

# The Paris Agreement Article 6 Implementation Partnership (A6IP)



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## Objective

Promote international collaboration for capacity building related to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, including by sharing good practices and supporting the implementation of Article 6.

## Launch & Collaboration

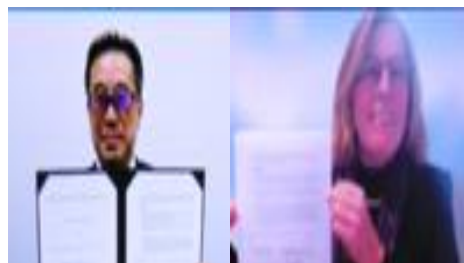


❖ Launched **Nov. 16, 2022 @ COP27**, Japan Pavilion

- Main participants (Ministerial level):** Japan, United States, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Singapore, Sweden, and Estonia.
- UNFCCC Secretariat, World Bank, IETA.



❖ **Letter of Intent signed on Nov 16, 2022**, between Mr. Nishimura, Minister of Environment, and Mr. Stiell, Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC, on collaboration under this partnership.

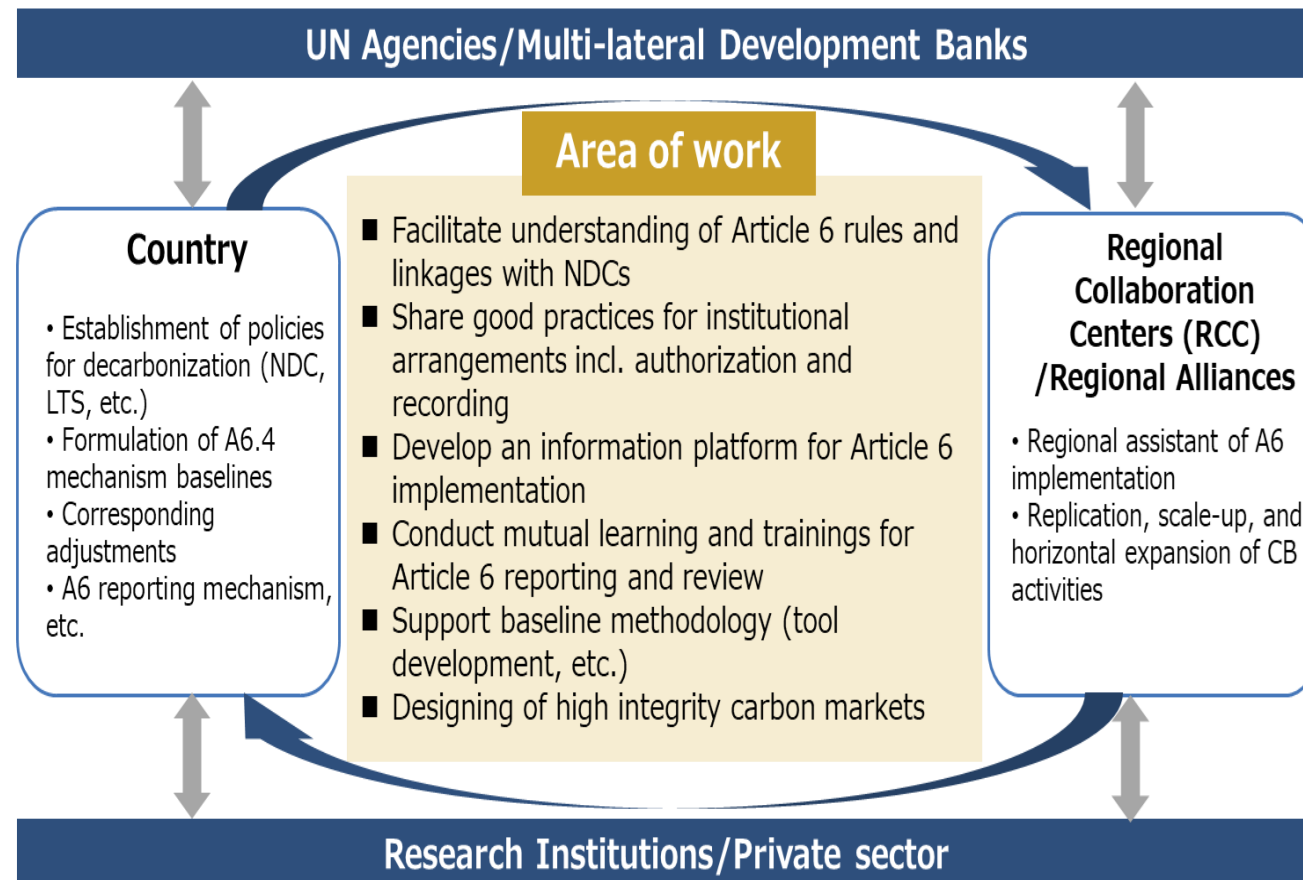


❖ **Memorandum of Cooperation signed on Jan 26, 2023**, between the World Bank and MOEJ, on collaboration to realize global carbon markets.

