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## From Momentum to Maturity: Advancing Carbon Market Infrastructure and Integrity

The October–December quarter marked a phase of consolidation and progress for the Global Carbon Council, with continued advancement across project registration, Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI), digital systems, and institutional engagement. These developments were complemented by strengthened work on nature-based solutions and broader market readiness.

Building on the outcomes of COP30, this quarter reflected a clear shift from global dialogue to implementation—focusing on operational robustness, transparency, and the systems required to support high-integrity carbon markets at scale. Progress across infrastructure and governance underscores GCC's commitment to ensuring that market growth is matched by credibility and trust.

As carbon markets evolve, GCC remains focused on enabling reliable, inclusive pathways for climate finance and emissions mitigation, particularly across the Global South.



## Chairman's Message

The October–December 2025 quarter has been a period of remarkable momentum for the Global Carbon Council (GCC), marked by tangible progress, strengthened partnerships, and operational consolidation. At COP30 in Belém, Brazil, we witnessed the power of high-integrity carbon markets to connect communities, governments, and industries in the shared mission of climate action.

This quarter, GCC advanced not just discussions but measurable outcomes. We expanded our Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI) to new countries, operationalized Article 6.2 readiness, and strengthened our network of project developers, VVBs, and regional stakeholders. Through our fully digital GCC 2.0 platform, we processed 1591 new project submissions, registered numerous projects, and issued over 3.6 million ACCs this quarter, bringing transparency, efficiency, and credibility to global carbon markets.

Equally important has been the human and ecological impact behind these numbers. From empowering farmers and local communities through Nature-based Solutions projects, to supporting industrial decarbonization and low-carbon technology adoption, our work drives real-world climate outcomes while creating socio-economic benefits. Our mangrove and peatland initiatives exemplify how science, innovation, and collaboration converge to protect ecosystems and contribute to the global net-zero transition.

Looking ahead, GCC remains steadfast in our mission to make high-integrity carbon markets accessible, credible, and scalable. We will continue to support governments, corporates, and communities, leveraging technology, rigorous methodologies, and international partnerships to accelerate climate finance and tangible mitigation outcomes.

Our achievements this quarter reaffirm that progress is measured not only in credits issued or methodologies developed, but in the trust, we build, the ecosystems we protect, and the climate impact we deliver. I am deeply proud of our team and partners for their dedication and vision. Together, we are not just advancing carbon markets, we are shaping a sustainable, inclusive future for all.

# Project Registration Highlights

## Progress in Motion

GCC continues to expand its global portfolio of high-integrity carbon projects, reflecting consistent progress across the project registration process and sustained growth of the GCC portfolio, underpinned by robust review mechanisms and strong stakeholder engagement.

### Registered Projects

**189**  
Projects  
Registered

As of December 2025, **189 projects** are registered under the GCC framework, representing a growing pipeline of verified climate solutions. Between October and December 2025, approximately **20 projects** successfully completed registration. These milestones reflect the continued engagement of project developers and stakeholders, as well as the rigorous review processes applied under the GCC framework.

*These numbers signify not just statistics, but a testament to the unwavering commitment and collaboration of stakeholders across the globe.*

### New Submissions on GCC 2.0

GCC's fully digital **GCC 2.0 platform** continues to enhance efficiency and transparency in project submissions and registration. During the fourth quarter of 2025, **12 new projects** were submitted through the platform, reinforcing GCC's commitment to streamlined processes and high standards of credibility.

**1591 Total Projects Submitted**

Every registered project enhances GCC's network of high-integrity carbon initiatives, ensuring that verified reductions translate into real-world climate outcomes aligned with Net Zero pathways.

