# INCENTIVIZING POST-2020 AMBITION THROUGH INDCS AND THE ROLE OF MARKETS

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# 'INTENDED' NDCs

- to achieve a global ambition level to limit global warming below 2°C based on pre-industrial levels
- to aim at a mitigation goal with progression beyond current undertakings of a particular Party
- to transform goals into a legally binding mitigation commitment under the 2015 agreement
- must be transparent, quantifiable, comparable, verifiable and ambitious

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#### **EXAMPLES OF MITIGATION COMMITMENTS, PLEDGES, CONTRIBUTIONS**

Туре	Example 2020 pledges	Characteristics	Most important information requirements for gap assessment
Economy-wide emission reduction targets	Relative to base year: USA, EU, Japan	<ul> <li>Full flexibility where to reduce emissions</li> <li>For developed countries a continuation of the status quo</li> </ul>	Accounting for forestry
	Relative to baseline scenario: Brazil, Mexico, Chile, South Korea	<ul> <li>Full flexibility where to reduce emissions</li> <li>Can factor in economic growth</li> <li>Creates a "moving target" if baseline changes</li> </ul>	Level of baseline scenario
	Relative to GDP: China, India	<ul> <li>Full flexibility where to reduce emissions</li> <li>Adaptive to changes in economic development</li> <li>Emission outcome uncertain</li> </ul>	Assumed level of future GDP
Energy targets	China, Peru	- Closer to actual actions than emission targets	Definition of the target, quantification of impact on emissions
Policies	Brazil, Argentina	- Directly under control of the government	Quantification of impact on emissions
Projects	Ethiopia	- Very detailed in scope	Quantification of impact on emissions

Source: Ecofys

#### **POLICY AS PART OF CONTRIBUTION**

- national governments have direct control
- clearly expressed as part of contribution
- may be in the form of regulations and standards
- may include economic instruments such as:
  - carbon market
  - o taxes
  - charges
  - subsidies
  - incentives

# INCENTIVES SCHEME (PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS)

#### Non-fiscal incentive

Inclusion in the Investments Priority Plan (IPP)

#### **Fiscal Incentives**

- Tax and Duty Exemption on Imported Capital Equipment
- Tax Credit on Domestic Capital Equipment
- Tax and Duty Exemption of Donations, Legacies and Gifts

# INCENTIVES SCHEME (PHILIPPINE RENEWABLE ENERGY LAW)

- Income Tax Holiday (ITH)
- Duty-free Importation of RE Machinery, Equipment and Materials
- Special Realty Tax Rates on Equipment and Machinery.
- Net Operating Loss Carry-Over (NOLCO)
- Corporate Tax Rate
- Accelerated Depreciation.
- Zero Percent Value-Added Tax Rate
- Cash Incentive of Renewable Energy Developers for Missionary Electrification
- Tax Exemption of Carbon Credits
- Tax Credit on Domestic Capital Equipment and Services

# **INCENTIVES & CO-BENEFITS**

- Air Pollution and Health
- Energy Security
- Energy Access
- Employment
- Ecosystem Impacts

#### **POST-2020 MARKETS: CHALLENGES**

#### A fragmented market

- Various crediting mechanisms
- Existing market demand with varied restrictions / priorities

#### Are majority of global emissions included in INDCs?

- International transfers mostly "trading" not crediting
- Limited supply of domestic crediting

# Intl framework for crediting beyond 2020

		Within the scope of Kyoto targets INDCs	Outside the scope of Kyoto targets INDCs
Compliance market	International unit transfer	JI JCM/BOCM (Japan)? NMM?	CDM JCM/BOCM (Japan)? NMM?
	Domestic use of units	JI CAR (California) CCERs (China)? CDM, VCS, GS CCBA (South Africa)?	CCERs (China)? CDM, VCS, GS CCBA (South Africa)?
Voluntary market		VCS? GS VERs?	VCS GS VERs

Source: L. Schneider, Stockholm Environment Institute

# FVA, NMM, NMA

- future role of carbon markets are being negotiated outside the ADP, within SBSTA
- agreement is being worked on a Framework for Various
   Approaches (FVA), as a way of linking market and non-market
   based mitigation actions as commitments under the Convention
- FVA could facilitate the transfer of units between different countries in the absence of KP-like architecture, framing up a New Market Mechanism (NMM) as well as Non-Market Approaches (NMA)

# FVA, NMM, NMA

- BUT parties have to agree on the definition of these 3 concepts to move the discussion forward
- discussions on FVA were stalled in Lima with the disagreement by Parties on whether these talks should continue in SBSTA or be transferred to the ADP
- the transfer would preempt ADP outcomes and the decisions on whether to include or not, markets in the new climate agreement

# NEW MARKETS IN A NEW CLIMATE REGIME (POST-2020)

- Paris climate deal is being negotiated under the UNFCCC's ADP
  - ADP's mandate does not address carbon markets
  - questions on carbon markets in the context of emissions accounting
  - a regime lacking the top-down KP architecture potential for double counting
- Paris agreement should allow international transfers to help countries implement their NDCs
- Paris agreement should establish a common accounting standards and other measures

# **MOVING MARKETS FORWARD**

- A comprehensive UNFCCC accounting framework for international transfer of mitigation outcomes
  - Transferring mitigation outcomes within the scope of INDCs
  - Using credits from mitigation outcomes outside the scope of INDCs
- agreement on international rules and mechanisms similar to KP architecture
- development of a common multilateral standards for markets

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