

# ARTICLE 6 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT

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## UPDATES

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- 🌐 **Article 6 of the Paris Agreement:** tool to implement NDCs and LT-LEDs under voluntary cooperation between parties

## NDC & LT-LEDs

**Article 6:** Voluntary cooperation to allow for higher ambition and to promote sustainable development and environmental integrity

### Article 6.2

Cooperative approaches that involves transfers of mitigation outcomes from one country to another towards achieving NDC targets.

### Article 6.4

A centralized crediting mechanism under the purview of the UNFCCC which issues units (A6.4ERs).

### Article 6.8

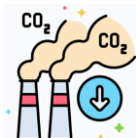
Other types of cooperation that contribute to mitigation and adaptation goals, but **do not involve transfer of units** among cooperating parties.

# Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)



 **The Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)** is the new centralized UNFCCC baseline-and-credits mechanism for public and private sector actors:

The mechanism shall aim to:



Promote the **mitigation** of GHG emissions while fostering **sustainable development**



Contribute to the **reduction of emission levels in the host Party**, which will benefit from mitigation activities resulting in **emission reductions that can also be used by another Party to fulfil its NDC**

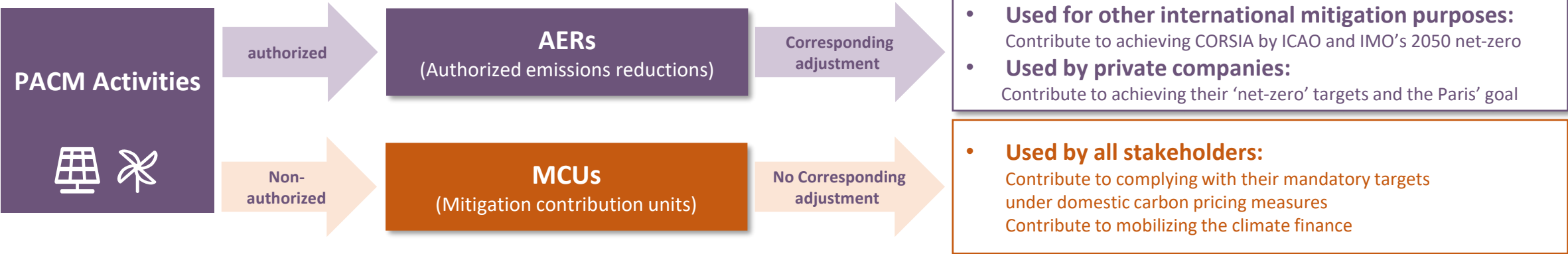


Incentivize and facilitate **participation in the mitigation of GHG by public and private entities** authorized by a Party