1	2	4	4	72	3	149	1
Afghanistan	Argentina	Azerbaijan	Belarus	Brazil	Chile	China	Colombia
2	13	1	2	762	6	6	6
Dominican Republic	Egypt	Gabon	Hungary	India	Indonesia	Jordan	Kazakhstan
2	8	1	4	1	2	4	1
Kenya	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Liberia	Morocco	Myanmar	Namibia	Nepal	Oman
18	1	2	1	5	1	5	2
Pakistan	Palestine	State of Peru	Philippines	Qatar	Republic of Kosovo	Russian Federation	Rwanda
2	3	8	1	10	346	1	2
Saudi Arabia	Serbia	South Africa	Sri Lanka	Thailand	Türkiye	Uganda	Ukraine
7	3	108	4	1	1	1	1
United Arab Emirates	Uzbekistan	Viet Nam	United States	Ghana	Mexico	Nigeria	Maldives

In this edition, we shine a spotlight on two remarkable projects of this quarter that exemplify innovation, sustainability, and impact within the community.

### 10 MW Solar Project in Karnataka



The project activity is a solar power project with a total capacity of 10 MW implemented in Halagaladdi, Hiriyur taluk, Chitradurga district, Karnataka, India. The electricity (16,623 MWh/year) generated from the project activity is supplied to the Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited (BESCOM).

#### Emission Reductions

Annual average of  
**15,545 TCO<sub>2</sub>e**

#### Methodology

**AMS I.D**  
Grid-connected renewable electricity generation

#### Project Owner

**Azure Power India Private Limited**

#### Country

**India**

#### Environmental

- Reducing carbon emissions
- Proper waste management plans for hazardous waste and solid waste
- Proper waste management plans for E- waste and end-of-life of products
- Monitoring ground water consumption
- Using renewable energy to replace fossil fuels

#### Social

- Creating long-term jobs
- Proper health and safety Management
- Specialized training and education
- Proper sanitation and waste management
- Empowering women
- Protecting human rights; no discrimination, no child and forced labor



**Do-No-Harm Risk Assessment**

#### Contribution to SDGs



The project will deliver 16,623 MWh/year of renewable energy on an average



The project creates jobs, ensuring equal employment and salary opportunities for women and men.



Reducing GHG emissions.

## Kovanlık Reg. ve HES



The project activity is a channel type hydropower plant with a total capacity of 57.215 Mwe located in Bulancak district of Giresun province with the purpose of contributing to the national economy to meeting the increased electricity demand. The project is located on the Eastern Black Sea basin of the Bulancak district of Giresun province.

### Emission Reductions

Annual average of  
**87,947 TCO<sub>2</sub>e**

### Methodology

**ACM0002**  
Grid-connected electricity generation from renewable sources

### Project Owner

**Kovanlık Enerji Üretim San. ve Tic. A.Ş.  
-GTE KARBON SÜRDÜRÜLEBİLİR ENERJİ EĞİTİM DANIŞMANLIK VE TİCARET A.Ş.**

### Country

**Turkey**

### Environmental

- Reducing carbon emissions
- Proper waste management plans for hazardous waste and solid waste from E-waste and EoL products
- Implementing land restoration and soil stabilization plans
- Protection of species diversity
- Maintaining clean and reliable river water flow
- Implemented wastewater management plans

### Social

- Creating long-term jobs
- Proper health and safety Management
- Proper sanitation and waste management
- Empowering women
- Protecting human rights; no discrimination, no child and forced labor

### Do-No-Harm Risk Assessment

### Contribution to SDGs



The project will deliver 197,390 MWh/year renewable energy on an average



The project creates jobs, ensuring equal employment and salary opportunities for women and men.



Reducing GHG emissions.

## Issuance Snapshot: Testament to Progress

Between October and December 2025, GCC continued to support measurable carbon reductions, enabling projects and stakeholders across regions to translate climate action into verified outcomes. Key highlights include:



**Q4 2025 Issuance:** 3,673,150 ACCs issued from October to December 2025.



**Cumulative Issuance:** Total issuance reaches 15,968,150 ACCs.



**ACC Issuance Requests Under Assessment:** 21 projects are currently under assessment for forthcoming ACC issuances, totaling approximately 14 million ACCs.



