



Environmental Integrity of Carbon Offsets

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Presentation overview

- What constitutes environmental and economic integrity?
- Additional benefits of climate mitigation projects
- Buyer decision criteria
- Market standards and effectiveness
- Education of stakeholders about offset integrity



Kolibri Capital

- Provides total financing packages for offset projects under different jurisdictions
- Assists with carbon, finance and technical due diligence for offset projects
- Assists with project development, implementation and documentation
- Taking new and emerging technologies into the world market through offset projects



Environmental and economic integrity

- The project activity emits less than its baseline
- Emission reductions not attributed to business as usual activities:
 - Not representing common practice
 - Not mandated by regulation
 - (Normally) not least cost option
 - Backed by robust methodologies
 - Accurate
 - Conservative
 - Consistent between sectors
 - Certified ex-post by accredited verifiers



Additional project benefits

- Technology innovation
- More rapid deployment of technology
- Employment opportunities
- Resource management and awareness
- Economic development based on increased access to power
- Utilisation of previously assumed waste, creating a waste price



Buyer decision criteria

- Offsets being less expensive than internal mitigation
- Constraints in internal reduction opportunities
- Real and additional offsets (Voluntary market presently stricter than the regulated.....!)
- Price
- Technology/methodology/project type
- Country of origin



Market standards and effectiveness

- CDM methodologies: A benchmark
- WRI/WBCSD GHG protocols
- CCAR, CCX, Greenhouse challenge, EUETS
- "Gold Standard"
- Voluntary Carbon Standard

Many other standards, with variable quality

Convergence?



Public awareness

- Public consciousness on offset use is growing
- Uncertainty on offsets prevents broad action
- Need for robust, uniform and credible standards also in the voluntary market
- A ton is a ton should still be the general rule....
- Awareness raising and knowledge building necessary



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