

# How can SIDS harness capacity building for Article 6 cooperation?

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# Setting the scene

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- **SIDS have been bypassed by international carbon markets in the past**
- SIDS experiences with CDM concentrated in a handful of countries in different regions
  - Latin America/Caribbean region: Dominican Republic: renewable energy generation.
  - Asia & Pacific region: Papua New Guinea: waste management.
  - Africa/Indian Ocean – Mauritius: renewable energy sector, particularly Solar PV
  - Several **cookstove PoAs** undertaken in Fiji, Haiti, Timor-Leste and Vanuatu
- **How can this be prevented under Article 6? The side event discusses approaches to **capacity** building in SIDS involving **North-South** and **South-South** collaboration, including **simplification of methodologies****
  - Dominica, Dominican Republic, Vanuatu: **Article 6 pilots** (Switzerland, Sweden)

# Relevance of Article 6 capacity building

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- **Urgent need for policy instruments to bridge the significant ambition gap between current NDCs and the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement**
- **International carbon markets have high cost-saving potential, which can contribute to enhancing ambition of mitigation action**
- **New, more complex Article 6 requirements for governments compared to CDM enhance importance of comprehensive capacity building**
- **Important to capitalise on the experiences of international carbon market capacity building to date and complement it with broader support for NDC planning, implementation, reporting and accounting**
- Capacities required for Article 6 engagement include:
  - **Host country government oversight and governance** functions, meeting Article 6 participation requirements (such as NDC integration)
  - **Market participants: navigate Article 6 regulatory requirements** relating to activity cycle
  - Specialised service providers for **activity documentation** and **methodology development**
  - Independent **third-party auditing**

# Key elements of an Article 6 strategy



# South-South cooperation for Article 6

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- **Establishment of South-South cooperation channels is critical for sharing country experiences on NDC implementation and carbon market activities across the regions**
  - **One of the most effective and holistic approaches to capacity building that leaves no one behind**
  - **‘Learning by knowing’ and ‘peer-to-peer’ knowledge sharing provides learning through a practical approach that can encourage peers to actively engage and make strides in Article 6 implementation**
  - **This in-turn will enhance local human capacity of all relevant stakeholders, ensuring a sustainable and inclusive carbon market action**
  - **Regional South-South cooperation can be built on knowledge products such as trainings, workshops, guidebooks etc.**
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# Today's agenda

Topic	Speaker(s)
How Article 6 could contribute to closing gaps in Seychelles' NDC	Mr. Wills Agricole, Special Advisor, Ministry of Agriculture, Climate Change and Energy, Republic of Seychelles
South-South capacity building – transferring Article 6 capacity from Africa to Caribbean SIDS	Mr. Christian Fleischer, Perspectives Climate Research
Innovative financing for blue carbon activities in Seychelles through Article 6 and blended finance	Ms Marie-May Jeremie, Seychelles Conservation and Climate Adaptation Trust (SeyCCAT)
Regional alliances as tools for Article 6 capacity building – the case of Africa	Ms Kaja Weldner, Perspectives Climate Research
The International Initiative for Development of Article 6 Methodology Tools – facilitating access to Article 6.4	Ms Aayushi Singh, Perspectives Climate Research
Discussion of entire panel, and with the audience	Moderated by Axel Michaelowa, Perspectives Climate Research



# Panel discussion

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# Thank you for your participation!

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