**GCC 2.0 Project Portal:** Over 23 PMRs submitted under the new portal, representing a total potential of 15 million credits. Additionally, 3 projects are transitioning from GCC 1.0 to GCC 2.0 standards via the PRC route.

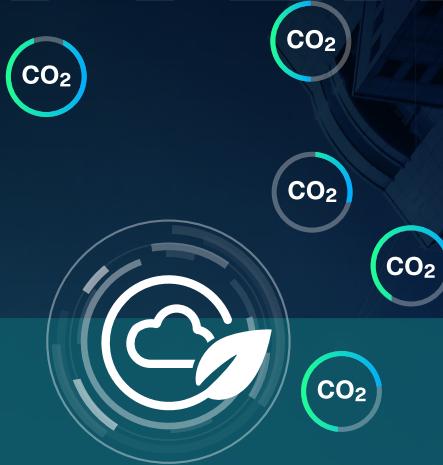
These achievements demonstrate GCC's continued commitment to **operational excellence, regulatory compliance, and enabling projects to deliver high-integrity, tradable carbon credits** that drive real-world climate impact.

# Regulatory Progress

## Strengthening Standards

Between October and December 2025, the Global Carbon Council (GCC) made key regulatory advances to support market integrity, expand program coverage, and streamline project operations. Highlights include:

- **EAP Standard Published for Consultation:** GCC published the Energy Access Program (EAP) standard for Global Stakeholders Consultation (GSC), reinforcing transparency and inclusiveness in standard-setting.
- **DMRV-Enabled Methodologies Finalized:** The DMRV-enabled Distributed Renewable Energy (DRE) and Cookstove methodology for the EAP program were finalized, providing a robust framework for accurate, technology-driven monitoring, reporting, and verification.
- **Digital MRV Solution Provider Applications:** GCC received applications from two digital MRV solution providers seeking enlistment with the Council, reflecting growing interest in advanced monitoring solutions and digital infrastructure support.
- **CORSIA & ICVCM Regulatory Updates:** Regulatory documents are being updated to reflect developments in the 2nd phase of CORSIA and the ICVCM framework, ensuring alignment with emerging international carbon market requirements.
- **NbS Track Issuance Templates Finalized:** Issuance-related forms and templates for the Nature-based Solutions (NbS) track were finalized in the GCC 2.0 digital system, streamlining credit issuance and enhancing operational efficiency.
- **CCS Track Public Summary Framework:** GCC published the Project Submission Form (PSF) for the Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) track, providing clarity on project documentation and regulatory expectations for stakeholders.



# Verified for Impact: GCC's Expanding VVB Community

This quarter, GCC continued to strengthen its network of Approved Validation and Verification Bodies (VVBs), upholding the highest standards of integrity, accuracy, and credibility in carbon offset projects. Key updates include:



## Carbon Check (India) Private Limited (CC IPL):

Approval updated in line with Article 6.4 accreditation.



## Enviance Services Private Limited:

Approved for an additional scope extension.



## VVB Renewals:

Renewal for 3 VVBs is currently in progress and expected to be completed in Q1 2026.



## GCC 2.0 Enhancements:

Work is ongoing on an enhanced VVB Management and Performance Monitoring module within the GCC 2.0 portal.

These updates reflect GCC's commitment to robust verification processes and the continuous strengthening of its global VVB community.



