Mitigation Architecture: Links between PoAs, SBs, NAMAs and New Market Mechanism

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Knowing the terms

- Project Activity (PA)
- Programme of Activities (PoA)
- Standard Baselines (SB)
- National Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMA)
- New Market Mechanism (NMM)
- Framework for various approaches (FVA)
- Result Based Financing







PoA & SB- Upscaling the CDM

Programme of Activities

- Local/national /Regional policy or standard cannot be considered as CDM - PA,
- PA under a PoA can be registered as single CDM
- Pooling of geographically dispersed, small scale project activities that present the most attractive project opportunities in on the continent

Standard Baseline

• Baseline established by a party or group of parties to facilitate the calculation of ER and removals and/or the determination of additionality for CDM.



PoA achievement over project by project CDM – Scope







PoA achievement over project by project CDM – Regional Distribution





National Appropriate Mitigation Actions Linkages to CDM

- Voluntary , implemented in developing countries
- Defined by Developing Country based on national circumstances, data availability and institutional capabilities
- supported and enabled by technology, financing and capacity building
- Monitored, Reported and Verified (MRV)
- MRV domestically/ Internationally (if supported)
- GCF established to finance the supported NAMAs
- No legal status without inclusion in the COP decision
- **Diversity** (specific/sectoral/economic linked)
- NAMA Document: Implementation Aspects



Other terms

- NMM : NMM has to stimulate emission reductions across "broad segments of the economy" and go beyond pure offsetting by "ensuring a net decrease and/or avoidance of global GHG."
- FVA "must meet standards that deliver real, permanent, additional, and verified mitigation outcomes; avoid doublecounting of effort; and achieve a net decrease and/or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions.
- Result-based financing (RBR) is a concept according to which financial support is provided *ex post* based on verified achievement of pre-defined outcomes.



Objectives of various elements in the Market Mechanism

	What	Objective	Who
Programmatic CDM	Aggregation of many/ all possible activities in a sector or sub-sector, initiated by political or similar actor	Assisting Annex I countries in achieving targets cost-efficient- ly, contributing to sustainable development of host country	Private entities, governments
Standardised Base- lines, 'Sectoral CDM'	Setting a baseline for all installations or activities in a sector or sub-sector in a country	Assisting Annex I countries in achieving targets cost-efficient- ly, contributing to sustainable development of host country	Private entities, governments
Sectoral Crediting	Decoupled from specif- ic activities, credits are awarded if emissions from a sector are kept below a pre-defined level	Achieving large-scale net emis- sion reductions in developing countries in the context of sustainable development, and assisting Annex I countries in achieving targets cost-efficiently	Governments, private entities?
Sectoral Trading	Decoupled from specif- ic activities or policies, allowances are issued ex ante based on a sectoral target, with penalty for missing target	Achieving large-scale net emis- sion reductions in developing countries in the context of sustainable development, and assisting Annex I countries in achieving targets cost-efficiently	Governments, (private enti- ties?)
NAMA Crediting	Crediting of specific NAMAs or based on sectoral thresholds	Achieving large-scale net emis- sion reductions in developing countries in the context of sustainable development, and assisting Annex I countries in achieving targets cost-efficiently	Governments, (private enti- ties?)



- It gives the global carbon market a mature framework to measure the environmental integrity of offset projects;
- It gives project developers a standardized unit to bring to market to finance their projects;
- It gives both emitters and project developers a variety of options to contribute to sustainable development; and
- It gives the market as a whole a generally recognized approval process that helps the international community judge the contribution to sustainable development and greenhouse gas mitigation.
- It ease in mobilizing the carbon market's financing power for international climate financing.



Challenges that loom over all mechanism

- Estimation of BAU emission scenario (ex-ante forecasting)
- Establishment of Common Accounting rules, standards, criteria and/or procedures.
- Stimulation of mitigation across broad segments of the economy.
- Overlapping with the existing and new mechanism (double counting)
- MRV (technical provision ,non-GHG impacts)
- Addressing policy impact in mitigation
- Level of aggregation of data
- Institutional capacity at the national level
- Cost effectiveness Environmental Integrity



Way forward to fit CDM for future

- Simplification of additionality (positive lists ,default factors) demonstration and MRV
- Expanding the sectoral and geographical distribution of projects,
- Increased cost-effectiveness and development of more SB
- Development of more and more Sectoral approaches s to answer the criticism of Project-by-project assessment being "time consuming".



- Scaled-up mechanisms mobilises carbon finance on a much larger scale than so far.
- Aggregate target level for sectors will be better able to reach sectors the CDM has so far hardly tapped, especially transport and buildings.
- Incentivizes developing countries to implement climatefriendly policies.
- At aggregate level the mechanisms will be more environmentally robust and cost effective



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