and-viewing model) remains a very contentious matter. IETA believes that neither option (transaccional or pulling-and-viewing) would significantly alter the quality or scale of Article 6 markets as Parties and crediting programmes may avail themselves of existing tools such as the Climate Action Data Trust (CAD Trust) to support transparency and integrity. However, we share concerns about whether the UNFCCC oversight of connected national programmes with the Article 6.2 registry might become duplicative and inefficient. Ultimately, market participants and buyers (both sovereign and corporate) will have to define their own criteria for assessing the integrity of the ITMOs they wish to procure under Article 6.2.
- **First transfer, sequencing, review, addressing inconsistencies** – Existing guidance contains a complex hierarchy of timelines and rules for authorisations, the issuance and transfer of ITMOs, the application of corresponding adjustments, as well as reporting and review of information. While most of these concepts were specified in previous decisions, there are still several outstanding issues that Parties were unable to agree upon at COP28.

In relation to first transfer, IETA believes that Parties should:

- clarify the relevant trigger for first transfer in the authorisation of the cooperative approach and include this information in the initial report;
- define first transfer consistently across all Parties participating in a specific cooperative approach, but not necessarily for all cooperative approaches for which a Party participates;
- avoid defining first transfer as the use or cancellation of ITMOs as such a definition may render the tracking of ITMOs overly complex and undermine the integrity of the cooperative approach; and
- provide guidance on how first transfer is defined if an ITMO is authorised for both NDC and other international mitigation purposes (OIMP).

IETA also believes strong transparency can be achieved without imposing undue restrictions to the trading of ITMOs between Parties and entities. For this reason, we do not believe it is necessary for the review of the initial report to be finalised before ITMOs can be authorised and traded. Registries and the UNFCCC Article 6 database should clearly flag when an ITMO is associated with a pending review, identified as inconsistent. Actions in case of significant and persistent inconsistencies should be identified to ensure market well-functioning and trust.

Finally, IETA urges Parties to rapidly adopt a detailed template for annual report (Agreed Electronic Format, or AEF) to underpin transparency in international carbon markets and provide clear guidance to Parties.

- **Adoption of SBM recommendations** – Endorsement of the work of the SBM by Parties at COP29 is of utmost importance as it underpins the full operationalisation of the Article 6.4 mechanism (now renamed Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism, or PACM), especially with regard to the development of new activities and the broader process of “Paris alignment” of carbon markets. We call on all Parties to avoid further politicisation of the technical considerations of the SBM and allow the SBM to swiftly move ahead with the outstanding element necessary to operationalise the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM).

ARTICLE 6 IN THE REAL WORLD

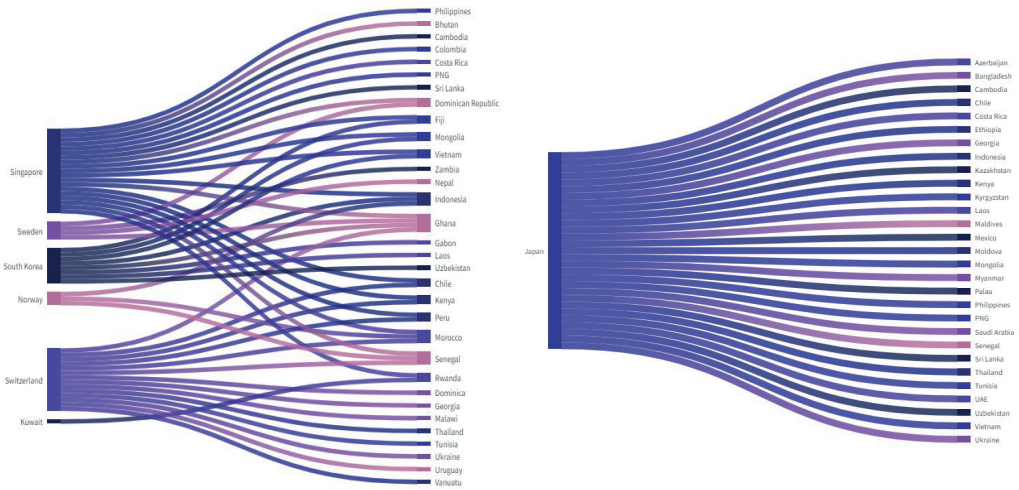
In line with a trend observed since the agreement at COP26, countries are progressively engaging in Article 6.2 cooperative approaches. Over the last 12 months, several new bilateral agreements were signed, more than a dozen letters of authorisation (LOAs) were granted, the first ITMO transfer between Switzerland and Thailand was completed, and six Parties submitted their first initial reports to the UNFCCC. IETA tracks and analyses these bilateral agreements and LOAs and publishes various visual tracking tools on our website.