# Innovation for Impact: GCC's Latest Methodologies

## Top-Down Methodology Development

- **Scaling-Up Energy Efficient Buildings and Neighborhoods** – The methodology has been submitted to the Review Committee and has received comments.
- **Green Hydrogen for Low-Carbon Ammonia** – This methodology has been published for the Global Stakeholders Committee (GSC).
- **Grid-Connected Renewable Energy Plants Wheeling Electricity to Third-Party Users** – The response to comments from the Review Committee has been submitted for review.
- **Avoidance of Methane from Rice Cultivation** – The methodology has been submitted to the Review Committee and comments have been received.
- **Biomass Carbon Conversion to Durable Biochar** – The methodology has been submitted to the Review Committee and is under review.
- **Reducing Emission Intensity in the Dairy Sector (Enteric Fermentation)** – This methodology is currently under development.
- **Energy Access Program: Clean Cooking Transitions using DMRV Protocol** – The methodology has been submitted to the Review Committee and comments have been received.
- **Energy Access Program: Electrification of Communities using DMRV Protocol** – The methodology has been submitted to the Review Committee.
- **Substituting Fossil Fuel-Based Lighting with LED/CFL Systems using DMRV Protocol** – This methodology is currently under development.

## Bottom-Up Methodology Assessment

- **Plugging Oil and Gas Wells** – Developed by Orbis Carbon, this methodology is currently under assessment.
- **Recovery and Recycling of Materials from Solid Waste at Large Scale** – The concept note submitted by Al Dhafra is currently under assessment.
- **Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage in the Construction & Infrastructure Sector** – Prepared by Pi-Green, the concept note has been received and is under review.
- **Conservation and Restoration of Marine Ecosystems** – Led by GAIT Global, covering mangroves, seagrasses, and saltmarshes, this methodology is currently under assessment.
- **Monitoring and Protection of Forests from Fires via Video Surveillance System** – Developed by Rusal, the concept note has been received and is under review.

# Nature-based Solutions (NbS)

## Program Updates



GCC continues to advance Nature-based Solutions (NbS) as a strategic pillar of its carbon market program. By integrating high-integrity methodologies, digital monitoring systems, and operational processes, the NbS program supports measurable climate action and positions GCC to scale NbS projects effectively.

Between October and December 2025, the NbS program achieved several key operational and technical milestones:

### Methodologies Developed / Advanced:

- MA003 (Rewetting drained peatland) was published, providing a robust framework for restoration and improving peatland.
- Based on high-integrity principles and measured data, we are developing a conservative yet practical RS/GIS-based methodology, building on existing RS Guidance and further refining it to ensure strong alignment with on-the-ground conditions. Beyond AFOLU, RS/GIS and digital MRV technologies will also be embedded in new methodologies for blue carbon and biodiversity-based resilience.

### Project Submissions:

- GCC received its first NbS Project Concept Form (PCF), demonstrating operational readiness of methodologies, documentation, and digital systems.

### Digital MRV Integration:

- The NbS workflow, from PCF submission through validation and registration, was fully integrated into the GCC 2.0 Projects Portal, enabling scalable, transparent, and repeatable operations.

## Capacity Building & Strategic Partnerships:

GCC has advanced initiatives such as the ProClime webinars and the Indian Tea Association workshop, and will continue supporting regional readiness through diverse online and offline programmes. At QNDCC 2025, GCC positioned its NbS programme as a core instrument for regional climate action, emphasizing RS/GIS-based digital solutions suited to Middle Eastern conditions—underscoring that data-driven, regionally grounded approaches will shape the credibility and scalability of future carbon markets.

To deepen engagement in the Global South, GCC has signed MoUs with Korean public institutions, including the Korea Forest Service and KOTRA, strengthening cooperation across Asia.

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These achievements collectively demonstrate that GCC's NbS program has moved from concept to operational readiness, providing a solid foundation for future project registrations, credit issuances, and expanded NbS deployment.

## Strategic Outlook for 2026:



### From Standards to Systems

GCC will evolve from methodology development to building an integrated NbS market system—where standards, digital MRV, and market access function as one.



### Data-First Integrity

Observation-based baselines and RS/GIS safeguards will anchor NBS integrity, positioning GCC at the forefront of scalable, data-driven climate solutions.



