Article 6 Network

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY · OCTOBER 2026

Building the Paris Agreement carbon market



A Swiss-based, member-led non-profit for the Paris Agreement carbon market, the world's only globally compliant carbon market: education, policy, market intelligence and events.

EST. MARKET SIZE BY 2050

$180bn

BloombergNEF ($25/t)

DEMAND BY 2050

7.2 Gt

CO_2e a year · BNEF base case

ARTICLE 6 AUTHORITIES

130

ready to issue and trade · UNFCCC

ARTICLE 6 HEADLINES

>1,775

since January 2025 · Article 6 Network

PIPELINE DATA POINTS

6,541

UNEP CCC Article 6 Pipeline · Oct 2026

SBTI-VALIDATED COMPANIES

12,092

potential developers, buyers, investors

NOV 2026 · COP31 · TÜRKIYE

Launch of The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market 2026

11 JUNE 2027 · BONN

Article 6 Summit 2027 and Global Survey 2027

NOV 2027 · COP32 · ETHIOPIA

The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market 2027

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One job: grow the Paris Agreement carbon market

Article 6 Network is a Swiss-based, member-led non-profit. The Paris Agreement carbon market is the world's only globally compliant carbon market: a new financial market, built on host-country authorisation, corresponding adjustments and UN oversight. The Network educates the people who must use it, makes the policy case for scaling it, publishes its reference intelligence and connects its participants.

A new market is going live

The Article 6 Network has tracked **more than 1,775 Article 6 headlines** since January 2025. **130 countries** have designated Article 6 Authorities and are ready to develop, issue and trade Article 6 carbon credits. The UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre Article 6 Pipeline holds **6,541 data points** (October 2026). The Article 6.4 Supervisory Body has adopted its first methodology and approved the first issuances under the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM), and the first large sovereign ITMO transactions are expected to close at COP31.

Nobody speaks for Article 6 alone

The established bodies grew up around the voluntary carbon market. IETA covers all emissions trading; ICVCM and VCMI set voluntary-market integrity and claims rules. Government groups such as the Article 6 Ambition Alliance, Japan's A6IP Center and the regional carbon market alliances serve states, not market participants.

Growth compounds to 2030 and 2050

Demand is driven by NDC compliance, companies that want internationally compliant credits, and CORSIA's need for authorised, adjusted units. The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) has validated targets for **12,092 companies**, each a potential Article 6 project developer, buyer or investor. The market is estimated at **$180bn by 2050** (BloombergNEF, at $25/t).



Indicative trajectory, as charted by A6 Ratings. Sourced points: Trafigura / OIES 2030 floor; BNEF base case 2050. Forward-looking scenarios, not trading volume.

Article 6 Network fills the gap

Banks, companies, developers and host governments get a shared, dedicated network. Its mission: make Article 6 the default carbon market for governments, investors and companies.

MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

Build a liquid, high-integrity Paris Agreement carbon market

…that channels private capital into national climate goals, through four lines of work.

01 · EDUCATE

Article 6 literacy for banks, investors, companies, governments and developers: Article 6.2, the Article 6.4 mechanism (PACM), ITMOs, authorisation, corresponding adjustments and claims. Delivered through the **Article 6 Academy**.

02 · ADVOCATE

Evidence-based recommendations at three levels: **national** authorisation frameworks, the **EU** 2040 framework and claims rules, and the **UNFCCC** Article 6 negotiations, Supervisory Body and CORSIA eligibility via ICAO.

03 · PUBLISH

Article 6 Radar, the searchable archive of Article 6 headlines; ***Article 6 Views***, the policy blog; ***The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market***, the seminal annual report launched at each COP; and the ***Article 6 Network Global Survey***.

04 · CONNECT

Events and webinars that bring buyers, sellers, financiers and governments together, anchored on the **Article 6 Summit** in Bonn each June, where the **Global Survey** is launched, the annual **Members meeting** in Geneva, and COP side events.

