

ERCST - Informal Forum on Implementation of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

# Defining the NDC Scope

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**These global rules are important to ensure that each tonne of emissions released into the atmosphere is accounted for.**

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# Principles

- Decision 1/CP.21 para. 31.(c). **Parties strive to include all categories of anthropogenic emissions or removals in their nationally determined contributions** and, once a source, sink or activity is included, continue to include it;
- (d) **Parties shall provide an explanation of why any categories of anthropogenic emissions or removals are excluded;**
- PA Art. 4.4. Developed country Parties should continue taking the lead by undertaking **economy-wide absolute emission reduction targets**. Developing country Parties should continue enhancing their mitigation efforts, and are **encouraged to move over time towards economy-wide emission reduction or limitation targets** in the light of different national circumstances.

# What we agreed in Katowice

[4/CMA.1] Further guidance in relation to the mitigation section of decision 1/CP.21

- Annex I . Information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of nationally determined contributions, referred to in decision 1/CP.21, paragraph

### 3. Scope and coverage:

(a) General description of the target;

(b) Sectors, gases, categories and pools covered by the nationally determined contribution, including, as applicable, consistent with Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) guidelines;

(c) How the Party has taken into consideration paragraph 31(c) and (d) of decision 1/CP.21;

(d) Mitigation co-benefits resulting from Parties' adaptation actions and/or economic diversification plans, including description of specific projects, measures and initiatives of Parties' adaptation actions and/or economic diversification plans.

# What we agreed in Katowice

[4/CMA.1] Further guidance in relation to the mitigation section of decision 1/CP.21

- Annex II . Accounting for Parties' nationally determined contributions, referred to in decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 31

3. Striving to include all categories of anthropogenic emissions or removals in the nationally determined contribution and, once a source, sink or activity is included, continuing to include it:

(a) Parties account for all categories of anthropogenic emissions and removals corresponding to their nationally determined contribution;

(b) Parties strive to include all categories of anthropogenic emissions and removals in their nationally determined contribution, and, once a source, sink or activity is included, continue to include it.

4. Providing an explanation of why any categories of anthropogenic emissions or removals are excluded.

# New and updated NDCs at a glance

[4/CMA.1] para.7. Decides that, in communicating their second and subsequent nationally determined contributions, Parties shall provide the information necessary for clarity, transparency and understanding contained in annex I as applicable to their nationally determined contributions, and strongly encourages Parties to provide this information in relation to their first nationally determined contribution, including when communicating or updating it by 2020;

As of 31 Aug. 2021,

- 97 Parties have submitted updated NDCs
- 11 Parties have submitted 2<sup>nd</sup> NDCs

**74 Parties fully or partly applied the ICTU guidance to their new and updated NDCs**

	A6.2 Draft Text (Ver.3)	A6.4 Draft Text (Ver.3)
Definition of NDC scope	<p><b>C. Sectors and greenhouse gases</b></p> <p>14. A participating Party that first transfers ITMOs from emission reductions and removals from <b>sectors and GHGs covered by its NDC</b> shall apply corresponding adjustments consistent with this guidance.</p>	
Application of Corresponding adjustment	<p>15. A participating Party that first transfers <b>ITMOs</b> from emission reductions and removals <b>from sectors and GHGs that are not covered by its NDC</b> shall apply <b>corresponding adjustments</b> consistent with this guidance.</p>	<p>70. A host Party shall apply a corresponding adjustment for all A6.4ERs first transferred consistent with decision X/CMA.2 (Guidance on cooperative approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 2, of the Paris Agreement), subject to a future decision of the CMA that shall provide an opt out period, during which a host Party that first transfers A6.4ERs from <b>sectors and greenhouse gases (among others) not covered by its NDC</b> is not required to apply a corresponding adjustment.</p>
Place for upfront information	<p><b>Initial report</b></p> <p>18. (d) Quantify the Party's mitigation information in its NDC in tCO<sub>2</sub> eq, <b>including the sectors, sources, GHGs and time periods covered by the NDC</b>, the reference level of emissions and removals for the relevant year or period, and the target level for its NDC; or where this is not possible, provide the methodology for the quantification of the NDC in tCO<sub>2</sub> eq;</p>	<p>?????</p> <p><i>Participation responsibilities?</i></p> <p>26. (b) <i>It has prepared, communicated and is maintaining an NDC in accordance with Article 4, paragraphs 2 and 6, and decision 4/CMA. 1;</i></p> <p><i>LoA?</i></p>