### Global South as Market Architect

GCC will deepen its role in the Global South—not only as a registry, but as a market architect supporting governments in shaping NBS markets aligned with global frameworks.



### NBS as Climate Infrastructure

Nature-based solutions will be reframed as core climate infrastructure—embedded in national strategies, Article 6 readiness, and corporate transition pathways through GCC's platform.

# On Track: Advancing the GCC Article 6 National Registry

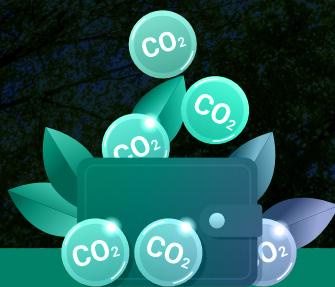
During the October–December quarter, GCC strengthened its Article 6-aligned registry infrastructure while advancing the deployment of its Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI) platform, supporting seamless country onboarding and high-integrity carbon market operations.

## Registry Operations and Account Management

- GCC successfully onboarded the Regional Voluntary Carbon Market Company (RVCM), along with 34 sub-accounts, enabling precise account-level tracking and transaction management.
- All 72 legacy GCC 2.0 projects were fully migrated to the new RasS Registry, ensuring alignment with upgraded registry governance and operational protocols.

## CMI Deployment and Country Readiness

- **Final launch of the CMI Platform** was achieved, marking GCC's operational readiness to facilitate Article 6-compliant carbon market transactions.
- **CMI deployment for Mali & Mauritania completed**, with full system integration and functional workflows.
- **Country Focal Points onboarded** and access successfully configured, enabling direct interaction with the platform for credit issuance, transfer, and reporting.
- **First major onboarding milestone** achieved, establishing a template for future country onboarding and digital registry operations.



## Registry activity snapshot

### Transfers

**1,304,632**  
carbon credits

### Retirements

**95,298**  
carbon credits

## Strategic Impact

The combined advancements in registry migration, account management, and CMI deployment ensure that GCC is fully prepared to support high-integrity, transparent, and scalable carbon markets. These operational achievements directly strengthen Article 6.2 readiness, enabling secure issuance of Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes (ITMOs) and fostering confidence among governments, buyers, and stakeholders worldwide.

## Buyer Engagement & Market Partnerships

GCC strengthened its relationships with institutional buyers, government programs, and strategic partners, reinforcing its position as a trusted provider of high-integrity carbon credits.

### Achievements & Activities

- Engaged 35+ institutional buyers and government purchasing programs across NYC Climate Week, COP30, and Istanbul, including EDF, Bezos Earth Fund, IATA, airline sector stakeholders, and major financial institutions such as Standard Chartered and Macquarie. These discussions are expected to generate a substantial carbon credit demand funnel once ICVCM accreditation is in place.

### Roundtables & High-Level Discussions

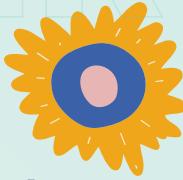
- Participated in invite-only Bloomberg data standardization roundtables, COP30 Article 6 registry infrastructure discussions, and Turkish market coordination sessions, establishing GCC as a preferred quality partner for government and institutional procurement.

### Strategic Collaborations

- Advanced partnerships with IATA for aviation sector decarbonization and CORSIA compliance.
- Developed carbon finance solutions with Standard Chartered and explored tokenization platforms with J.P. Morgan, supporting innovative market mechanisms.

### Global & Regional Momentum

- Built relationships across three continents, strengthening CMI activities, enabling government purchasing programs, and advancing high-integrity credit demand globally.



# GCC at COP30, Belém, Brazil

## Advancing High-Integrity Carbon Markets

GCC actively participated in COP30 in Belém, Brazil, hosting a series of technical sessions, workshops, and engagement platforms that highlighted high-integrity carbon markets, innovative methodologies, Nature-Based Solutions (NbS), digital infrastructure, and climate finance innovations. Over 50 expert speakers and more than 300 participants joined both online and in-person, creating a dynamic environment for knowledge sharing, collaboration, and technical discussions.



