



Group Exercise: Authorization consideration

Exercise Scenario

You are members of the national authority of Country A responsible for authorizing the use of ITMOs under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. You are asked to review 3 proposed mitigation projects requesting authorization and decide whether to provide authorization and why/ why not.

Scenario:

You have received three project proposals:

- 1. Project 1: Small-scale Hydropower Project:** A run-of-river hydropower plant is proposed to provide clean energy to rural communities, displacing fossil fuel-based electricity generation.
- 2. Project 2: REDD+ Project:** A project aims to reduce deforestation and forest degradation in a mountainous region, contributing to carbon sequestration and biodiversity conservation.
- 3. Project 3: Climate-Smart Agriculture Project:** This project aims to promote sustainable and climate-resilient agricultural practices among smallholder farmers in rural areas. This could include activities such as drought-resistant crop varieties, implementing water-efficient irrigation systems, promoting agroforestry and soil conservation techniques.

Country A's Profile

Country A's NDC

NDC target:

- **Unconditional NDC:** A reduction of 100,000 tCO₂eq from 2020 level by 2030
- **Conditional NDC:** A reduction of up to 200,000 tCO₂eq from 2020 level by 2030

NDC target type: Single-year NDC

NDC coverage: All sectors, excluding LULUCF

Measures identified under unconditional NDC	Est. tCO ₂ eq/y reduction by 2030
Renewable Energy (Solar and Wind)	40,000
Electric vehicles penetration in urban areas	20,000
Improved energy efficiency in high carbon intensity industries	10,000
Sustainable rice cultivation management	20,000
Sustainable municipal solid waste management	10,000

Exercise Sheet

In your group, please discuss the results of your assessment and what are the criteria used by your group to determine whether Country A should provide authorization to such project and under which conditions.

Project:

Authorization decision: YES / NO
If yes, under the following conditions:

Aspects	Conditions/requirements
Ensuring contribution to NDC / avoid overselling	
Promoting sustainable development / safeguards	
Ensuring environmental integrity; quality of mitigation outcomes	
Other aspects (If any) (Please specify)	