We observe that the number of Host Country unilateral authorisations far outweigh the number of bilateral agreements between two Parties to the Paris agreement. We have tracked five bilateral authorisations and more than 20 unilateral authorisations issued by host Country to private company. As some unilateral authorisations are kept confidential and not immediately reported to the UNFCCC, there might be additional ones IETA is not aware of. The majority of authorisations are from African host Countries – only two are from the Middle East, two from Latin America, one from Asia, and one from Oceania. We also observe that almost 70% of all authorised projects are cookstove projects. To mitigate country risk, some project developers have diversified by having LOAs in multiple countries.

From our analysis of the content of LOA, we find that there is wide variation in the type and number of clauses – with some being very simple, while others having extensive terms and conditions. We also note that some Parties have imposed a diverse array of conditions such as fees, profit sharing arrangements, contributions to the Adaptation Fund, cancellations for overall mitigation of global emissions (OMGE) and retention of a share of the mitigation benefits for domestic use. We expect the number of bilateral agreements and LOAs to expand considerably with announcements at COP29 as well as throughout 2025, especially if a positive outcome is achieved in Baku.

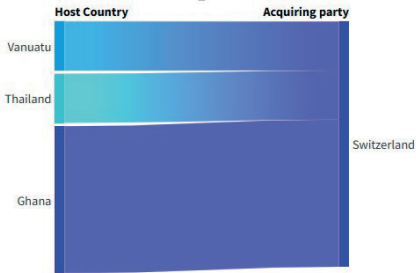
International Cooperative Approaches Detailed Landscape

Type of Cooperative Approach **A6.2 Bilateral Agreements or MOUs** Cooperation under the JCM

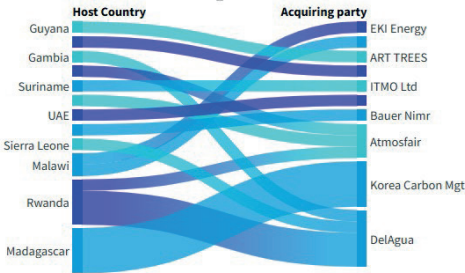


LOA Tracker

Type of Authorisation **All** Bilateral Authorisation Unilateral Authorisation



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MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER

9:00-17:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee	SE1: LS
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TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER

9:00-17:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee	SE2: AK
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13:00-14:30 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	The State of Article 6 the Article 6 Negotiations	SE3: AB
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Organised by: After the setback at COP28 last year, expectations about Article 6 negotiations are high. A positive outcome at COP29 could boost confidence in international carbon markets and trigger large flows of private investment. However, significant differences remain between Parties about the nature of the nascent Article 6 market. We will discuss what is at stake and what it means with a distinguished panel of negotiators and representatives of the business community.

Moderator:
 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA

Speakers:
 Simon Fellermeier, Article 6 Negotiator - Switzerland
 Helen Finney, Article 6 Negotiator & 6.4 SBM Member - United Kingdom
 Mbaye Diagne, Article 6 Negotiator & 6.4 SBM Member - Senegal / Africa Group of Negotiators
 Adriana Lisette Gutierrez Bayona, Article 6 Negotiator - Colombia / AILAC

14:30-15:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Scaling Demand for Tomorrow's Clean Technologies

SE4: LS

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The First Movers Coalition aims to create early demand for breakthrough clean technologies to decarbonize heavy-emitting sectors. Since its inception, more than 100 companies have joined and made 125 advance purchase commitments, creating an unprecedented \$16 billion in aggregated demand by 2030

Welcome Remarks:

Pedro Gomez, Head of Climate and Member of the Executive Committee - World Economic Forum

Opening Address:

Senior Representative, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water - Government of Australia

Moderator:

Rich Lesser, Global Chair - Boston Consulting Group

Speakers:

Andreas Enger, Chief Executive Officer - Höegh Autoliners

Annika Ramsköld, Chief Sustainability Officer - Vattenfall
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Closing Remarks:

Pedro Gomez, Head of Climate and Member of the Executive Committee - World Economic Forum

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IETA BusinessHub Welcome Cocktail Reception

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WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER

8:00-19:00
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IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee

SE6: AK

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9:00-10:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Next Generation NDCs: Opportunities for Public Private Action

SE7: LS

Organised by:



The Global Stocktake shows that current Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) only provide for approximately 5% emissions reductions by 2030 – far short of the 43% needed. Next-generation NDCs can help catalyse the systemic transformations needed to reach net zero, while driving growth, competitiveness, and the future green workforce.