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**A key element of GCC's engagement was strengthening strategic partnerships through, country onboarding for article 6.2, MoUs and Agreements. These collaborations included:**

### Strategic Partnerships and Country Onboarding:

- Country Onboarding for article 6.2 – GCC team at COP30 successfully concluded the official onboarding process for countries with whom Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) had previously been signed, with handing over of official onboarding manual to the official representatives of Mauritania and Mali. Manual of third signatory country Nigar was shared through email.
- Misiones, Argentina – supporting provincial carbon policy, capacity-building, and adoption of GCC standards aligned with Article 6.2.
- Córdoba, Argentina – working on methodology adoption, stakeholder engagement, and carbon market development.
- ABEEólica, Brazil – advancing Brazil's wind energy sector and the broader carbon market ecosystem under Article 6.2.
- Burkina Faso – operationalizing the national carbon registry with Implementation of GCC's CMI Platform, supported by the West African Alliance for Carbon Markets and Climate Finance (WAA), enabling transparent, credible carbon transactions.
- ISMA, India – facilitating high-integrity carbon credit generation and capacity-building for the sugar and bio-energy sector.

## Workshops and Sessions:

- GCC hosted the Integrated and Interoperable Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI) workshops and the Bridging Domestic and Global Carbon Markets under Article 6.2 sessions, emphasizing the importance of host country authorization, predictable processes, and interoperable digital systems in mobilizing climate finance and enabling credible carbon transactions.

- Sessions on Climate Finance through Tokenization and Project Finance explored innovative approaches for fractionalized transfers and new financial instruments, in collaboration with JP Morgan and S&P Global, ensuring registry integrity and enhanced liquidity.
- The Digital MRV session demonstrated real-time monitoring solutions using IoT, AI, and distributed ledger technologies to strengthen traceability, immutability, and compliance across diverse project types.



## Methodologies and NbS Innovation:

- High-Integrity NbS sessions showcased AI, remote sensing, and innovative financing approaches for forest restoration, mangrove and reef rehabilitation, and AI-enabled fire detection, delivering measurable environmental and socio-economic benefits.
- Industrial decarbonization sessions addressed Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) and Low-Carbon Hydrogen technologies, with discussions on

methodology development, permanence, policy alignment, and large-scale deployment financing.

- GCC also presented next-generation mitigation methodologies across buildings, grid-integrated storage, methane reduction, biochar production, distributed renewables, and low-carbon hydrogen, aligned with ICVCM, CORSIA Phase 2, and Article 6.4 standards.



## Quotes from GCC Leadership



COP30 has reinforced that high-integrity carbon markets, supported by rigorous methodologies and innovative digital infrastructure like our CMI Platform, are critical to accelerating global climate action. By connecting domestic and international markets, enabling transparent governance, and integrating technology, we can deliver real impact for communities, protect ecosystems, and scale solutions worldwide."

**Dr. Yousef Alhorr, Founding Chairman, GCC**



COP30 helped GCC interact with countries and wider stakeholders to discuss how a futuristic, highly ambitious, and high-integrity carbon market looks like. Digital MRV, tokenization, carbon finance facilities, and the fully digitized CMI will raise necessary carbon finance across voluntary, domestic, and compliance (CORSIA and Article 6.2) markets. The skilled and dedicated GCC team is ready to deliver on these new challenges."

**Kishor Rajhansa, Chief Operating Officer, GCC**

### Impact and Strategic Takeaways:

GCC's COP30 participation reaffirmed its approach of integrating innovation, governance, and partnerships to:

- Accelerate high-integrity carbon market development.
- Enable operationalization of Article 6.2 cooperative approaches.
- Facilitate corporate and industrial decarbonization.
- Deliver measurable climate, environmental, and socio-economic benefits across countries and sectors.

