

**SINGAPORE AND BHUTAN SUBSTANTIVELY CONCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS ON IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT TO COLLABORATE ON CARBON CREDITS**

1. Singapore and Bhutan have substantively concluded negotiations on an Implementation Agreement on carbon credits collaboration.
2. The Implementation Agreement will enable the generation and international transfer of carbon credits aligned with Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It will set out the framework and processes for developing carbon credit projects and transfer of carbon credits between the countries. Such collaboration can unlock additional mitigation outcomes – which would otherwise not be possible – to advance both countries’ climate ambitions. This will be the fourth IA that Singapore has substantively concluded, and when signed, will be the first IA that Singapore signs with a carbon negative country.
3. Singapore is committed to ensure the integrity, quality and transparency of carbon markets. This includes robust and independent accounting, and the avoidance of double counting of mitigation outcomes, including requirement for corresponding adjustments. The collaboration will also prioritise sustainable development and co-benefits to the Bhutan local communities and economy.
4. On the sidelines of COP28, Deputy Secretary (Industry) of the Ministry of Trade and Industry Keith Tan met with Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Dasho Karma Tshering, to reaffirm both countries’ commitment to advance global climate action. Deputy Secretary (Industry) Tan said, “We look forward to working with Bhutan to scale carbon markets of high environmental integrity. This collaboration takes us a step closer to meeting our respective climate targets and advancing global climate ambition.”

**Annex A: Photo of the Implementation Agreement Signing**

**Annex B: Factsheet on the Implementation Agreement between**

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Photo of Meeting with Bhutan Counterparts



Caption: Deputy Secretary (Industry) of the Ministry of Trade and Industry Keith Tan met with Secretary, Bhutan Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Dasho Karma Tshering (Left), where they announced that Singapore and Bhutan have substantively concluded negotiations on an Implementation Agreement on carbon credits collaboration. Also present was Director General, Department of Environment and Climate Change, Bhutan Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources Tashi Pem (Right).

Implementation Agreement Factsheet

- Singapore and Bhutan have substantively concluded negotiations on the Implementation Agreement on Carbon Credits Cooperation, a framework agreement to enable the bilateral transfer of carbon credits, aligned with Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, on the sidelines of COP28.
- The Implementation Agreement will set out the processes and criteria for carbon credit projects to be developed and to subsequently generate carbon credits. These carbon credits can be transferred from Bhutan to Singapore and used to meet emission targets in countries' Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC).
- A project applicant may register a carbon credit project under this Implementation Agreement, and trade the carbon credits.
- Carbon tax liable companies in Singapore will be able to purchase carbon credits generated under this Implementation Agreement to offset up to 5% of their taxable emissions. Carbon credits can also be used for other purposes, including voluntary corporate targets.
- Singapore aims to achieve net zero emissions by 2050, and Singapore is committed to advancing global climate action through international collaboration with like-minded partners.
- Singapore has also concluded substantive negotiations on Implementation Agreements with Ghana, Paraguay, and Vietnam, and has signed MOUs to collaborate on carbon credits with Cambodia, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Indonesia, Kenya, Mongolia, Morocco, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Rwanda, and Sri Lanka.