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**Regional Collaboration Centres  
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## 1. Introduction

1. The Executive Board of the clean development mechanism (CDM) (hereinafter referred to as the Board), through the CDM Executive Board workplan 2024,<sup>1</sup> requested regular reports on progress made in specific areas.
2. The six Regional Collaboration Centres (RCCs) provide support for the development and implementation of CDM project activities and Programmes of Activities (PoAs) and the development of standardized baselines in the respective regions:
  - (a) RCC Asia and the Pacific (Bangkok, Thailand);<sup>2</sup>
  - (b) RCC Caribbean (St. George's, Grenada);<sup>3</sup>
  - (c) RCC East and Southern Africa (Kampala, Uganda);<sup>4</sup>
  - (d) RCC Latin America (Panama City, Panama);<sup>5</sup>
  - (e) RCC MENA and South Asia (Dubai, United Arab Emirates);<sup>6</sup> and
  - (f) RCC West and Central Africa (Lomé, Togo).<sup>7</sup>
3. This report includes information on the capacity-building activities organized by the RCCs and the collaborations undertaken with other organizations in the period from 1 January to 31 December 2024. Cumulative figures covering the beginning of RCC operations in 2013 all the way through to 31 December 2024 are presented in this report to reflect the support provided for the development and implementation of CDM project activities and PoAs and the development of standardized baselines.<sup>8</sup>

## 2. Regional support

### 2.1. Support for project activities and programmes of activities

4. From 1 January to 31 December 2024, the RCCs provided direct technical support to project developers of twenty-five CDM project activities and PoAs (3 from Asia-Pacific, 8 from East and Southern Africa, 3 from Latin America, 8 from Middle East and North Africa and 3 from West and Central Africa) with issues related to the CDM requirements and transition to Article 6.4 mechanism. In addition, RCCs responded to 25 queries from other stakeholders (4 from Asia-Pacific, 7 from East and Southern Africa, 5 from Latin America, 5 from Middle East and North Africa and 4 from West and Central Africa), which were primarily related to on CDM transitioning and other generic methodological matters.

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<sup>1</sup> The draft CDM Executive Board workplan 2024 is available at:  
<https://cdm.unfccc.int/Meetings/MeetingInfo/DB/Z0FGLWR6SVYKBU3/view>.

<sup>2</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCAsiaPacific>.

<sup>3</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCCaribbean>.

<sup>4</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCSEASAfrica>.

<sup>5</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCLatinAmerica>.

<sup>6</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCMENAandSA>.

<sup>7</sup> See <https://unfccc.int/RCCWACAfrica>.

<sup>8</sup> Previous reports are available on the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change CDM website at <https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/report/>.

5. From the beginning of their operations until 31 December 2024, the RCCs provided direct support to 1,778 CDM project activities and PoAs, contributing to 259 CDM project activities and PoAs progressing at least one step forward in the CDM project cycle. In addition, through the provision of technical advice and capacity-building, 128 new CDM project activities and PoAs were identified and their notification of CDM prior consideration submitted.

## **2.2. Support in the development of standardized baselines**

6. In 2024 RCCs supported one country (Honduras) by clarifying procedural matters related to the update of the grid emission factor of the electricity system of Honduras and its approval as a standardized baseline under the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism.
7. From the beginning of the RCCs' operations in 2013 until 31 December 2024, the RCCs directly supported the development of 366 standardized baselines, of which 58 were approved by the Board.

## **2.3. Promotion of the clean development mechanism and other climate actions and capacity-building**

8. The RCCs supported CDM stakeholders under goal 2 of the CDM two-year business and management plan 2024–2025<sup>9</sup>. To this aim, the RCCs organized, co-organized or participated in 90 events on carbon markets, during which they addressed stakeholders' queries about requirements for transitioning CDM project activities and PoAs to the Article 6.4 mechanism and promoted the CDM as a tool for voluntary climate action. Below is a selection of key events organized or co-organized by the RCCs:

- (a) RCC East and Southern Africa and RCC West and Central Africa:
- (i) Workshop: Enhancing climate action in Central Africa, 23-25 January 2024, Yaoundé, Cameroon;
  - (i) Workshop: Training workshop on Article 6 implementation strategy design, 29 January – 1 February 2024, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire;
  - (ii) Workshop: Facilitating socially just carbon pricing in Uganda, 13-15 February 2024, Entebbe, Uganda;
  - (iii) Workshop: Validation of Uganda's carbon market regulations, 12 March 2024, Kampala, Uganda;
  - (iv) Webinar: East Africa Alliance CDM transition evaluation and approval process, 30 April 2024;
  - (v) Workshop: Training workshop for legal experts in Central Africa, 30 April – 3 May 2024, Kigali, Rwanda;
  - (vi) Workshop: East Africa Carbon Markets Forum, 9-10 May 2024, Kampala, Uganda;
  - (vii) Workshop: Africa regional workshop on implementing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, 13-17 May, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe;

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<sup>9</sup> CDM-EB119-A06-INFO, section 3.2. available at [https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20230929104556766/Info\\_note105.pdf](https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20230929104556766/Info_note105.pdf)