MEMBERSHIP

Join the Global Article 6 Network Today

CATEGORY	WHO	FEE / YEAR*	BENEFITS
Founding Partner	First businesses to back the Network	CHF 50,000	Dedicated page, large homepage logo; report logo, editorial and advertising page; VIP Summit, speaker and workshop, 5 tickets; full Academy
Strategic Partner	Banks, buyers and developers that lead in Article 6	CHF 25,000	Dedicated page, homepage logo; report logo, half-page editorial or advert; VIP Summit, speaker or workshop, 3 tickets; 5 courses
Corporate Partner	Banks, buyers, traders, large developers	CHF 12,500	Dedicated page, members-page logo; report logo; VIP Summit, speaker or workshop, 2 tickets; 2 courses
Government (Buyer)	Buyer ministries and agencies	CHF 5,000	Dedicated page, homepage logo; named in report; VIP Summit, 2 tickets; full Academy
Associate Partner	SMEs, start-ups	CHF 5,000	Members-page logo; named in report; 1 Summit ticket; 1 course
Host Government	Host ministries, DNAs, agencies	Free	Named on site; VIP Summit access; full Academy
Individual / Observer (Premium)	Professionals; NGOs, multilaterals, research	CHF 500 (until June 2027)	1 Summit ticket; 1 course
Individual / Observer	Professionals, academics, students; NGOs	Free	Article 6 News; 50% off Summit and Academy

* Proposed 2027 fees, to be set by the founders at the founding General Assembly. Applications reviewed within 48 hours at article6.net/join. Paid and Host Government members get the Members Area and Article 6 News. A cap (for example, no member above 10% of annual income) protects independence.

FLAGSHIPS

One report, one summit, one survey: the reference points of the Article 6 market

Every year the Network brings the market together twice: in June in Bonn, where governments meet at the UNFCCC sessions, and in November at the COP. The Global Survey launched in Bonn feeds the report launched at the COP.

THE SEMINAL ANNUAL REPORT · LAUNCH AT COP31, TÜRKIYE, NOVEMBER 2026

The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market 2026

The first edition of the Network's annual reference on the Paris Agreement carbon market. It will put a value on everything announced since the COP30 decisions and set supply against demand, country by country and buyer by buyer.

Market
size, value and price of Article 6 supply and demand

Countries
DNAs, bilaterals, host and buyer governments

Buyers
sovereign, corporate and compliance demand

Outlook
case studies, recommendations, the road to 2030

The 2027 edition follows at **COP32 in Ethiopia**, built on the results of the Global Survey 2027.

THE SEMINAL ANNUAL EVENT · BONN, FRIDAY 11 JUNE 2027

Article 6 Summit 2027

One day during the June UNFCCC sessions in Bonn (venue TBC). Theme: **Connecting climate results with capital**. It brings investors, corporates and developers face to face with host governments and DNAs.

- Plenaries: global, government, finance, nature, sectors, Paris Agreement Buyers Club
- Article 6 Exhibition and Article 6 Lounge for meetings
- Article 6 Academy workshops
- Free for host governments, DNAs and Premium Members; CHF 500, or CHF 250 for members, NGOs and academics

LAUNCHED AT THE SUMMIT · 11 JUNE 2027

Article 6 Network Global Survey 2027

The first global survey of both sides of the market, so that policy and finance follow evidence.

- **Supply:** the 130 DNAs, on readiness, pipelines, pricing and capacity needs
- **Demand:** SBTi-validated companies and sovereign buyers, on volumes, prices and claims
- Results presented first in Bonn, then built into the 2027 report at COP32

Partner with the flagships

Report, Summit and Survey sponsorship from CHF 1,250 to CHF 25,000 · events@article6.net

COP31 · NOV 2026
BONN · 11 JUN 2027
COP32 · NOV 2027

GOVERNANCE AND INDEPENDENCE

A Swiss association with built-in independence

Legal form. Article 6 Network Association is formed: a Swiss association under Articles 60 to 79 of the Civil Code, with legal personality since the adoption of its statutes, seated at Impact Hub, Rue Fendt 1, 1201 Geneva, Switzerland.