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## GCC 2025 Governance

### Meetings in Doha

From 14–16 October, **the Global Carbon Council (GCC)** convened its Advisory Board, Steering, and Regulatory Committees in Doha to align on the future of high-integrity carbon markets.

The meetings focused on governance, regulatory updates, and strategic positioning, reinforcing GCC's leadership in transparency, innovation, and global climate impact.



#### Key highlights:

Facilitation and Implementation of Integrated and Interoperable Article 6.2 Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI) across countries.

Development of a carbon standard for clean energy access under the World Bank's program with provisions for digital reporting, verification, and real-time issuance.

180 projects registered and over 12 million carbon credits issued.

Advancement of Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) and Nature-based Solutions (NbS) programs.

Strengthening climate finance initiatives, stakeholder communication, and country-level engagement.

# Supporting Stakeholders & Strengthening Partnerships



GCC continues to deepen engagement with national governments, regional organizations, and international partners, ensuring that high-integrity carbon market solutions are accessible, scalable, and impactful.



## GCC at COP30 – Financing Mechanisms for CCS Projects

COO Kishor Rajhansa participated as a panelist at the COP30 session hosted by the Global CCS Institute at the IETA Pavilion, discussing project finance and CCS deployment strategies.



## GCC at Earthhood Panel Discussion, COP30 Brazil – Stakeholder Engagement & VVB Collaboration

Senior Director Hemant Nandanpawar highlighted operational challenges and initiatives ensuring high-integrity carbon market standards.



## GCC Panel on Net Zero Energy Transition through Carbon Markets, COP30 Brazil

Director Joseph Prakash discussed how high-integrity carbon credits and climate finance can accelerate Brazil's net-zero energy transition.

## GCC at COP30, Belém, Brazil – Accelerating Article 6.2 Readiness

Strengthened national readiness for high-integrity carbon markets under Article 6.2, achieving key onboarding milestones with African nations.



## Country Engagement Highlights:



Mali & Mauritania – In-person onboarding ceremonies and official handover of the GCC CMI Country Onboarding Manual



Burkina Faso – In-person signing ceremony of the GCC-CMI Agreement



Niger – GCC CMI Onboarding Manual shared to initiate readiness steps



## GCC & MAYEC MoU Signing – Strengthening Carbon Markets in Córdoba, Argentina

GCC and the Ministry of Environment and Circular Economy of Córdoba signed an MoU to enhance transparent, high-integrity carbon market practices.



## GCC & Misiones, Argentina MoU Signing – Advancing High-Integrity Carbon Markets

GCC signed an MoU with the Secretaría de Estado de Cambio Climático (SECC), Misiones, to support NbS and carbon market development.

# COP30



## GCC & ABEEólica MoU Signing – Boosting Brazil's Carbon Market

GCC and Brazil's leading wind energy association ABEEólica signed a strategic MoU to enhance Article 6.2 implementation and high-integrity carbon market growth.



## GCC & ISMA MoU Signing – Advancing Carbon Markets in India

GCC and the Indian Sugar and Bio-energy Manufacturers Association (ISMA) signed a MoU to strengthen India's engagement in transparent, high-integrity carbon market practices.





## GCC at COP30 within the GVCN: Advancing Sustainability and Global Carbon Markets in ASEAN

Dr. Sue Kyoung Lee, Associate Director, NbS, presented the capabilities and readiness of GCC's NbS framework as an independent voluntary carbon standard to support the activation of the GVCN across the ASEAN region.



## GCC Standards Innovations Session, COP30 Brazil

COO Kishor Rajhansa participated in "Standards Innovations: From Plans to Execution," organized by 1PointFive and ACR, showcasing CORSIA-approved standard progress.