# The Article 6 Implementation Partnership

## Structure

A6IP leverages the combined know-how of countries, regional alliances, multilateral bodies, and public/private institutions of every size.



# The Center (“A6IP”): Secretariat of the Partnership Paris Agreement Article 6 Implementation Partnership

## Background



G7 Ministers' Meeting on Climate, Energy and Environment

The establishment of the A6IP Center was welcomed by G7 Ministers at the G7 Climate and Energy Ministers' meeting on **Apr. 15 & 16, 2023**, together with the declaration of the G7 *Principles of High Integrity Carbon Markets*.

"... For providing sustained activities at the Partnership, we welcome Japan's initiative to establish the "**Article 6 Implementation Partnership Center**", in this regard **as a secretariat for the Partnership** in supporting capacity building towards implementing Article 6 of the Paris Agreement."

- 2023 G7 Climate, Energy and Environment Ministers' Communiqué

## High Integrity Carbon Markets

High-integrity carbon markets must be consistent with ambitious, science-aligned emissions pathways to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050.

### ✓ Supply-Side Integrity:

MRV + high environmental integrity

### ✓ Demand-Side Integrity:

The use and disclosure of credits must align with net-zero emissions by 2050

### ✓ Market Integrity:

Transparent information and public tracking for carbon credits.

**The A6IP Center has a global remit to promote these principles through capacity-building** helping to develop the know-how, institutional arrangements, and international links needed to leverage Article 6.

# Designation of IGES as the secretariat of A6IP

## Establishment of A6IP at IGES

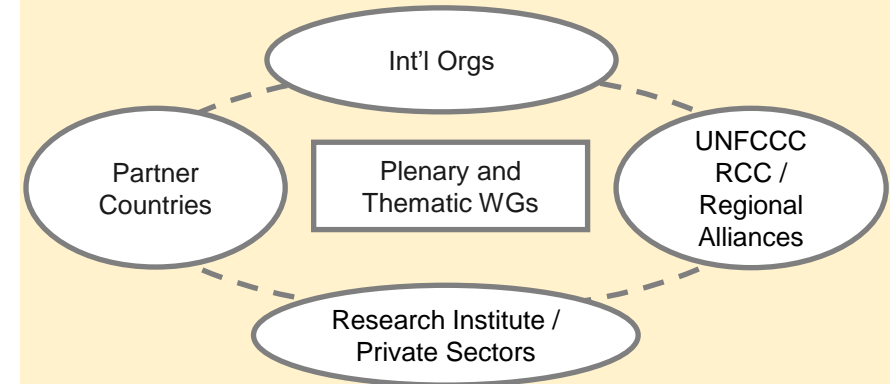
The A6IP Center was established on **April 27, 2023**, to serve as the secretariat of A6IP and promote its activities.

**The Ministry of Environment, Japan, assigned the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) to manage the A6IP Center.**



## Management Structure

### Article 6 Implementation Partnership

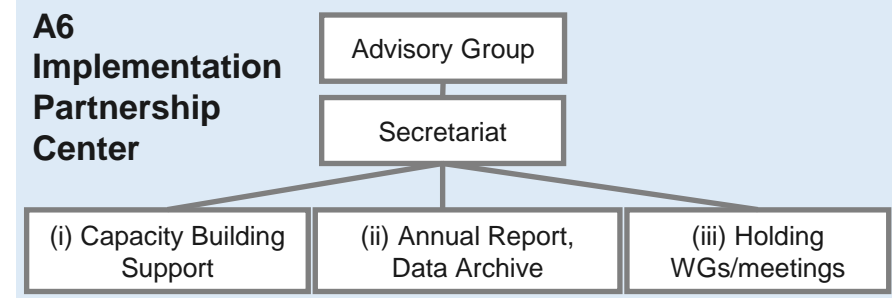


#### IGES manages the Center

The governing structure will be expanded with the UNFCCC / World Bank.



