Transfer Readiness Support for Setting up Systems and Capacities for International Cooperation under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.

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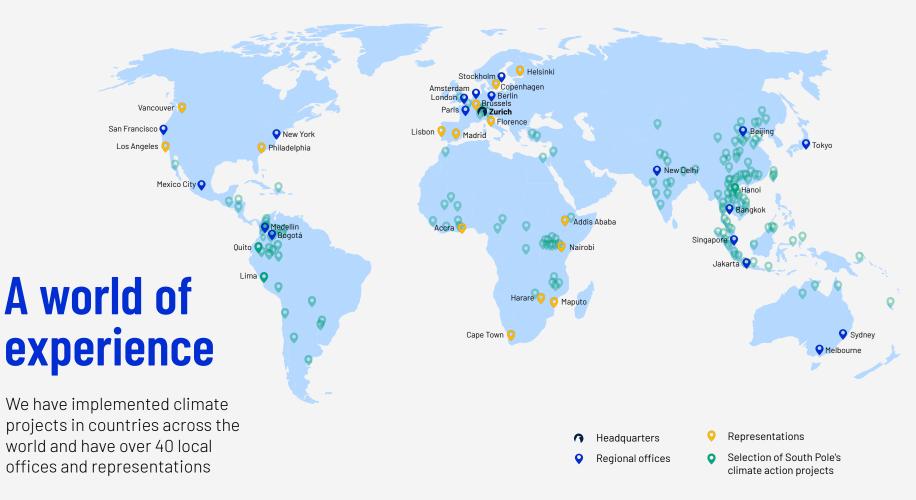
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# Article 6 transfer framework: prepare, develop, operationalise

# **Article 6 of the Paris Agreement** Mitigation Outcomes (MOs) and Internationally Transferred MOs

ITMOs are the result of different activity types defined as: **real**, **verified and additional; that represent emissions reductions or removals, and include mitigation co-benefits** resulting from adaptation actions and/or economic diversification plans or the means to achieve them.



### 01

ITMOs must be generated in respect of or representing **mitigation from 2021 onward.** 

### 02

Measured in tCO2eq or non-GHG metrics determined by the participating countries (transferring and receiving countries), and that are consistent with their NDCs.

### 03

From a cooperative approach referred to in Art. 6.2 (that involves the international transfer of **Mitigation Outcomes (MOs)** authorized for use towards an NDC).

### 04

MOs authorized by a participating country for use for **Other International Mitigation Purposes (OIMPs)** different than achievement of an NDC (e.g., CORSIA).

### 05

Article 6, paragraph 4: emission reductions and deliver an **Overall Mitigation in Global Emissions (OMGE).** 

# **Getting ready for Article 6 engagement**

Capacity building on Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement

#### What is Article 6?

Ensure an adequate understanding of Article 6 cooperative approaches, the opportunities and risks of participation, as well as gain understanding in crucial concepts for its adequate operationalization.

#### Mitigation Activities

Obtain knowledge on the concept of Mitigation Activities, how to prioritize them and their main criteria to safeguard their alignment to Kazakhstan's NDC priorities.

#### The Activity Cycle and governance needs

Know the generic process to approve and authorize Mitigation Activities and the needed governance to ensure an efficient process for selecting them and generate mitigation outcomes for their international transfer.





# **Article 6** UNDP ITMO transfer readiness

Several countries that are keen to collaborate through Article 6, have started to prepare for Article 6 'readiness'.



Article 6 has the potential to **stimulate investments into mitigation activities and NDC implementation, while engaging the private sector and businesses** in the compliance of the countries' climate targets.



#### Article 6 Readiness is defined as:

"having in place the capacities and systems, including a strategy, guiding principles, an institutional framework and related monitoring procedures and tools to make use of Article 6 collaboration in a way that suits national contexts."



Switzerland (alongside other countries) is very interested in collaborating with Article 6 ready countries, and is supporting several to achieve Article 6 readiness and their own NDC targets.

# **Project countries**



# **Institutional needs**

## **Requirements to generate a solid institutional framework**

A solid institutional arrangement



The proposal for a solid institutional framework, **must address the roles of the ministries, agencies and government bodies** that will be involved. The latter included their responsibilities and tasks.

National capacities



Additionally, the proposed institutional arrangement should also address the current capabilities of each government entity and the budget that will be needed for its functionality.

02

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National regulatory framework



Finally, it is crucial that the designed institutional arrangement for Article 6 operationalization is duly embedded in the country's legal framework.

# **Governance Framework**

# Needed processes and procedures to determine eligible Mitigation Activities

## 01

Define roles and attributions to:

Identify Mitigation Activities, review their eligibility and the role of each government entity under the designed institutional arrangement.

## 02

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Understand Kazakhstan's NDC progress to:

Ensure Mitigation Activities safeguard Environmental Integrity and NDC additionality, as well as know the KPIs to track Kazakhstan's NDC progress.

## 03

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Standardize Mitigation Activity selection to:

Provide certainty establish clear criteria for their selection (i.e., positive/negative lists and project assessment.

### 04

Develop an efficient selection process to:

Inform all involved stakeholders in the Article 6.2 Activity Cycle and give the private sector coherent rules to participate.

## 05

### Keep transparency by:

Making the Article 6.2 Framework publicly-available including the Mitigation Activity selection process and defined criteria.

# Kazakhstan's preparation

# Participate in UNDP program

Kick-off workshop



A6.2 Regulatory Framework workshop

10th to 12th October

Initial decisions taken on

Institutional frameworks A6 positive and negative list

### Next steps

South Pole integrating decision into first draft of Governance Framework and providing ongoing support to reach outstanding decisions

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