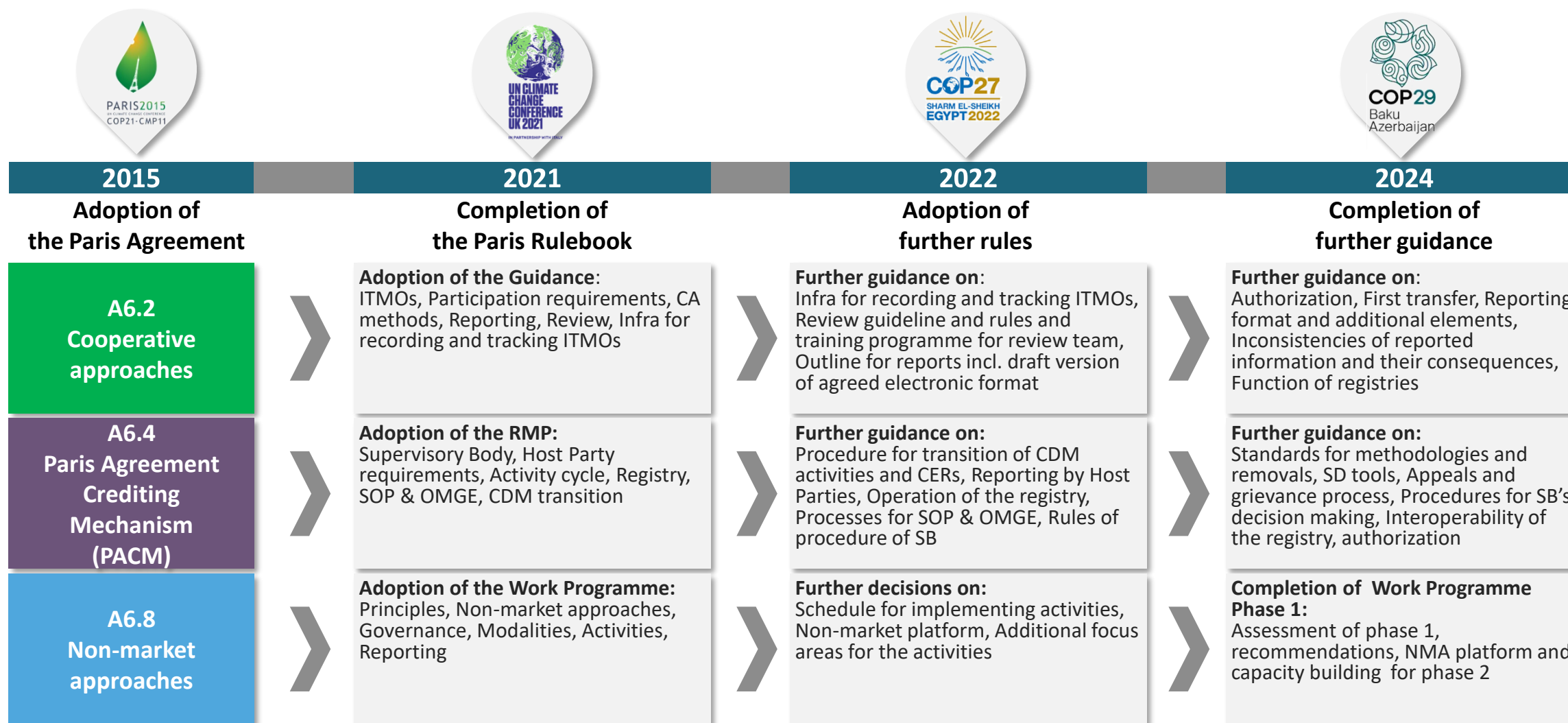


To deliver an **overall mitigation in global emissions**

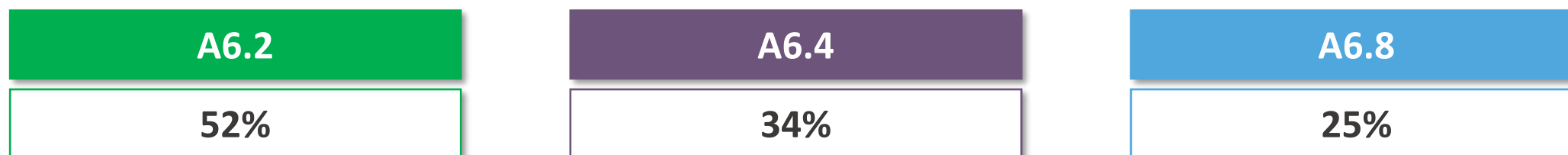
○ Registered activities issue Article 6.4 Emission Reductions (A6.4ERs), which come in two types:



## 9-year Journey for the Full Operationalization



## **NDCs 2.0: 78% of the Parties indicated their intention to use Article 6**



## **NDCs 3.0: To date, over 90% of Parties have indicated their intention or potential to use Article 6**



*Article 6 serves as an enabler **to bridge the emissions and finance gaps** critical for meeting the **1.5°C and 2°C** goals of the Paris Agreement.*

# NDC 3.0 Updates (as of 10 September 2025)



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- 38 Parties submitted NDC 3.0 (2035 target)
- 25 Parties clearly indicate their intention to use Article 6.
- 1 Party—Japan explicitly indicates the expected amount of ITMOs (100M JCM credits 2031-2040)

Intention to use A6			
Use (25)	Reserve (10)	Not use (2)	Not mention (1)
<b>Sellers:</b> Angola, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Cambodia, Cuba, Ecuador, Eswatini, Holy see, Kenya, Maldives, Moldova, Nepal, Niue, Nigeria, Solomon Islands, Somalia, St. Lucia, and Zambia. <b>Buyers:</b> Canada, Japan, Liechtenstein, Norway, Singapore, and Switzerland.	Andorra, Iceland, Marshall Islands, Monaco, Montenegro, New Zealand, UAE, U.K., U.S., and Uruguay.	Australia, Serbia	Honduras, Jordan, Nicaragua, Tunisia, Zimbabwe

[1] An NDC with a target year of 2035, in accordance with para 2 of decision 6/CMA.3 (Common time frames for NDCs).

[2] As per paragraph 25 of decision 1/CP.21, the submission deadline for NDC 3.0 was from 10 November 2024 to 10 February 2025.

# Article 6.2 at a Glance (As of Sep. 2025)



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Cooperative Approaches  
submitted

13

Parties submitted  
Initial Reports (IRs)

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Initial Reports with  
finalized Article 6.2  
Technical Expert Review

- *CA0001 has been assigned to the Article 6.4, Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)*