### A6 Implementation Partnership Center



#### Center manages the Partnership

Develops & shares CB tools + tailored support packages



# A6IP Activities



Paris Agreement Article 6  
Implementation Partnership



Partnership Website  
[A6partnership.org](https://a6partnership.org)

## Outline

Based on the decisions on the detailed rules for implementing Article 6 at COP27, establish thematic working groups (WG) of **(1) authorization, (2) reporting, and (3) tracking**, necessary for the implementation of Article 6, and provide support for **capacity building (CB) and institutional arrangements**, mainly targeting government officials.

## Activities

### Thematic Working Groups ("WG")

#### 1. Authorization

Support countries' authorization (capacity building to government officials, setting policies and guidelines, etc.)

#### 2. Reporting

Support developing initial, annual, and regular reporting

#### 3. Tracking

Support developing a national registry, utilizing international registry, or others

### Information Platform

#### Article 6 updates:

Info on capacity building & related events

#### Resource sharing:

Case studies & good practices

### Technical Assistance

**Practical training:** Workshops for mutual learning on WG themes

#### Technical assistance:

On methodology development

### Private Sector Support

#### Networking, awareness, & advocacy:

Joint engagement across sectors & borders

#### Research & training:

Co-creating webinars, playbooks, & other assets for capacity building

# 81 Partner Countries and Region

(as of September 2024)  Paris Agreement Article 6 Implementation Partnership

Asia	Eastern Europe and Central Asia	Europe	Latin America & the Caribbean	North Africa & the Middle East	Northern America	Oceania	Sub-Saharan Africa
16	8	14	12	6	3	6	16
Bangladesh Bhutan Brunei Cambodia India Lao PDR Maldives Mongolia Nepal Pakistan Philippines Singapore Sri Lanka Thailand Timor-Leste Vietnam	Armenia Azerbaijan Georgia Kazakhstan Kyrgyz Republic Moldova Ukraine Uzbekistan	Andorra Estonia Finland France Germany Greece Italy Iceland Norway Spain Sweden Switzerland UK European Union	Argentina Bahamas Barbados Belize Brazil Chile Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Jamaica Panamá Peru	Jordan Morocco Oman Saudi Arabia Tunisia UAE	Canada Mexico USA	Australia Fiji New Zealand Palau Papua New Guinea Vanuatu	Benin Botswana Burundi Côte d'Ivoire Ethiopia Ghana Kenya Namibia Nigeria Rwanda Senegal Sudan Togo Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe

**Inclusive participation from many countries across each region**

# 100+ A6IP Partner Organizations

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United Nations	Multilateral / Regional/ Sub-national	International / NGOs / Research Institutes
<p>UNFCCC secretariat</p> <p>UNDP</p> <p>UNEP-CCC (Copenhagen Climate Centre)</p> <p>UNIDO</p> <p>UNU-IAS (United Nations University Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability)</p> <p>UNU-VIE (Vice Rectorate in Europe)</p> <p>UNOPS-ICAT (Initiative for Climate Action Transparency)</p>	<p>World Bank</p> <p>Global Green Growth Institute</p> <p>European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)</p> <p>African Development Bank</p> <p>Asian Development Bank</p> <p>Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)</p> <p>Islamic Development Bank</p> <p>OECD</p> <p>International Energy Agency (IEA)</p> <p>East African Alliance on Carbon Markets &amp; Climate Finance</p> <p>West. African Alliance on Carbon Markets &amp; Climate Finance</p> <p>Provincial Government of Alberta/ Canada</p> <p>Provincial Government of British Columbia/ Canada</p>	<p>Climate Action Data Trust</p> <p>Climate Change and Development Academy of Mongolia</p> <p>Climate Focus</p> <p>Conservation International</p> <p>Democratic Republic of Congo/Yuula Academie</p> <p>European Roundtable on Climate Change and Sustainable Transition</p> <p>Fair Carbon</p> <p>Forest Trends Association</p> <p>Gold Standard</p> <p>Gulf Organization for Research and Development</p> <p>IATA (International Air Transport Association)</p> <p>ICVCM (The Integrity Council for Voluntary Carbon Market)</p> <p>IETA (International Emissions Trading Association)</p> <p>IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources)</p> <p>NDC Partnership</p> <p>Overseas Environmental Cooperation Center</p> <p>Perspectives Climate Research</p> <p>TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute)</p> <p>Tsinghua University, China</p> <p>Voluntary Carbon Markets Integrity Initiative</p> <p>World Resources Institute</p>

**+ Private sector partnerships**



# A6IP Activities in 2024 thus far... (1)

## Advisory Group Meeting



March 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Hayama, Japan & Online