Moderator:

Rich Lesser, Global Chair - Boston Consulting Group (BCG)

Speakers:

- 👤 Ana Toni, National Secretary for Climate Change - Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Brazil
- 👤 Karin Svensson, Chief Sustainability Officer - Volvo Group
- 👤 Ulrik Stridbaek, Vice-President, Head of Regulatory & Public Affairs - Ørsted
- 👤 Jim Andrew, Executive Vice-President & Chief Sustainability Officer - PepsiCo

10:00-11:30

IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

The Article 6 Host Country Perspective: Ready to Go?

SE8: LS

Organised by:



At the latest Art. 6.4 Supervisory Body meeting, key documents intended to make the mechanism operational were adopted. Implementation of A6.4 activities is therefore within reach. This side event discusses host countries' readiness and capacity building needs at this turning point. The event will allow stakeholders to share experiences and provide a basis for peer-to-peer exchange.

Moderator:

- 👤 Christof Arens, Senior Researcher, Energy, Transport and Climate Policy - Wuppertal Institute



Speakers:

- 👤 Ousmane Fall Sarr, Coordinator - West African Alliance for Carbon Markets
- 👤 Adriana Lizette Gutierrez Bayona, Environmental Consultant - Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible, Government of Colombia
- 👤 Malin Ahlberg, Deputy Director, Division KC3, International Financing of the Transformation, International Market Mechanisms - Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (BMWK), Germany
- 👤 Marshall Brown, Program Manager, IKI-SPAR6C (Supporting Preparedness for Article 6 Cooperation) Program - Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI)
- 👤 Florian Eickhold, Climate Finance and Environmental Markets Expert - atmosfair
- 👤 Nicolas Kreibich, Senior Researcher, Energy, Transport and Climate Policy - Wuppertal Institute

11:30-13:00

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What Business Wants from Article 6: Launch of the IETA-A6IP Art. 6 Business Pulse Survey

SE9: BF

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Join the launch of the 1st Article 6 Business Pulse Survey conducted by IETA and the Article 6 Implementation Partnership (A6IP). As Article 6 moves from negotiations to implementation, the private sector could mobilise billions in finance flows and investment. But what is required to unlock it? What is the global business community expecting from the nascent international carbon markets? A panel of government officials and experts will comment the findings of the survey.

Moderator & Scene-Setting:

- 👤 Björn Fondén, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Supanut Chotevitayatarakorn, Program Manager - Article 6 Implementation Partnership Center
- 👤 Cristina Figueroa, Climate Negotiation Specialist - Ministry of Environment, Chile
- 👤 Daniel Benefoh, Acting Director, Climate Change Unit - Environmental Protection Agency, Ghana
- 👤 Chris Leeds, Head of Carbon Markets Development - Standard Chartered
- 👤 Janet Hallows, Director Climate Programs & Nature-Based Solutions - Carbon Markets Institute (CMI)
- 👤 Molly Peters-Stanley, Lead Negotiator on International Carbon Markets - U.S. Department of State
- 👤 Allyson Anderson, Chief Sustainability Officer - Baker Hughes

12:00-13:30
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SE10: AK

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13:00-14:30
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Side Event Room

Connecting the Dots Between Policymakers in the Global South and International Private Sector

SE11: PV

Organised by:



This panel will examine the role of carbon markets and public-private partnerships in advancing sustainable development in the Global South. Policymakers and private sector leaders will discuss regional policy harmonization, risk-reducing financial innovations, and investment strategies to foster high-integrity carbon market frameworks and scale climate action.

Moderator:

Pedro Venzon, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- Massandje Touré-Litsé, Commissioner for Economic Affairs and Agriculture - ECOWAS
- Bernard Koffi, Director of the Environment - ECOWAS
- Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA
- Emma van de Ven, Strategy Lead - Acorn - Rabobank
- Berioska Quispe, General Director of Climate Change and Desertification - Ministry of Environment, Peru

13:30-15:00
IETA BusinessHub
Boardroom

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SE12: AK

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15:30-17:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Building High-Integrity Carbon Markets: The Future of Secure, Interoperable Registry Infrastructure

SE14: LS

Organised by:



A well-structured and high-integrity carbon market is essential for mobilizing critical financing for climate action, particularly in developing countries. Achieving this scale requires secure, efficient, and interoperable infrastructure that supports the growth and reliability of these markets. This session will explore the key strategies and technologies that registries must implement to ensure transparency, integrity, and trust across carbon market transactions.