Organs. General Assembly of voting members; Executive Board of seven to nine, with an independent majority, elected at the founding Members meeting; a small Geneva secretariat; regional chapters; working groups on Policy, Integrity and Claims, Finance, and Capacity Building.

INDEPENDENCE SAFEGUARDS

- A majority of Board seats held by people with no commercial stake in ITMO trading or ratings
- A public register of interests for the Board and founders, including the founder's roles
- Recusal from any decision touching a member's own transactions, products or ratings
- No endorsement of specific credits, projects, ratings or transactions

FOUNDING COUNCIL

Eight regional chapters around a Geneva hub

Michael Mathres founds the Network in Geneva, Switzerland, and recruits eight regional co-founders, one per chapter. Each sits on the Founding Council, which advises the Board until the end of the third financial year, leads local membership and events, and feeds regional priorities to the Board.

Geneva, Switzerland
Founder, Board, secretariat

North America
Buyers, banks, airlines

United Kingdom
London finance and law

Brussels (EU)
EU 2040 and claims policy

Latin America
Host countries, REDD+

Africa
Host countries, PACM

Asia
Japan, Singapore, Korea

Middle East
Investors, buyers, host countries

Australia & Pacific
COP31 partner, Pacific

FLAGSHIP PUBLICATIONS AND EVENTS

PRODUCT	FORMAT	CADENCE
Article 6 Radar	Headline analysis, Article 6 News and the Views blog	Daily alert, weekly digest
The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market	The seminal annual report: volumes, prices, deals, policy, outlook	Yearly, at each COP
Policy papers	Recommendations for national, EU and UNFCCC policy	Quarterly
Article 6 Academy	Courses, primers, certification, webinars	From Q2 2027
Article 6 Summit	The seminal annual event: one day in Bonn at the June UNFCCC sessions	Yearly, June
Article 6 Network Global Survey	Supply (DNAs) and demand (corporates, sovereign buyers)	Yearly, launched at the Summit
COP and Climate Week events	Panels and buyer–seller roundtables	Each COP

ROADMAP

From COP31 in Türkiye to COP32 in Ethiopia



Statutes adopted; website launched; Geneva Secretariat and office; bank account opened; founders approached

COP31, Antalya, 13 Nov: launch of the Network and the 2026 report; founding membership opens

Founding Members meeting, Geneva or Verbier (March); Board elected; Academy planned

Bonn, 11 June: Article 6 Summit 2027 and launch of the Article 6 Network Global Survey 2027

COP32, Ethiopia: The State of the Article 6 Carbon Market 2027

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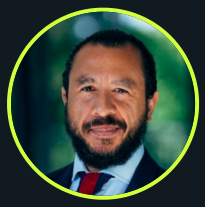
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Michael is President (interim) until a new President is recruited, with 25 years in sustainable finance, carbon markets and nature and biodiversity capital. As Chief Development Officer at ITMO Ltd, he has attended the last 17 UNFCCC COPs and started the World Climate Summit. Since 2022 he has orchestrated the first Article 6 sovereign ITMO deal. He wrote the first paper on Article 6.2 sovereign carbon with Deutsche Bank and co-edited *Climate Finance for Climate Action* (Springer Nature).

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Sources: Article 6 Network (Article 6 headline count); UNEP Copenhagen Climate Centre, Article 6 Pipeline (Oct. 2026); UNFCCC, Article 6.4 Designated National Authorities (Sep. 2026); SBTi Target Dashboard (validated companies); BloombergNEF (market size at $25/t; 2050 demand); A6 Ratings (demand chart, drawing on BNEF and Trafigura / OIES); UNFCCC, The Road to Antalya; Swiss FOEN, Article 6 Ambition Alliance; IGES, A6IP Center; OneStopESG, Road to COP31 (first PACM methodology and issuances).