### Objectives

- To share the latest A6IP activities and work program for 2024-2025
- To understand the **global status** of A6 implementation and capacity-building activities
- To discuss the **opportunities for collaboration and strategic direction** to accelerate A6 implementation towards high-integrity carbon markets

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Plenary Meeting



March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Online)

### Objectives

- To update on A6IP activities which align with the work program by the key partner organizations
- To share **lessons learned/best practices** as well as challenges from partner countries
- To promote synergies for high integrity carbon markets through partnering with **the private sector**

## Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> Working Group

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Online)

### Objectives

- **Stocktaking** on Article 6 implementation progress and achievements
- **Exchange information** on the outcomes of Article 6 support activities by partner organizations
- Introduce A6IP **capacity building tools** and invite inputs/ contributions

## 1<sup>st</sup> Private Sector WG

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Online)

### Objectives

- To launch the Working Group
- To highlight **the potential challenges of the private sector** in A6 implementation
- To explore the **collaborative actions**, which can potentially involve private companies of the A6IP partners

# A6IP Activities in 2024 thus far... (2)

## A6IP Side Event at SB 60



June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Bonn, Germany & Online

### Objectives

- To take stock of Article 6 implementation and discuss **how to scale up capacity-building efforts** across regions
- To explore Article 6 implementation status and how **different support initiatives** can align their efforts and **respond to the specific needs of various countries**, including identifying the priority areas, challenges, and the types of tools that could further strengthen the Article 6 implementation in this year leading up to COP29 in Baku.

## A6IP–ISAP 2024 Plenary Session



July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, Yokohama, Japan & Online

### Objectives

- To provide current state of the international carbon market and practices by governments and the private sector
- To discuss the implementation and challenges of **high-integrity carbon markets**
- To provide diverse perspectives on international discussions related to **synergies between climate change, biodiversity, circular economy, in achieving the SDGs.**

# A6IP Activities in 2024 thus far... (3)

## The Paris Agreement Article 6 Expert Training

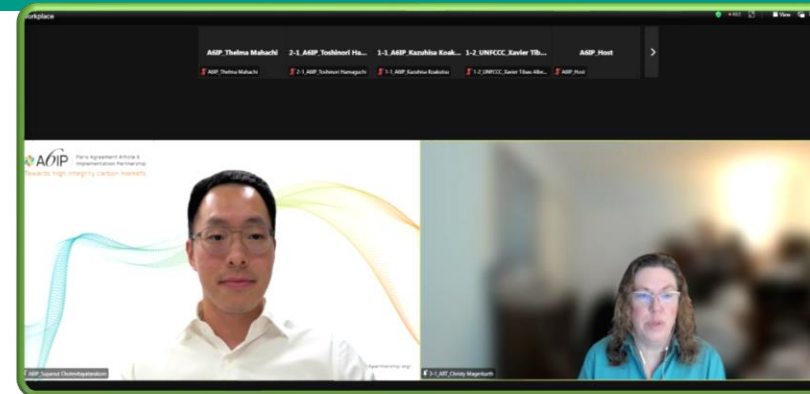


September 25-27 September 2024, Hayama, Japan

### Objectives

- Enhancing understanding of national experts on **Article 6 rulebook** and implementation aspects
- Facilitating exchanges among national experts on **Article 6 readiness preparation and implementation**
- Create a space for **mutual learning** and **sharing of country experience** and **lessons learnt** among national experts
- **Building networks** of Article 6 national expert

## 4<sup>th</sup> A6IP Working Group on Tracking & Reporting



October 30<sup>th</sup> 2024, (Online)

### Objectives

- Explore the **current status and consideration** of possible options for **tracking arrangements** for Article 6.2.
- Sharing experience and perspectives for enhancing **efficient and effective Article 6 reporting**, in particular annual information (agreed electronic format (AEF)), by using registry information.

## A6IP Support Package



### **Article 6 strategy:**

Establishment of Article 6 strategy  
(guiding principles, eligibility criteria, scope, ambition, etc)



### **Authorization:**

Establishment of legal & institutional  
frameworks for the authorization process



### **Reporting:**

Preparation for Initial Report, Annual Report,  
& the Report on Regular Information