Moderator:

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

Speakers:

- Hania Dawood, Manager, Climate Finance & Economics - World Bank
- David Sturt, Manager, Carbon Market Infrastructure - Verra
- Tommy Ricketts, CEO - BeZero Carbon
- Nathalie Flores, Vice-Chair - UN Climate Change Science & Technology Body (SBSTA)

18:00-19:30
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International Aspects of Using Carbon Removals as Assets for Decarbonization Efforts

SE16: AK

Organised by:

ERCST

European Roundtable on
Climate Change and
Sustainable Transition



Join this side event co-hosted by ERCST and KAPSARC, that will discuss the international carbon market dimensions of carbon removals. Some of the issues that will be covered include:

- Paris Agreement Mechanisms: Role of carbon removals, particularly under Article 6.2 and Article 6.4
- Integration in Emissions Trading Systems: Explore conditions for the integration of carbon removal from the international markets in ETS around the world
- Bilateral Agreements: Evaluation of bilateral agreements focusing on legal frameworks, mutual recognition of credits, storage agreements

Moderator:

 Andrei Marcu, Executive Director - ERCST

Speakers:

 Axel Pierru, Vice President of Knowledge and Analysis - KAPSARC

 Chandra Sinha, Adviser in the Office of the Director of the Climate Change Group - World Bank

 Jan-Willem van de Ven, Head of International Climate Policy and Engagement - EBRD

 Ane Gjengedal, Advisor, Climate Change and Emissions to Air Section - Ministry of Energy, Norway

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER

9:00-19:00
IETA BusinessHub
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IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee

SE17: AK

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9:30-10:30
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CCS+ Framework: A Modular “Plug-and-Play” Approach for CCS Project Activity

SE18: LS

Organised by:



Verra has released the CCS+ Framework Methodology and the first 3 modules (DAC, Transport and Storage in saline aquifer and depleted hydrocarbon reservoirs) for DAC project developers to register their projects for carbon credit generation. CCS+ Initiative is planning to release many more modules in the coming year to firm up the modular “plug-and-play” approach for your CCS project activity. Join and listen in on our panel discussion and learn more on the work and ambition of CCS+ Initiative!

Moderator:

Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

Mandy Rambharos, CEO - Verra

William Barrett, Vice President, Product Development - 1PointFive

Paul Zakkour, Director - Carbon Counts

Paulien Veen, Head of Carbon Market Mechanisms - Perspectives Climate Group

10:30-11:30
IETA BusinessHub
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Crediting Standards Collaboration: Standard Setters Initiative

SE19: LS

Organised by:



This session brings together leading international carbon crediting standards, which have formed a collaboration that enhances transparency and consistency across the evolving standards ecosystem to help scale, and channels VCM finance flows in the Global South. The standards will share highlights of the initiative and latest updates promoting scale and integrity in carbon markets.

Moderator:

David Ungar, Managing Director - Carbon Finance Lab

Speakers:

Mary Grady, Executive Director, ACR & CEO, Environmental Resources Trust

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

Kishor Rajhansa, Chief Operations Officer - Global Carbon Council

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

11:30-12:15
IETA BusinessHub
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Financing Carbon Management Projects

SE20: AK

Organised by:



Carbon capture and storage (CCS) is a critical technology needed to reduce emissions from carbon intensive industries. The business case for CCS continues to strengthen but greater participation from private capital would facilitate project deployment at scale. This event will provide perspectives on global CCS activity to date including the outcomes of enabling policies around the world, and what more is needed to further accelerate CCS deployment.

Moderator:

Guloren Turan, Chief Impact Officer - Global CCS Institute

Speakers:

- Marie Freier, Co-Head of Energy Transition Banking, EMEA - Barclays
- Pavan Chilukuri, Vice President, Group Head of CCUS - Holcim
- Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA
- J.P. Brisson, Partner - Latham & Watkins
- Yukimi Shimura, Director - MUFG

12:15-13:00
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Scaling up CCS in the Global South

SE21: AK

Organised by:



Momentum around carbon capture and storage (CCS) as a climate solution is taking off globally, including in the global South. Emerging economies with booming industrial hubs are turning to CCS technologies as a tool to support national and regional climate action goals. This event will unpack the latest developments, knowledge sharing opportunities, financing needs and international collaboration.

