

# UNFCCC and ICAO Responsibilities for CORSIA



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# The buck stops here...and there.

One institution alone cannot solve these issues: ICAO, UNFCCC

Clarify tasks and how to share responsibility on:

- Credit quality
- Registries
- Transparency (of information/input)
- Ambition

# Transparency for markets

There must be enough information to assure:

- Confidence among participants that **transfers are of high integrity** (Credit quality and Registries)
- Confidence in **comparable treatment** among peers (flow of information)
- **Ease of understanding** by the general public and the private sector (credibility, compliance)



# Credit quality

ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>ICAO:</b> Have potentially eligible offset programs resolved the issue of avoiding double counting?	<b>ICAO:</b> CORSIA resolution mandates no-double counting -must operationalize
<b>UNFCCC:</b> avoiding double counting for UNFCCC units.	<b>UNFCCC:</b> Phase out of CDM. Operationalize no double counting for SDM.

**The bottom line: With offset programs accounting in limbo, both the buyer and the seller need to cover their bases.**

# Registries

ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>ICAO:</b> Embarking on the creation of a compliance scheme; potentially with multiple programs?	<b>ICAO:</b> Showing all information necessary to make the system work (airline emissions, obligations, units used) all audited.
<b>UNFCCC:</b> The future of the International Transaction Log has not been discussed under the Transparency/Accounting Framework.	<b>UNFCCC:</b> NDC guidance: clarify adjustments to NDCs when used outside of NDCs. Transparency Framework: state progress reports, market registry discussion

**The bottom line: Everyone needs to know how they're accounting.**



# Transparency

ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>ICAO:</b> Rules and information on CORSIA are not publicly accessible.	<b>ICAO:</b> Follow best practice: Public rules and modalities of markets mechanisms
<b>UNFCCC:</b> Article 6 talks - Observers removed in Marrakesh, Article 6 discussions are closed	<b>UNFCCC:</b> Embody the principle of Transparency, re-open up markets discussions to the public

**The bottom line: (Environmental) markets have harmed people and the environment when they don't have correct oversight and transparency.**

# Transparency, Ambition and Achieving climate goals

ISSUE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>ICAO:</b> Aviation's goal is not consistent with 1.5 or 2	<b>ICAO:</b> Input to the Facilitative Dialogue, ratchet in 2022, present results to the Global Stocktake
<b>UNFCCC:</b> Lack of transparency of accounting led to questionable compliance under KP, CDM has not delivered on environmental integrity	<b>UNFCCC:</b> How to quantify, account, and avoid perverse incentives against a rapid ratcheting of ambition

**The bottom line: Proper ambition requires transparency of effort and implementation.**



# RECAP

- Avoiding-double counting is critical in **Accounting (4.13)**, APA discussions on the **Transparency Framework** and **Guidance for NDCs**, and SBSTA **Article 6** discussions the UNFCCC, in light of eminent CORSIA transfers. ICAO must act now to prevent all forms of double counting.
- Both institutions need to prioritize **robust international registries** and clarify how the CORSIA central registry and Paris international transaction log (?) **interact**
- This information needs to be **public, transparent and independently verified...**

**Transparency is the backbone of Paris and the key to achieving 1.5!!!!**



# Thank you!

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