

Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM)

Sources of Information

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Presentation Overview

- General Information
- Forestry Information
- Standards
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 - Community based / Forestry
- Project Developers and Consultancies
- Newsletters



Voluntary Carbon Market 101

- Back to the Future: State of the Voluntary Carbon Markets 2011, A Report by Ecosystem Marketplace & Bloomberg New Energy Finance, pages 7 to 9
- The rest of the report is also pretty good!
- State and Trends of the Carbon Market 2011, World Bank



Programme of Activities

- The Handbook for Programme of Activities, Climate Focus
www.climatefocus.com
- A Primer on CDM Programme of Activities, UNEP Risoe Centre
- PoA, Developing CDM Programme of Activities, South Pole Carbon Management



Forestry

- State of the Forest Carbon Markets 2011
- http://www.forest-trends.org/documents/files/doc_2963.pdf
- Building Forest Carbon Projects: Step-by-step Overview and Guide
- http://www.forest-trends.org/documents/files/doc_2555.pdf



More Forestry Information

PIN Development

- BioCarbon Fund. *PIN Template for LULUCF Projects*. Available at: <http://wbcarbonfinance.org/Router.cfm?Page=DocLib&CatalogID=7110>.

Carbon Assessment

- **IPCC**. *Good Practice Guidance for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry*. Hayama, Japan: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, 2003.
Default values for carbon stocks and sequestration potential are presented in Annex 3A.1, available at:
http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/public/gpگلulucf/gpگلulucf_files/Chp3/App_3a1_HWP.pdf.
- **USAID and Winrock International: Forest Carbon Calculator Tool**
An overview of this tool is available at:
http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/environment/climate/docs/forest_carbon_calculator_jan10.pdf.
- **CO2FIX**. *CASFOR-II: Modeling Carbon Sequestration in Forest Landscapes*. Available at: <http://www.efi.int/projects/casfor/>



Standards

- Voluntary Carbon Standard (VCS)
- Gold Standard
- Climate Action Reserve (CAR)
- VER+
- Climate Community & Biodiversity (CCB)
- Plan Vivo
- SOCIALCARBON
- GHG Protocol
- ISO14064



Verified Carbon Standard (VCS)

- www.v-c-s.org
- All VCS program documents are available at www.v-c-s.org/program-documents/info
- This includes, in particular:
 - VCS Program Guide (2011)
 - VCS Standard (2011)
 - Agriculture, Forestry, and Other Land Use (AFOLU) Requirements (2011)
- VCS Program Announcements, including updates to guidance and documentation, can be found at <http://www.v-c-s.org/program-announcements>



Gold Standard

- <http://www.cdmgoldstandard.org/>
- The Gold Standard certification process, documents and updates:
- <http://www.cdmgoldstandard.org/project-certification/what-is-the-process>



CDM Methodologies

- The official portal to all CDM rules, procedures, methodologies, tools, etc., including updates, clarifications, and guidance is <http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/index.html>
- A very useful synthesis and explanation of relevant terms, procedures, and tools is provided by **Baker & McKenzie's CDM Rulebook**, which also includes updates on recent policy developments. It is available at: <http://cdmrulebook.org>
- From the official CDM portal, key sections include:
- Approved AR Methodologies and Tools:
<http://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/ARmethodologies/approved>
- CDM Methodology Booklet
- www.cdm-meth.org
- www.cdmpipeline.org



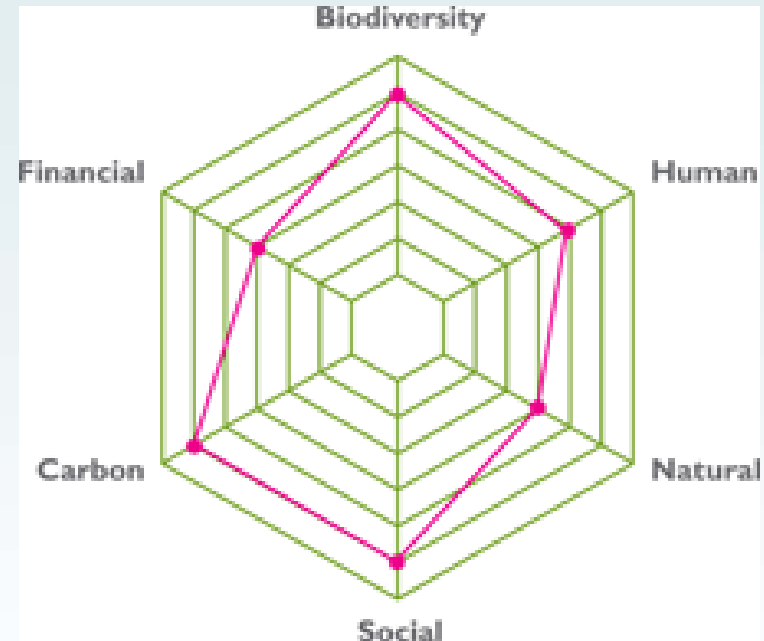
Plan Vivo

- <http://www.planvivo.org/>
- Plan Vivo is a standard for designing and certifying **community-based payments for ecosystem services (PES) programmes**.
- Eligibility checklist and Standard documents:
<http://www.planvivo.org/standard/>



SOCIALCARBON

- <http://www.socialcarbon.org/>
- SOCIALCARBON is a Standard developed by the Ecologica Institute that certifies voluntary emission reduction projects for their contributions to sustainable development.
- Improves projects social and environmental benefits
- <http://www.socialcarbon.org/Documents/>



Which Standard?

- Making Sense of the Voluntary Carbon Market: A Comparison of Carbon Offset Standards, WWF, SEI & Tricorona
- Ask for assistance



Project Developers & consultancies

- www.forest-trends.org
 - Promoting sustainable forest management and conservation
- **Tricorona** <http://www.tricorona.com/en>
- **South Pole**
<http://www.southpolecarbon.com/development.htm>
- **Ecosecurities**
http://www.ecosecurities.com/Home/Creating_emission_reductions/VER_Projects/default.aspx
- **Easy Carbon, IT Power, etc.**



Newsletters

- <http://www.cdmgoldstandard.org/themes/edia/q3-newsletter-2011>
- GIZ CDM Highlights Newsletter
climate@giz.de
- JIKO Info: Newsletter on JI & CDM
www.jiko-bmu.de