Moderator:

Ellina Levina, Global Head of Public Affairs - Global CCS Institute

Speakers:

- Zhang Xian, Director - ACCA21, China
- Zakaria Elbagari, Head of Climate Action Portfolio - OCP Group, Morocco
- Sadesh Sookraj, Global Decarbonization Advisor - International Finance Corporation
- Tba - Africa Development Bank

13:00-14:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Corporate Road to Net-Zero: From Science to Reality

SE22: LP

Organised by:



Reaching net zero requires the commitment of the private sector to align with the Paris Agreement. Companies are applying different frameworks to set interim and long-term science-aligned targets to decarbonize as fast and efficiently as possible. Challenges and barriers to take action however limits the speed at which these targets can be achieved. Flexible and actionable frameworks are required to align science with reality in light of the ultimate goals of the Paris Agreement. This event will gather key stakeholders designing and applying frameworks to reach net zero at the organization level to explore solutions to align science with reality.




Moderator:

Luis Panichelli, VCM Director - IETA

Scene Setting Presentation:

Hania Dawood, Practice Manager, Climate Finance & Economics - World Bank

Speakers:

-  Lorna Ritchie, Director of Public Affairs - ICVCM
-  Mark Kenber, Executive Director - VCMII
-  Oliver Geden, Senior Fellow, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) & IPCC Working Group III

13:00-14:30
IETA BusinessHub
Boardroom

S&P Global Commodity Insights Invite Only Meta Registry Workshop Demo

SE23: AK

Organised by:

 **S&P Global**
Commodity Insights

14:30-15:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Financing the Blue-Green Transition: Making Markets Work for Adaptation

SE24: LS

Organised by:



The panel discussion delves into how mitigation finance derived through nature-based solutions can drive adaptation initiatives for networks at scale. It will explore how developing robust value chains, market linkages, and sustainable livelihoods can create strengthened involvement with participating communities for long-term resilience by tapping into newfound economic pathways.

Moderator:

 Sandeep Roy Choudhury, Co-Founder & Director - Value Network Ventures (VNV)

Speakers will include representatives from Korea Investment & Securities (KIS), Climate Asset Management, Standard Chartered Bank, Verra and Gold Standard.

14:30-16:00
IETA BusinessHub
Boardroom

CarbonPool Private Roundtable - Insurance: How it can Mitigate Carbon Market Risks for Buyers, Investors and Developers

SE25: AK

Organised by:



To join please contact Nandini Wilcke, nandini@carbonpool.earth

15:30-17:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Meeting Net Zero: The Challenge of Increased Electricity Demand

SE26: LS

Organised by:



The power sector leads the world in reducing carbon emissions. However, the rapid growth of electricity demand presents unique challenges to meeting decarbonization goals while maintaining affordability and reliability. Hear from CEOs and senior executives from power companies and large energy consumers on how they are navigating these challenges.





Moderator:

 Eric Holdsworth, Director, Climate Programs - Edison Electric Institute (EEI)

Keynote Address:


 Pedro Pizarro, President & CEO - Edison International

Speakers:

-  Katherine Neebe, Senior Vice President of National Engagement and Strategy & Chief Sustainability and Philanthropy Officer - Duke Energy
-  Neil Wilmshurst, Chief Nuclear Strategy Officer & Managing Director - Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
-  Roger Martella, Chief Sustainability Officer & Head of Government Affair - GE Vernova
-  Mars Hanna, Head of Sustainability & Climate Policy - Google
-  Mark Berry, Senior Vice President of Research and Development - Southern Company

17:00-18:00 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	North America Carbon Market & Cooperation Round-Up	SE27: AK
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Organised by:

 Join IETA for its annual COP round-up of where things stand – and where they could be going – on carbon markets across North America! We'll hear from experts who designing or operating across this hyper-evolving regional landscape. Leave the session not only with a better understanding of North America market activity and outlooks for 2025, but also how many players are increasingly collaborating on cross-regional system alignment.

Moderator:

-  Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

-  Nico van Aelstyn, Partner - SheppardMullin
-  Lisa DeMarco, CEO & Senior Founding Partner - Resilient
-  Kel Coulson, Director of Policy - Carbon Engineering
-  Jackie Mercer, Program Manager, Environment and Climate Change Canada - Government of Canada
-  Tba - California Government

18:00-20:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	Invest Québec International Cocktail Reception	SE28: AK
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Organised by:



FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER

8:00-18:00
IETA BusinessHub
Lounge

IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee

SE29: AK

Organised by:



8:00-9:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

IETA COP29 Media Briefing

SE30: AV

Organised by:



Senior IETA staff will give an update on the state of the negotiations, with particular emphasis on the Article 6 work stream. Media are also invited to contact IETA for news of any ad-hoc briefings that may take place during the course of the COP - press@ieta.org.

