

Workshop on Policies and Practices in Methane Regulations:

Coal Sector's perspective

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Outline

1. Mapping the efforts worldwide
 - a. The current status of coal mining worldwide
 - b. Examples of national efforts to regulate methane emissions
 - i. Current
 - Problem of abandoned mine methane emissions
 - Problem of open emissions from pit mines
 - ii. Past – what worked and what did not
 - c. International initiatives focused on methane
 - i. GMP
 - ii. Paris Agreement and NDCs
 - iii. IMEO
 - iv. Proposed EU Methane regulation
 - d. Financing coal mine methane projects
 - i. Mine closure (touching upon methane issues)
 - e. Where do carbon markets fit in US CMM BMPs?
 - i. Gaps in current US CMM policies and practices filled by carbon markets
 - ii. MMC activities within voluntary, subnational, and international carbon markets
 - iii. Overview of MMC crediting
 - iv. State of MMC carbon credits and future projects at ACR
 - v. Potential stacking of incentives from carbon markets and state programs
 - f. Summary (lack of coordination and common methodology in measuring and reporting methane emissions, technological challenges, difficulties with access to data, geopolitics and energy security)
2. Proposed regulations
 - a. Scope
 - i. Oil and Gas
 - ii. Coal
 - Drainage systems
 - VAM
 - Flaring
 - b. Technical issues
 - c. Problem of greenwashing and outsourcing emissions
 - i. Need for a global effort
 - d. Difference between coal and gas sector in the context of mitigating methane emissions
 - i. Need for Just Transition mechanisms in the coal sector's methane regulations
 - e. A need for a guide for non-technicians making roadmaps to reduce methane emissions
 - i. To move from commitments to action plans
 - Why is this not happening?!
 - ii. To make road maps to the set commitments
 - iii. To set financial drivers for industry (carrot and/or sticks)
3. Q&A