



Article 6 Implementation Partnership Center

The Article 6 Implementation Partnership (A6IP) aims to support capacity building for the countries and relevant stakeholders that implement Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It promotes the formation of higher quality emission reduction projects by utilizing high integrity credits to which corresponding adjustments are applied in accordance with the rules of Article 6. The A6IP Center, the Secretariat of the A6IP, is managed by the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) and implements activities in cooperation with international organizations, in particular the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement (UNFCCC Secretariat) and the World Bank.

Support Package: How A6IP Can Support Member Country NDC Achievement and Enhancement

Through the implementation of Article 6, the A6IP customizes each Support Package based on the needs, priorities, and readiness status of a partner country, in order to facilitate and support the achievement of the country's current NDC and its enhancement in the next cycle of the NDC. The A6IP offers a full Support Package or individually selected support options. Here's a breakdown of the available options:

- **Article 6 Strategy:** The establishment of Article 6 priorities and strategy (i.e., guiding principles, the scope and ambition of Article 6 participation, and eligibility criteria for engaging in Article 6); quantitative analysis of abatement potential and abatement costs including just transition considerations; and assessments of gaps and opportunities for Article 6 engagement.
- **Authorization:** The establishment of legal and institutional frameworks for the authorization process, which outline for instance the scope of authorization, the timing of authorization, conditions for authorizing mitigation activities, and the template for the Letter of Authorization.
- **Reporting:** The preparation for the Initial Report, the Annual Report, and the Report on Regular Information consistent with the timelines and requirements of Article 6 reporting; the methods for corresponding adjustments of emission balance; and the interplay between Article 6 reporting and Article 13 transparency reporting.
- **Tracking:** The use of a national registry or the use of an international registry to be used for registration, authorization, transfer, and cancellation of internationally transferred mitigation outcomes.
- **Project Initiation:** The preparation of an Article 6 project pipeline; feasibility assessments of potential Article 6 projects; and the development of Article 6 project concepts seeking for Article 6 financing or blended carbon and climate finance.
- **Methodology Development:** The development of methodologies for estimating mitigation outcomes from eligible Article 6 projects; the development and application of a baseline.

- **Additional Areas of Topics:** A6IP is open to various areas of topics and consultation with partner countries and institutions.

A6IP Support Package Offer Process

The A6IP Center, collaboratively works with various partners to develop a Support Package tailored to a partner country's priorities or needs. The A6IP Center collaboratively interacts with partner countries and partner institutions using a consultative approach, to shape and implement the Support Package. Here's a step-by-step guide to how the A6IP Center collaboratively designs this package:

- **STEP 1 Invitation to Partner Country for Support Package Development:** An email invitation will be sent to the partner country inviting them to develop a support package tailored to their needs and priorities.
- **STEP 2 Expression of interest:** Partner countries keen on the Support Package can initiate the process by expressing their interest via email at a6_partnership@iges.or.jp.
- **STEP 3 Organize Online or In Person Consultation:** Upon receipt of the expression of interest, the A6IP Center will arrange an online or in person meeting with the interested partner country. The goal is to gauge the country's priorities and pinpoint opportunities within the framework of Article 6.
- **STEP 4 Propose Draft Support Package:** Coordination with the partner country in order to develop a draft proposal of the support package.
- **STEP 5 Capacity Building Coordination:** Post consultation, the A6IP Center will guide the partner country in tapping into A6IP's expansive partner network. The aim is to ensure seamless and synergistic collaboration amongst various stakeholders.
- **STEP 6 A6IP Support Package Implementation:** The A6IP Center presents a tailored offer, addressing the country's unique needs and augmenting the support solutions already provided by our partner ecosystem.

Support Package Timeline

The Support Package is designed in accordance with the milestones in 2024 and 2025 which are central to NDC implementation and NDC enhancement in the first two NDC cycles (Figure 1).

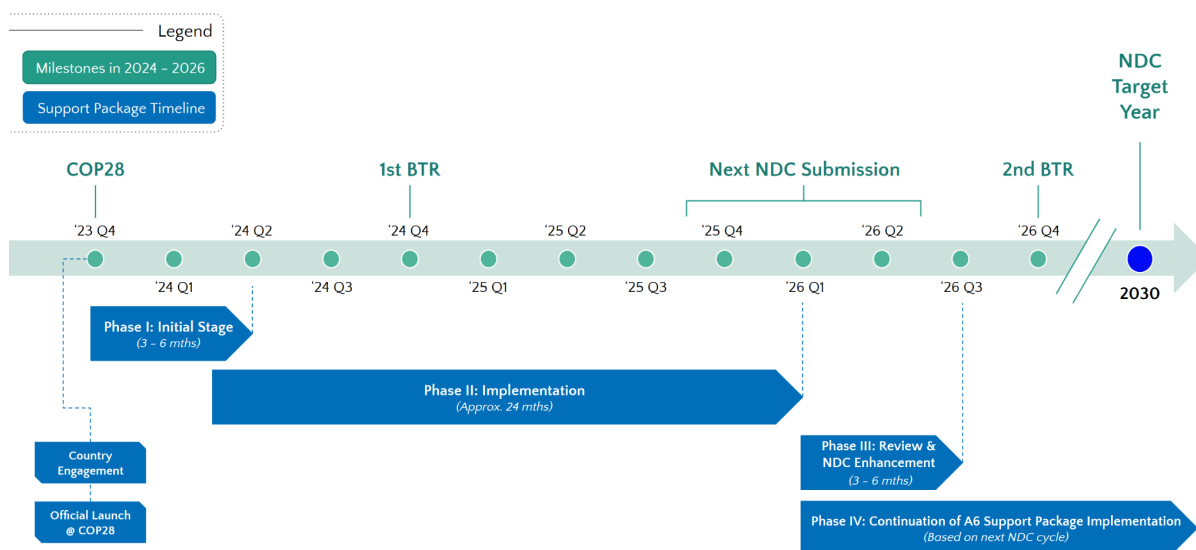


Figure 1 Milestones in Article 6 and 13 reporting and review in 2024-2026 as well as timeline of a Support Package

A6IP Support Package: A Four-Phase Journey

In Q4, 2023, the A6IP Center plans to approach member countries to gauge their interest in the Support Package, aiming for its grand unveiling at COP 28. This Support Package unfolds in three meticulously designed phases:

- **Phase I—Crafting the Offer:**
Duration: 3-6 months.
Process: The A6IP Center collaborates with the interested country, navigating through the structured six-step support package offer process to shape a bespoke package. Concurrently, the Center aids in capacity enhancement, ensuring the country is primed for Article 6 engagement.
- **Phase II—Implementation:**
Commencement: Q1, 2024.
Duration: Roughly 24 months.
Scope: Here, the A6IP Center and the country delve deep into the implementation of the Support Package, targeting domains such as strategy design, authorization protocols, regular reporting, activity tracking, project inception, and baseline establishment.
Key Activities: This phase is marked by a flurry of initiatives ranging from capacity building, fostering awareness, crafting tools, to disseminating expertise.
- **Phase III—Review and NDC Enhancement:** The e A6IP Center and the country of interest Evaluate and analyze all Article 6 related endeavors, both concluded and underway. Drawing from tangible outcomes, the A6IP Center, in unison with the country, will unearth avenues to amplify the country's NDC. The strategy will leverage the potential of Article 6 mechanisms for the upcoming NDC cycle.
- **Phase IV—Continuation of Article 6 Support Package Implementation:** Based on the next cycle of NDC

With these phases, the A6IP Center ensures a comprehensive, phased, and structured approach towards Article 6 alignment for member countries.