### **Tracking:**

Use of a national / international registry for ITMOs  
reporting



### **Project initiation:**

Preparation of an Article 6 pipeline for project development



### **Methodology development:**

Development and application of a baseline

## A6IP Support Package Offer Process

**Step 1:** Invitation to Partner Country  
for Support Package Development



**Step 2:** Expression of Interest



**Step 3:** Online / In-Person  
Consultation



**Step 4:** Propose Draft Support  
Package



**Step 5:** Capacity Building  
Coordination



**Step 6:** Support Package  
Implementation

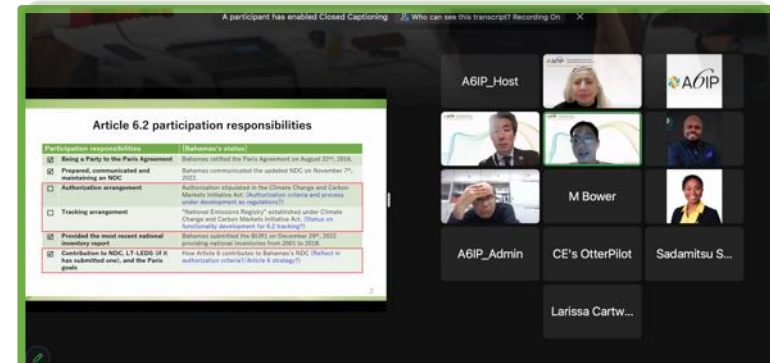


# A6IP Center initiates Support Package activities

- A6IP Center is actively engaging with **twenty-eight (28) partner countries**.
- Thus far, **seven (7) in-country capacity-building workshops** have been conducted.

Mongolia	Tunisia	Bangladesh
Thailand	Maldives	
Bahamas	Vietnam	

- The workshops aim to, among others, support countries in building readiness for **submission of the Initial Reports before COP 29**.
- A6IP Center is coordinating with partner organizations in each country to ensure synergies and alignment of support.





# Facilitating enhanced capacity building efforts

## Formalizing Partnership with the UNFCCC Secretariat

Soft launch during SB60

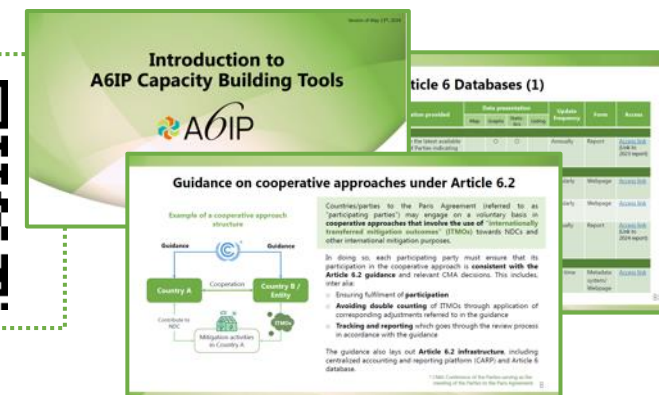
A6IP Center (IGES) and the UNFCCC secretariat signed a partnership agreement in Oct. 2024 to strengthen capacity-building activities at global and regional levels, including through collaboration with the RCCs.



## Update to A6IP Capacity Building Tools

Available on A6IP website

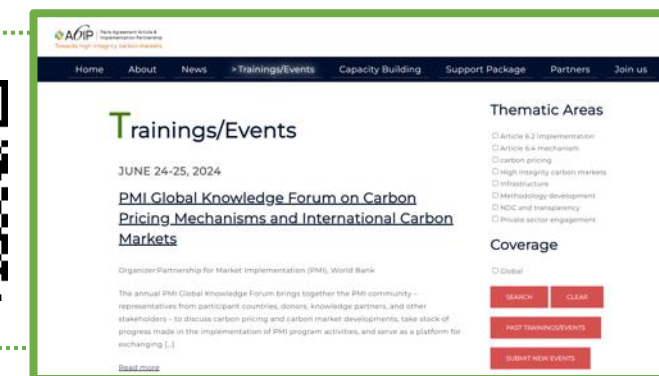
A6IP Center provides capacity-building tools on authorization, tracking, and reporting to support partner countries in understanding the rulebook and its application.



## Dissemination of Trainings/CB Events on A6IP website

Now live on A6IP website

A6IP Center launches a new module under the A6IP website dedicated for dissemination of upcoming trainings and CB events organized by partners to promote outreach and accessibility to various events and resources.



## Way forward

- ❑ In cooperation with international organizations and supporting agencies, A6IP will develop further the governing structure of the A6IP Center, develop concrete capacity-building support measures, and share the results with the world, focusing mainly, but not only, on:
  - **Development of capacity-building tools** for authorization, reporting, and tracking;
  - **Development of tailored support packages** responding to country needs;
  - **Collection and dissemination of information** on capacity-building support and data.
  
- ❑ We encourage and welcome countries to be members of A6IP and to submit requests for A6IP Support Package....Join US.

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**Thank you!**

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