Facilitator:

Alessandro Vitelli, Communications Advisor - IETA

Presenter:

Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

9:00-10:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

ACCIONA Invite Only Breakfast Briefing on Operationalizing Article 6 and Latest Updates on the Ongoing Negotiations

SE31: AK

Organised by:



Since operationalizing Article 6 is a major topic on the negotiation agenda, this breakfast session will provide an overview of the current state of Article 6, highlighting its main challenges, specific areas of negotiation, and expected outcomes following the COP29 discussions.

Presenters:

Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

Andrea Bonzanni, Director, International Policy - IETA

10:00-11:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Direct Air Capture (DAC) at Scale: Decarbonization Solutions for Hard to Abate Sectors

SE32: LS

Organised by:



This session will address decarbonization solutions for hard to abate sectors, and the key role DAC at scale plays in decarbonization strategies. The panel will also share latest updates on the development of the largest DAC plant to date - Stratos.

Introductory Remarks & Moderator:

Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

Steve Kelly, President - 1PointFive

William Barrett, Vice President, Product Development - 1PointFive

David Ungar, Managing Director - Carbon Finance Lab

Ilaria Parrella, Executive Director, Emissions Abatement - Baker Hughes

11:30-13:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Advancing Carbon Market Integrity for People and the Planet

SE33: LP

Organised by:



Join us for a dynamic discussion that unites public and private sector leaders and non-state actors, to explore the future of high-integrity carbon markets and their role in driving climate action. We'll discuss how ambitious climate goals, investor confidence, evolving policy frameworks, and impactful partnerships are shaping compliance and voluntary markets while ensuring their benefits for people and the planet.



Moderator:

 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

Speakers:

 Secretary Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection - State of California, USA

 Patricia Zurita, Chief Strategy Officer - Conservation International

 Lord Alok Sharma, Member of House of Lords - U.K. Government

 Frederick Teo, CEO - GenZero

 Doris Honold, Board Member - Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM)

12:30-14:00
IETA BusinessHub
Boardroom

TotalEnergies Private Lunch

SE34: AK

Organised by:



13:00-14:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Just Energy Transition: Carbon Market to Finance Early Retirement of Coal-Fired Power Plants with Renewables

SE35: LS

Organised by:



Moderator:

 Tba

Speakers:


 Tba

14:30-16:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Unlocking Net-Zero: The Role of Carbon Dioxide Removals

SE36: LS

Organised by:







This session will focus on improving awareness of how to implement CDR within corporate net-zero strategies, particularly in organizations with limited exposure to carbon markets to date - and grow voluntary demand base for CDR today, to support a well-functioning market with sufficient high-quality volumes in 2030 and beyond. It will address driving transparency and partnership between global organizations committed to net zero, and deepening the understanding of ESG regulation that will impact private organization pre-2030.

Moderator:

 Frederic Gagnon-Lebrun, Global Senior Director, Climate Policy and Strategy - South Pole

Speakers:

-  Jamey Mulligan, Head of Carbon Neutralization Science & Strategy - Amazon
-  Steve Kelly, President & General Manager - 1PointFive
-  Tatsuro Watanabe, Chief Environment and Sustainability Officer - Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, MOL Group
-  Amy Merrill, CEO - ICVCM

16:00 - 17:30

IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Scaling Large-Scale Methane Mitigation Through Market-Based Approaches

SE37: AK

Organised by:






To scale up climate impact with integrity, new thinking, approaches and solutions are required. Bringing together thought leaders delivering global-scale climate impact, this session will cover initiatives in the area of methane mitigation that are leveraging cutting edge technology to deliver climate action that can scale faster with increased integrity through market-based approaches.

Moderator:

 Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

-  Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas - Government of Alberta, Canada
-  Yvan Champagne, Founder & Chief Carbon Officer - CarbonAi
-  Talal Debs, Founder & CEO - Zefiro Methane

20:30-23:30

Downtown Baku

COP29 IETA 25th Anniversary Nightcap Party

SE38: LS

Organised by:

Separate paid ticket required for entrance, to be purchased online on www.ieta.org COP 29 Section



SATURDAY 16 NOVEMBER

11:00-17:00

IETA BusinessHub
Lounge

IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee

SE39: AK

Organised by:



11:30-13:00
UNFCCC Side
Event Room 7,
COP29 Blue Zone

Protecting Tropical Forests Through Carbon Markets

SE40: PV

Organised by:



This side event explores the role of high-integrity carbon markets in reducing deforestation, restoring ecosystems and protecting biodiversity, sharing fair benefits and respecting IPLCs' perspectives. Key stakeholders will discuss how ETs, VCM and A6 can finance nature and sustainable development.

