

# Application of the Oeko-Institut/WWF-US/ EDF methodology for assessing the quality of carbon credits

This document presents results from the application of version 3.0 of a methodology, developed by Oeko-Institut, World Wildlife Fund (WWF-US) and Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), for assessing the quality of carbon credits. The methodology is applied by Oeko-Institut with support by Carbon Limits, Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI), INFRAS, Stockholm Environment Institute, and individual carbon market experts. This document evaluates one specific criterion or sub-criterion with respect to a specific carbon crediting program, project type, quantification methodology and/or host country, as specified in the below table. Please note that the CCQI website <u>Site terms and Privacy Policy</u> apply with respect to any use of the information provided in this document. Further information on the project and the methodology can be found here: www.carboncreditquality.org

Sub-criterion:	2.2.1: Avoiding double issuance due to double registration
Carbon crediting program:	CDM
Assessment based on carbon crediting program documents valid as of:	30 June 2021
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Score:	1

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## **Assessment**

#### Indicator 2.2.1.1

## Relevant scoring methodology provisions

"The program has basic provisions in place which manages the transition of projects from one to another program and either avoids registration of the same project under two programs or, if double registration is permitted, has basic provisions in place to ensure that carbon credits for the same emission reductions or removals cannot be issued under the same program or must be cancelled under one program before they can be issued under another."

## Information sources considered

- 1 CDM project cycle procedures for project activities, version 03.0, CDM-EB93-A06-PROC, available at <a href="https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110741000/pc\_proc03\_v03.0.pdf">https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110741000/pc\_proc03\_v03.0.pdf</a>
- 2 CDM project standard for project activities, version 03.0, CDM-EB93-A04-STAN, available at <a href="https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921115752577/reg\_stan04\_v03.0.pdf">https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921115752577/reg\_stan04\_v03.0.pdf</a>
- 3 CDM project standard for programme of activities, version 03.0, CDM-EB93-A07-STAN, available at <a href="https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921115735176/reg\_stan03\_v03.0.pdf">https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921115735176/reg\_stan03\_v03.0.pdf</a>
- 4 CDM project cycle procedure for programmes of activities, version 03.0, CDM-EB93-A09-PROC, available at <a href="https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110723406/pc\_proc02\_v03.0.pdf">https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110723406/pc\_proc02\_v03.0.pdf</a>

## Relevant carbon crediting program provisions

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#### Assessment outcome

No (0 points).

## Justification of assessment

There are no provisions in place for managing the transition of projects from one to another program. The indicator is therefore not fulfilled.

#### Indicator 2.2.1.2

## Relevant scoring methodology provisions

"The program also requires legal attestations from project owners which confirm that they have not and will not request issuance of carbon credits for emission reductions or removals from more than one program."

## Information sources considered

- 1 CDM project cycle procedures for project activities, version 03.0, CDM-EB93-A06-PROC, available at <a href="https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110741000/pc\_proc03\_v03.0.pdf">https://cdm.unfccc.int/sunsetcms/storage/contents/stored-file-20210921110741000/pc\_proc03\_v03.0.pdf</a>
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## Relevant carbon crediting program provisions

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#### Assessment outcome

No (0 points).

## Justification of assessment

There are no provisions in place on legal attestation from project owners to avoid double issuance. The indicator is therefore not fulfilled.

## Indicator 2.2.1.3

## Relevant scoring methodology provisions

"The program also conducts checks, or requires validation and verification entities to verify, that already registered projects have not, and will not, be issued carbon credits in any other programs for emission reductions or removals for which the program is also issuing carbon credits (unless the credits have been cancelled under other programs prior to reissuance under the current program)."

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## Relevant carbon crediting program provisions

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#### Assessment outcome

No (0 points).

## Justification of assessment

There are no provisions for conducting checks or requiring validation and verification entities to verify that already registered projects have not and will not be issued carbon credits in other programs.

## **Scoring results**

According to the above assessment, the carbon crediting program fulfills none of the indicators above and thus receives 0 out of 4 achievable points. Applying the scoring approach of the methodology, this results in a score of 1.