- (viii) Workshop: Regional workshop on establishing a carbon market in West Africa, 6-8 August 2024, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire;
- (ix) Workshop: Capacity building and stakeholder consultation on feasibility of carbon Pricing instruments and Article 6 in Cameroon, 24-26 September 2024, Yaoundé, Cameroon;
- (x) Regional Workshop on Article 6 and Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing in West and Central Africa, 28 October – 1 November 2024, Praia, Cabo Verde;
- (xi) Webinar: COP 29 Outcomes on Article 6 and CDM, 19 December 2024;
- (b) RCC Asia and the Pacific:
  - (i) Webinar: Carbon Market Institute International Carbon Markets Working Group meeting, 15 March 2024
  - (ii) Webinar: Introductory webinar on carbon markets and Article 6, 26 January 2023 for Central Asia, 18 April 2024;
  - (iii) Webinar: Introductory webinar on carbon markets and Article 6, 26 January 2023 for Asia and the Pacific, 7 May 2024;
  - (iv) Workshop: Article 6 training and Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing for the Pacific, 12-16 August 2024, Apia, Samoa;
  - (v) Workshop: Mobilizing Investment for Resilient and Low Emission Agrifood Systems in Asia through Carbon Markets, 16-19 September 2024, Bangkok, Thailand;
  - (vi) Workshop: Technical Capacity Building on Article 6 Implementation, 10 December 2024, Hanoi, Vietnam;
- (c) RCC Latin America and RCC Caribbean:
  - (i) Webinar: Training for country leaders in the Article 6 and Carbon Markets Green Climate Fund Readiness Project, 8-12 March 2024;
  - (ii) Webinar: Colombia Carbon Forum, 24 April 2024;
  - (iii) Webinar: Introductory Article 6 training for the CBIT –GSP Regional Network for Latin America and the Caribbean, 30 April 2024;
  - (iv) Workshop: Regional Article 6 training for Cuba, Dominican Republic, and Panama, 14-16 May 2024, Panama City, Panama;
  - (v) Webinar: Navigating Article 6: A Deep Dive Into the Paris Agreement Cooperative Approaches, 20 June 2024;
  - (vi) Workshop: Article 6 training and Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing for Latin America, 21-26 July 2024, Santiago de Chile, Chile;
  - (vii) Webinar: Demystifying Carbon Pricing: A Key Instrument for Tackling Climate Change; 22 August 2024;
  - (viii) Webinar: Reporting and Review Requirements for Article 6 and Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, 27 August 2024;
  - (ix) Webinar: Haiti - Building effective capacity for Article 6 implementation, 12 September 2024;

- (x) Workshop: National Training Workshop on Carbon Markets and Article 6 Implementation, 19 September 2024, Guatemala City, Guatemala;
  - (xi) Webinar: Training on Carbon Markets and the Paris Agreement for Paraguay, 29 October 2024;
- (d) MENA and South Asia region:
- (i) Workshop: Navigating Article 6: Opportunities for Cities NetZero Commitments, 5 March 2024, Dubai, UAE;
  - (ii) Workshop: Sri Lanka Carbon Market Strategy and Guiding Principles of Sri Lanka, 23-26 July 2024, Colombo; Sri Lanka;
  - (iii) Workshop: Article 6 training and Regional Dialogue on Carbon Pricing for South Asia, 6-9 August 2024, Thimphu, Buthan;
  - (iv) Workshop: Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, the potential role of the private sector, 3 September 2024, Dubai, UAE;
  - (v) Workshop: The Role of Carbon Markets in Promoting Climate Action, 3 October 2024; Dubai, UAE;
  - (vi) Webinar: Nepal Ministry of Environment Training for COP 29 Delegates, 25 October 2024;
  - (vii) Webinar: UAE Carbon Alliance capacity building on Article 6 and the interplay of the carbon markets 25 October 2024.
9. During the reporting period, the RCCs published 52 global and regional newsletters on their individual websites: 12 for the Africa region; 8 for the Asia-Pacific region; 15 for the Latin America and the Caribbean region; 8 for the MENA and South Asia region; and 9 global newsletters and campaigns. These newsletters provide technical advice, inform readers about relevant events, facilitate cooperation, and promote opportunities for project funding. They have received positive feedback from CDM stakeholders.
10. The annual RCC Global Forum for 2024 took place on 11 November 2024 on the margins of COP 29. Over 30 participants from RCC hosting partners, development organizations, key partners and UNFCCC senior management shared information, experiences, and perspectives on the work of the RCCs.

## 2.4. Inter-agency partnerships

11. The RCCs forged and maintained collaborations with a wide variety of entities to implement their workplan, including delivering the events listed in paragraph 10 above. These include but are not limited to:
- (a) Multilateral and development banks:
    - (i) World Bank;
    - (ii) Inter-American Development Bank;
    - (iii) West African Development Bank;
    - (iv) East African Development Bank;
    - (v) Development Bank of Central Africa States;

- (b) United Nations agencies and organizations:
    - (i) United Nations Development Programme;
    - (ii) United Nations Environment Programme;
    - (iii) United Nations Industrial Development Organization;
    - (iv) United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;
    - (v) United Nations Economic Commission for Africa;
    - (vi) United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia;
    - (vii) United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean;
  - (c) International cooperation and development agencies:
    - (i) Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit;
    - (ii) Institut de la Francophonie pour le Développement Durable;
    - (iii) Japan International Cooperation Agency;
    - (iv) Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office;
  - (d) Regional economic and political organizations:
    - (i) Economic Community of West African States;
    - (ii) African Union;
    - (iii) Organization of Eastern Caribbean States.
12. In this reporting period, a total of 30 RCC technical experts and administrative support staff worked together with the 6 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change regional leads. Technical experts and administrative support staff were mobilized through various sources, including the RCC host partners, internships, and the United Nations Junior Professional Officer and volunteers' programmes. The staffing situation at each RCC is as follows:
- (i) RCC East and Southern Africa: 6;
  - (ii) RCC West and Central Africa: 6;
  - (iii) RCC Asia and the Pacific: 6;
  - (iv) RCC Latin America: 6;
  - (v) RCC Caribbean: 5;
  - (vi) RCC MENA and South Asia: 5.

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