Moderator:

André Guimarães, Executive Director - IPAM

Scene Setting Presentation:

Beatriz Granziera, Senior Policy Advisor - The Nature Conservancy

Speakers:

Frances Seymour, Forests Advisor - Office of the U.S. Special Presidential Envoy for Climate

Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

Marcello Brito, Executive Director - CAL

Roselyn Fosuah Adjee, REDD+ Focal Point - Forestry Commission of Ghana

Buddha Ghartee, Senior Vice-Chairperson - Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (NEFIN)

Carol Burga, Director - Emergent

12:00-13:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Invite Only Roundtable on Contribution Claims

SE41: AK

Organised by:



13:30-15:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

From a Holistic Perspective Towards Just Transition: The Key Role of Environmental Markets in Latin America

SE42: LP

Organised by:



Adopting a holistic approach that emphasizes the importance of capacity building under Article 12 of the Paris Agreement, this panel will explore the challenges and opportunities for implementing Nature-Based Solutions in Latin America. Addressing the climate crisis requires building bridges among all sectors to ensure an inclusive transition that prioritizes the voices and needs of local communities. Environmental markets play a pivotal role in fostering a just and effective transition, and this panel will examine financial instruments that can accelerate climate action while promoting sustainable development and biodiversity conservation across the LAC region.

Moderator:

Patricio Lombardi, Executive Director - Environmental Markets Fairness Foundation (EMFF)

Speakers:

Emilce Cuda, Secretary of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America - Holy See

Liliana Paniagua, Redes Chaco, Gran Chaco - Americano Umbrella Group of Civil Society Organisations

Silvana Coria, Planning and Control Manager - Edenor

Rocio Sanz Cortes, Executive Vice President, Origination, Emergent Forest Finance Accelerator - LEAF Coalition

MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER

9:00-17:00
IETA BusinessHub
Lounge

IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee

SE43: BM

Organised by:



13:00-14:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Accelerating Clean Energy Access Under the Paris Agreement: The Role of Cookstoves

SE44: LP

Organised by:



Clean energy access is a key element in navigating the transition to net-zero pathways aligned with the Paris Agreement. Cookstoves projects have the potential to accelerate this process promoting sustainable development. This side event will gather demand and supply stakeholders to build the case for clean cookstoves including mitigation potential, access to energy for all, methodologies in progress, avoidance of deforestation, and social, economic and environmental co-benefits as well as key challenges and opportunities to scale the market in line with the Paris Agreement.

Moderator:

Luis Panichelli, VCM Director - IETA

Scene Setter:

Luca Lo Re, Environment and Climate Change Analyst - IEA

Speakers :

Jinah Choi, Team Lead Emissions Trading - Ecoeye

Shenelly De Silva, Climate Project Manager - ACT Commodities

Pearl Nkusi, Senior Climate Change Specialist - Rwanda Environment Management Authority

Suraj Vanniarachchy, Commodities and Global Markets - Macquarie Bank

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

13:00-16:00
Downtown Baku

IETA Council Meeting

SE45: LS

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14:30 - 16:00
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Reducing SF6 Emissions

SE45.1 LS

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Session lead:

Anne Glaeser, Climate Policy Advisor - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

16:00-17:30
IETA BusinessHub
Side Event Room

Peru Launching of the RENAMI Regulation on Carbon Markets

SE46: BM

Organised by:



During this session, the Government of Peru will launch the provisions for the operation of the National Registry for Mitigation Initiatives (RENAMI), which is an important step to regulate the development of projects in the country and establish the framework for ITMOS transactions under Art. 6 of the Paris Agreement. Join this session to understand how Peru is moving forward in developing enabling conditions to boost carbon markets.

DAILY PROGRAM - 19 NOVEMBER

Moderator:
👤 Luis Panichelli, VCM Director - IETA

Welcome & Introduction:
👤 Rogelio Campos, Technical Specialist, General Directorate for Climate Change and Desertification - Ministry of Environment (MINAM), Peru

Speakers:
👤 Joachim Sell, Director Carbon Procurement - Klik Foundation
👤 Suraj Vanniarachchy, Vice President Global Carbon - Macquarie
👤 Tba - Microsol

Closing Remarks:
👤 Raquel Soto Torres, Vice Minister Strategic Development of Natural Resources - Ministry of Environment (MINAM), Peru

16:00-16:30 Downtown Baku	IETA Annual General Meeting Meet & Greet Welcome Coffee	SE47: LS
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16:30-18:00 Downtown Baku	IETA Annual General Meeting	SE48: LS
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18:00-20:00 Downtown Baku	IETA Members & US Delegation Cocktail Reception By invitation only.	SE49: LS
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TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER