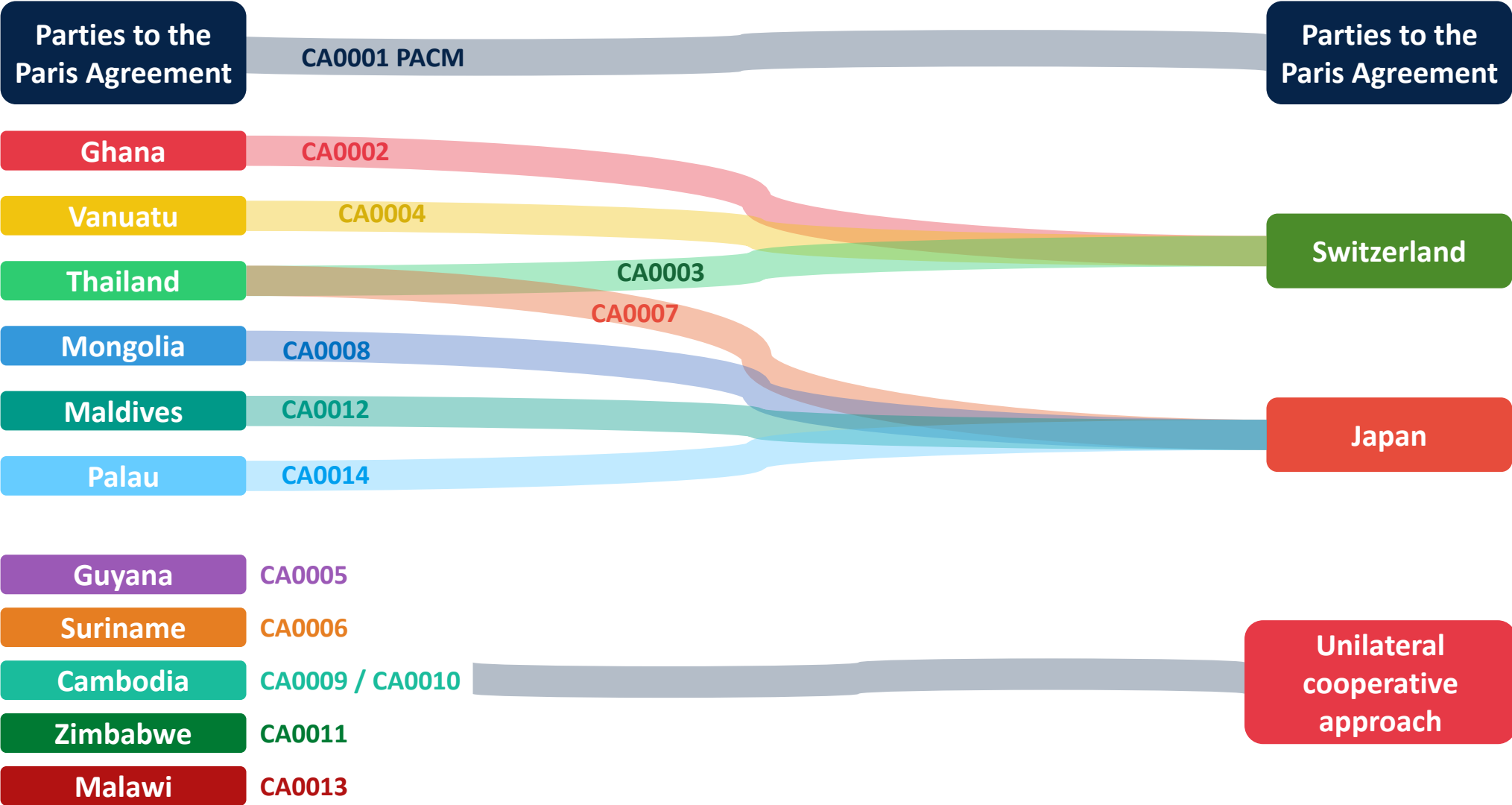


# Cooperative Approaches



First Transferring Party

Acquiring/Using Party





# Article 6.4: PACM, Open for Business



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- 17 Supervisory Body meetings since 2022 adopted key documents for PACM operationalization – now open for business!

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**Standards** adopted  
(incl. methodology requirements,  
activity, accreditation, baseline  
setting)

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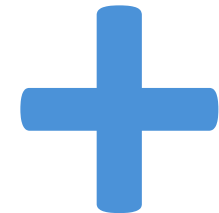
**Procedures** adopted  
(incl. SBM rules, appeal &  
grievance)

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**Tool** adopted  
(sustainable development)

80

**Forms** adopted  
(incl. SBM rules, appeal &  
grievance)



# Article 6.4: PACM, Open for Business



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## Projects

- **11** of 1,508 CDM transition requests **registered**
- **1,075** prior consideration notifications from **106** host Parties underway

## Methodologies

- **5–6 methodologies** to be adopted in Q2 2026

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## Designated Operational Entities

-  **6 DOEs accredited** out of 20 applicants
- **4 DOEs** recommended for accreditation

## Issuance

- The first Article 6.4 Emission Reductions (A6.4 ERs) expected to be issued within this year

# Article 6 Capacity Building activities



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**Capacity Building Events organized globally by the Secretariat (including through the RCCs):**

**120**

*of which:*

*Virtual*

*In-person*

*70*

*50*

**Article 6 Technical Expert Review Training** (approx. 150 people trained or more)

**Direct country support**

**7**

### **New Knowledge Products:**

1. A.6 guidance on reporting and
2. Article 6 Explainer Series (4 planned, 1 launched):  
**Launched** – Art 6.4 Host Party Participation Requirements Form
  - **In process due by mid October:**
    1. Understanding the PACM
    2. Transitioning from CDM to PACM (Explainer)
    3. Unlocking Article 6 Potential and Catalyzing Climate Change
  - **CDM Transition to PACM Video Series:**  
Developed by the A6CB Unit due for launch in end September, followed by special regional clinics organized by RCCs and Secretariat

# Thank you!

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