### **Article 6 in Georgia: EBRD Support**

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## Accelerating the green transition the vital role of global carbon markets





The number of corporations and governments pledging to deliver **net-zero emissions by 2050** has more than doubled in the past year.



EU's proposal for a carbon border mechanisms puts pressure on other countries to put in place industrial and energy sector decarbonisation policies



Markets are underpinned by robust regulations, baselines, MRV and registries that allow for rigorous assessments, as it is embedded in the "real economy"



The cost savings
potential of carbon
markets post-2020 is
larger than it was under
the Kyoto Protocol – an
impetus for economic
recovery



The pressure to act on climate change builds, and companies must adequately prepare for carbon transitional risks – lack of clarity to affect access to finance



Article 6 finally clarified the "standard operating procedure" for carbon market transfers – optimising its benefits requires a risk management function



"Overselling risk": Overselling
GHGe reductions may
compromise own NDC target so
that later expenditure is needed
to buy back ITMOs

"Underselling risk": No active participation in global carbon markets may mean you miss out on critical revenues to meet reduction targets



# EBRD is supporting countries with the design, piloting and implementation of carbon market instruments



#### **Policy Dialogue**

Advise countries on carbon market development e.g. Uzbekistan, Georgia

Provide expertise on Article 6 in policy dialogues on LTS, sector-based roadmaps and NDCs e.g. Ukraine, UZ

Co-operation with international stakeholders, such as the J-MDB WG on Article 6, ICVCM

#### **Development of Tools & Standards**

EBRD Member J-MDB Secretariat Climate Markets Club

Co-operate on the design of assessment tools like MAAP

Pilot D-MRV approaches to reduce costs and increase efficiency **Supporting Transactions** systemic change through policy dialogue and investment programmes at scale

GCF co-funded EBRD RE facility in Kazakhstan: policy support for Kazakh ETS

MIDSEFF in Turkey, which incl. policy support for CORSIA, MRV and CBAM GCF High Impact
Programme for Industry
which integrates carbon
market elements in the
climate governance
support

## **Strong experience in climate finance delivery financing green investments in Georgia (2016-2021)**







## Examples of Green Financing Tools in Georgia Green Credit lines to local financial institutions



Through GEFFs, the EBRD offers credit lines to local partner financial institutions (PFIs) to finance small and mid-sized green projects.

#### Working via Partner Financial Institutions:

- Enables outreach to many small and mediumsized green opportunities
- Develops durable local financing markets by raising the capacity of PFIs to recognise green opportunities in the long-term.

# Local financial mid-sized projects Bank /other PFI In-country technical assistance team Small and mid-sized projects

#### GEFFs bring together:

- Credit lines to PFIs to be channelled to end-borrowers for e.g. green buildings
- PFI capacity raising: training staff to recognise green opportunities, enhanced marketing outreach, targeted green financing products
- Project development support: direct assessment of larger-scale projects; online databases of pre-approved technologies for small-scale projects
- Incentive payments to end-borrowers or blended soft loans, aimed at addressing first-mover and affordability barriers.

#### GEFF results to date

- 80% of FIs participated
- EUR 90 M EBRD finance
- 37,000 t CO2 reductions p.a

Find out more at: www.ebrdgeff.com

## Examples of Green Financing Tools in Georgia FINTECC Technology Transfer programme



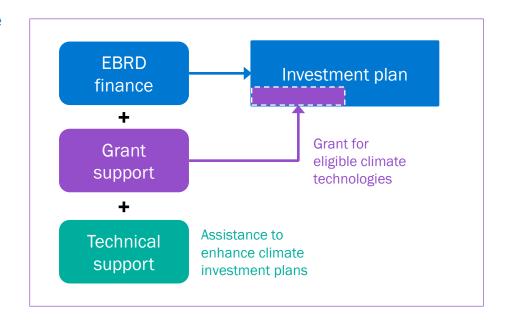
The Finance and Technology Transfer Centre for Climate Change (FINTECC) facilitates technology transfer to private companies in countries where advanced solutions have low market penetration rates.

FINTECC grants cover up to 25% of the costs of eligible technologies. Examples include:

- Tri-generation, high-grade thermal insulation, heat pumps, energy efficient cooling systems,
- Water recycling systems and advanced irrigation
   One of Georgia's leading natural mineral water companies, was supported with the construction of a greenfield beverage production factory.

FINTECC is supported with technical assistance assignments such as:

- Energy and resource audits to enhance companies' green investment plans
- Ascertaining that financed technologies are eligible for FINTECC grants
- Assessments of local technology markets and building of knowledge sharing networks.



Currently active in the Caucasus countries and Central Asia, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia and Ukraine.

36 projects supported since 2013

€9 million grants and EBRD green lending of €147 million

130,000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> in estimated annual emission reductions

1.6 million m<sup>3</sup> of estimated annual water savings.



## Examples of Green Financing Tools in Georgia EBRD Green Cities Programme



The programme provides a systematic approach to promoting low-carbon cities via a holistic assessment of gaps, opportunities and priorities for upgrading a city's infrastructure and services.

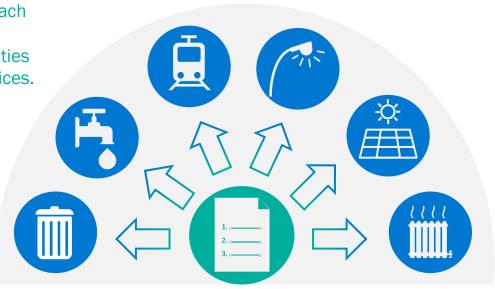
The central instrument is a Green City Action Plan (GCAP) whereby the EBRD partners with cities to identify, benchmark and prioritise the most pressing environmental and energy related improvements and indicative investments.

#### Programme components:

- Strategy support as Green City Action Plans
- Financing of identified priority investments
- Potential use of soft loans or grants
- Project development and implementation assistance.

Type of improvement areas mapped via GCAPs:

- Sustainable waste management
- Water and wastewater improvements
- Sustainable urban transport
- Street lighting energy efficiency
- Public buildings energy efficiency
- District heating rehabilitation.



Green City Action Plan

Steps to engage the programme:

1. A "trigger" project opens cooperation with EBRD

2. A Green City
Action Plan is
developed with
donor support

3. Follow-up priority projects are supported over the medium-term

**Tbilisi** became one of the first cities to join EBRD Green Cities. Its GCAP has the potential to reduce CO2 emissions by approximately 450,000 tonnes per year.

## Building on our experience & market knowledge We can help facilitate Article 6 transactions



- 1. Identifying the markets & technologies to deliver the greening of the ITMO transaction under 6.2 (e.g. Georgia Carbon Market Scoping Study)
- 2. Designing and structuring the delivery mechanism, including use of proceeds and deployment for financing programmes (e.g. through GEFFs, Green Cities, FINTECC programmes)
- 3. Support in structuring and documentation to ensure Article 6 schemes can indeed be implemented and leveraged to bring in the private sector







## THANK YOU



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