8:00-17:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee	SE50: BM
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8:30-10:0 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	The Good Rice Alliance (TGRA) & Bayer Breakfast Roundtable	SE51: BM
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Methane emissions from paddy cultivation account around 10% of global non-CO₂ emissions, while irrigated paddy farming also contributes to global water scarcity, consuming over 30% of the world's freshwater. TGRA is addressing these challenges by empowering farmers across India to adopt climate-smart practices such as Alternate Wetting and Drying (AWD) and Direct Seeded Rice (DSR). Supported by a robust Total Quality Management (TQM) system, TGRA ensures consistent, high-quality implementation, driving significant reductions in methane emissions, improving water use efficiency, and boosting climate resilience.

Moderator:

Suhas Joshi, India Carbon Initiative Lead, Bayer Group & Lead, The Good Rice Alliance

Speakers:

Rui Huang, Vice President, Investment Group - GenZero

Hiroyuki Arakawa, Head of NBS Investments - Mitsubishi Corporation

12:00-13:00 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	The Policy Paradigm: Decoding the Government - Climate - Community Angle Through the Carbon Markets Lens	SE52: BM
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Organised by:



This panel will address how national policies can catalyse carbon market growth, strengthen multistakeholder networks and unlock foreign investments through participation in international markets. It will emphasize how integrated policy development can support countries' mitigation strategies beyond NDCs, thereby contributing to a sustainable SDG nexus, fostering long lasting inclusive climate strategies.

Moderator:

Sandeep Roy Choudhury, Co-Founder & Director - Value Network Ventures (VNV)

This panel will include Government Representative from Africa, the Asia Pacific Region. the World Bank and Verra and Gold Standard.

13:00-14:30 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	The Variety of Carbon Pricing	SE53: BM
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Organised by:



A variety of countries will share insights on their carbon pricing instrument design and lessons learned from the process of adjusting their policy to local contexts. Participants will cover emissions trading and carbon taxes in diverse sectors and across different geographies.

Moderator:

Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director for the Environment Directorate & Coordinator for Climate and Green Finance - OECD

This high-level panel will include senior representatives from the Government of the United Kingdom, Denmark, Democratic Republic of Congo, European Union, and South Korea.

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER

9:00-17:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee	SE54: BM
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Organised by:

IETA BusinessHub is opened, tho there are no sessions occurring on this day.



THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER

9:00-17:00 IETA BusinessHub Lounge	IETA Welcome Tea & Coffee	SE55: BM
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10:00-11:00 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	IETA COP29 Media Briefing	SE56: AV
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Organised by: Senior IETA staff will give an update on the state of the negotiations. Media are also invited to contact IETA for news of any ad-hoc briefings that may take place during the course of the COP - press@ieta.org.

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Facilitator:
 Alessandro Vitelli, Communications Advisor - IETA

Presenter:
 Andrea Bonzanni, Director, International Policy - IETA

11:00-12:30 IETA BusinessHub Side Event Room	Nesting Framework and Approaches in Latin America	SE57: BM
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Organised by: Latin America has been characterized by implementing a range of activities to reduce forest-related emissions and preserve ecosystems, where nesting is one of the key elements to ensure adequate accounting and environmental integrity in project development. This panel will focus on presenting the experiences of Peru and other countries in the region, identifying the progress, challenges, and work carried out by the different actors associated with the implementation of REDD+ nesting processes.




Moderator:
 Pedro Venzon, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:
 Berioska Quispe, Director, General Directorate for Climate Change and Desertification - Ministry of Environment (MINAM), Peru
 Claudio Schneider, Senior Director, Technical Support Peru - Conservation International
 Tba - Indigenous Peoples' Platform to Address Climate Change
 Tba - Pará State, Brazil
 Luis Panichelli, VCM Director - ICROA

Closing Remarks:
 Raquel Soto Torres, Vice Minister Strategic Development of Natural Resources - Ministry of Environment (MINAM), Peru

FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER

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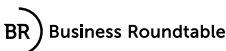
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EMFF focuses on promoting fair and transparent environmental markets, fostering traceability and effectiveness to address the climate crisis, biodiversity loss, and other global environmental challenges. Our work centers on environmental communication and education, raising awareness and driving climate action.

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Emergent's mission is to end tropical deforestation. It is a non-profit that serves as the coordinator of the LEAF Coalition and is a transaction platform between tropical forest countries and the private sector—creating a new marketplace in large-scale transactions of high-integrity carbon credits at the jurisdictional level.

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