## GCC Panel Discussion on Bioeconomy, COP30 Brazil

Dr. Sue Kyoung Lee, Associate Director, NbS, participated in a session organized by GSS Impact Development Company, presenting GCC's NbS program strategy.



## GCC at COP 30: Mangroves on Next-Generation NbS: from digital MRV to Carbon Markets

Dr. Sue Kyoung Lee, Associate Director, NbS, presented the GCC NbS programme with a focus on the Mangrove Methodology (MA002). Mr. Subhendu Biswas, Director, Climate Action and Regulation, highlighted GCC 2.0 and its fully digitized systems supporting transparency and high-integrity carbon markets.





## GCC & Korea Forest Service (KFS) MoU Signing – Nature-Based Climate Action

GCC and KFS signed an MoU to strengthen NbS and advance global high-integrity carbon markets.



## GCC & KOTRA MENA MoU Signing – Accelerating Carbon Market Development

GCC signed an MoU with KOTRA MENA to enhance climate cooperation and carbon market readiness across the region.



## GCC at Regional Dialogue, Kuwait

Founding Chairman of GCC, Dr. Yousef Alhorri presented GCC's approach to operationalizing Article 6, strengthening regional readiness, and promoting high-integrity carbon markets.



## GCC at National Workshop on Future Farming, India

Senior Director Hemant Nandanpawar participated in a panel organized by the Ministry of Agriculture & ADB, discussing high-integrity carbon markets for climate resilience.



## GCC at Carbon Digital Conference Indonesia (CDC) 2025 – Advancing CCS & Carbon Market Insights

Mr. Soumik Biswas, Senior Manager – Methodologies, represented GCC at CDC 2025, organized by the Indonesia Carbon Trade Association (IDCTA), sharing insights on Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) and international carbon market pathways.

## GCC MoAs in Africa – Operationalizing CMI & Article 6.2

GCC signed MoAs with Mali, Mauritania, and Niger to deploy Carbon Market Infrastructure (CMI), enabling transparent tracking of mitigation outcomes with West Africa Alliance support.



## GCC & CEDARE Partnership – Strengthening Carbon Markets in the Arab Region

The Global Carbon Council (GCC) and the Centre for Environment & Development for the Arab Region and Europe (CEDARE) signed an MoU to accelerate carbon market development and enhance climate action across the Arab region. The agreement was signed by **Dr. Yousef Alhorr**, Founding Chairman of GCC, and **Dr. Khaled Fahmy**, Executive Director of CEDARE and former Minister of Environment, Egypt.



## GCC at Qatar National Dialogue on Climate Change (QNDCC) 2025

**Dr. Sue Kyoung Lee, Associate Director, NbS,** participated in the panel “Applying Advanced Technologies to Climate Change – The Road to QNDCC 2026,” highlighting technology-driven climate action in MENA.



## Global Carbon Council Workshop at QNDCC 2025: Journey Towards Decarbonization: Building a Net-Zero Future

Moderated by Senior Director Hemant Nandanpawar, with Joseph Prakash delivering a masterclass on science-based net-zero frameworks and corporate mitigation pathways.



## GCC at QNDCC 2025 – Accelerating Carbon Markets in the MENA Region

**Joseph Prakash**, Director, GCC, moderated a capacity-building workshop in partnership with the **Earthna Center for a Sustainable Future, Qatar Foundation**, bringing together policymakers, climate finance leaders, technical experts, and project developers to explore high-integrity carbon markets across MENA.

**Hemant Nandanpawar**, Senior Director, provided insights on global and regional carbon markets, NDCs, and carbon finance.

**Sanjeev Kumar**, Associate Director, highlighted GCC-registered mitigation projects across renewable energy, energy efficiency, waste management, carbon capture storage, and NbS.

**Amit Thusu**, Senior Director, presented GCC Program 2.0, covering the Transaction Registry, ~12.3M credits issued, and projects from 45+ countries supporting NDCs, SDGs, and high-integrity carbon markets.

# Thank You

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