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Carbon Finance at IFC: Building for the Future

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As the private sector arm of the World Bank Group, IFC has been successfully assessing and assuming risks in emerging markets for the last 50 years



As of June 2005, IFC had investment commitments of \$19.3 billion in 1,300+ companies in 115+ countries





IFC's investment portfolio provides clues...



...to why IFC is interested in emissions trading

- Carbon will be key value driver in IFC's operations going forward
 - Energy (power generation, oil & gas, mining)
 - Infrastructure (utilities, transport, logistics)
 - Industry (manufacturing, chemicals, agribusiness)
 - Financial Intermediaries (channels for new products)
- Private sector is key
 - Most significant seller of project-based credits; will soon be most significant buyer
 - Will be primary conduit for trading and risk management
- Huge potential for investment in carbon market-related businesses and products
 - Traditional project finance products
 - New financing and risk mitigation products



IFC's Carbon Finance Activities

- Carbon Finance Unit
 - In-house resource for all carbon finance-related issues
 - Manages \$150+ M in two carbon finance facilities INCaF & NECaF
 - on behalf of the Government of the Netherlands
 - Takes lead in development of new products for the carbon market
- Provide flexible financing to carbon-rich projects incl. equity
 - Leverage in-house carbon market-related expertise
 - \$10 M equity invested in AgCert pre-IPO in April 2005
 - Targeted debt facilities being considered with several local banks
- Strategy going forward
 - Move beyond intermediation: IFC to take risk in the carbon market for its own account
 - Several new structured finance products ready



IFC's Carbon Finance Facilities

- Two facilities to purchase carbon credits established in cooperation with the Dutch Government
- INCaF (IFC-Netherlands Carbon Facility)
 - recently expanded
 - \$120 M to buy credits from CDM projects in Latin America, Asia, Africa
- NECaF (Netherlands European Carbon Facility)
 - \$35 M to buy credits from JI projects in Central & Eastern Europe
- Current Status
 - \$25 M committed in 3 CDM projects
 - \$60 M to be committed in 4-6 more CDM & JI projects by June 2006



Pipeline of Carbon Projects

Current CDM Pipeline

- Bagasse cogen India, Brazil, Central America
- (Bundles of) Small hydro Brazil, India, Sri Lanka
- Landfill gas capture and use Argentina, Brazil, China
- Waste mgt/biogas-based power gen Thailand, Mexico, China
- Wind India, China, Middle East
- MSW-to-energy India
- Suppression of coal seam fires India
- Avoided industrial emissions Brazil
- Geothermal Indonesia

Current JI Pipeline

- Waste natural gas collection and utilization Hungary
- Cogeneration Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine Landfill gas capture and use – multiple countries in CEE Wind farms – Hungary Avoided gas flaring - Russia Avoided industrial emissions - Russia



Delivering New Financial Products

- Leverage IFC's ability to manage and take long term project and credit risk in emerging markets
 - Move beyond intermediation
- Carbon Delivery Guarantee (CDG)
 - Guarantee delivery of (EU ETS quality) CERs
 - Provide buyers with comfort; qualifying sellers get a premium
 - Forward pricing can be indexed or fixed
- Monetize future cashflows from sales of carbon credits
 - Mezzanine finance structure
 - Complementary with CDG



Carbon Delivery Guarantee

- Delivery of credits depends on risks that are par for the course
 - Generation of credits (project performance risk)
 - Compensation for underperformance (project credit risk)
 - Other (regulatory, political, etc.)
- IFC will pool credits and provide AAA-rated delivery guarantee to buyers
 - Compliance buyers unwilling to take emerging market risks for forward contracts
 - FIs want to manage portfolio risk and certainty for hedging purposes
 - Buyers treated akin to counterparties for derivative products
 - IFC as counterparty offers more than financial comfort
- Qualifying sellers will get 1.5-2x current market prices for their credits
 - Premium possible as credits get market-based pricing for AAA counterparty
 - Creditworthy companies provides guarantee to IFC for now
 - Seniority, volume considerations





What is in it for IFC?

- Ties in with IFC's mandate to promote sustainable development
 - Leverages IFC's balance sheet to promote environment-friendly projects in emerging markets
- Financial innovation helps unlock value for emerging market projects
 - Collaborate with the private sector to design and launch products and services for the carbon market
- Helps developed country partners meet their obligations under the Kyoto Protocol
 - Private sector or shareholder governments



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What is in it for Project Companies?

- Allows for improved risk-reward choices in the carbon market
 - Higher carbon revenues could provide competitive advantage
- Opens up alternative financing options
 - CERPA with IFC can be monetized to raise FX debt
- Optimizes shareholder returns
 - Not all projects are created equal



What is in it for the Buyers?

- Counterparty is only AAA-rated institution focused entirely on financing projects in developing countries
 - Core competency offers advantages in this business
 - Track record of profitability spanning 50 years
- Counterparty is the leader in environment & social development issues
 - "Equator Principles" 30+ banks from ~15 countries have signed up
 - Sustainable development by adding value
- Counterparty has ability to deliver
 - Significant experience with carbon markets
 - Access to deals: IFC projects & extensive field presence





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