



Carbon Markets Driving Collective Climate Action

Introduction

To kick off our Annual Regional Climate Summit Series of this year, we at the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA) look forward to welcoming delegates this Spring to our flagship **European Climate Summit (ECS) 2024**, taking place 16-18 April at the Firenze Fiera in Florence, Italy.

ECS comes at a key inflection point for the region's carbon market.

- . *How will the European carbon market evolve in its next phase, which starts in 2031?*
- . *Around the world, carbon markets are emerging at the fastest ever pace, with new emissions trading systems being developed from Brazil to Vietnam*
- . *More markets may mean more opportunities for international cooperation and linking, and some of these could come to Europe*
- . *The health of the voluntary carbon market is a hot topic this year, as the market works to overcome challenges*
- . *Environmental integrity and robust quality assurance are at the top of everyone's mind, and IETA's **#ECS2024** will address these issues as well.*

Join us in Florence to hear from and meet with policymakers, business and thought provocateurs who are leading the pack in building, scaling and collaborating on markets for net zero. Organised by IETA, ECS 2024 is an in-person event. The program features high level plenaries, inspirational keynotes, cross-cutting deep dives, interactive side events, and quality networking opportunities.

Daily Snapshot

- 16 April – DAY 1: Opened Side Events, Closed meetings & ECS Welcome Reception
- 17 April – DAY 2: Summit sessions, Opened Side Events & IETA Nightcap Reception
- 18 April – DAY 3: Summit sessions, Opened Side Events

Practical Information

- Interested in **speaking opportunities**, hosting your own side event session or closed meeting, partner sponsor visibility, contact Lisa Spafford, spafford@ieta.org – **Visibility Packages available [HERE](#)**
- Attend as a **delegate**, contact Christian Mosquera, mosquera@ieta.org – **Register [HERE](#)**
- For **media**, contact Badr Maallem, maallem@ieta.org
- **Summit venue**: Firenze Fiera - Palazzo dei Congressi Villa Vittoria - 1 Piazza Adua, 50123 Firenze

Detailed Agenda (subject to updates)

Legend: Closed Door-Member Meeting / Plenary / Breakout / Side Event & Opened Session / Social Event

TUESDAY 16 APRIL – DAY 1

8:30-17:30 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

Entrance Foyer (Ground Level) & Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

8:30-11:00 **Closed Door Event – CCS+ Steering Committee Meeting**

Board Room 9 (Ground Level)

9:30-11:30 **IETA Member Event – REDD+ & VCM Dialogue**

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

11:15-12:45 **By Invitation Event – CCS+ Member Meeting**

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

11:30-14:30 **Closed Door Event – ICROA AC Meeting**

Roundtable Room 12 (Ground Level)

12:00-13:30 **Welcome Lunch**

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

12:30-15:30 **IETA Member Event – IETA EU WG Strategy Meeting**

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

13:30-15:00 **Open Event – Carbon Market Media Briefing**

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

This interactive in-person on the record media briefing is designed for climate/carbon markets media professionals to hear and discuss EU and global topics.

Facilitator & Introductory Remarks: Mark Downes, Communications Director - IETA

. 13:40-14:00: In-person launch ICAP ETS Status Report 2024, by Lewis Stevens, Senior Carbon Markets Expert - ICAP

. 14:00-14:20: EU policy reflections and trailing of new book to be release in May 2024 "Delivering a Climate Neutral Europe", by Jos Delbeke, EIB Climate Chair, School of Transnational Governance - European University Institute

. 14:20-14:35: In-person release of the 'ETS Review of Carbon Leakage Risks for CBAM Export Goods', by Andrei Marcu, Executive Director - ERCST

. 14:35-14:55: Presentation of the 'IETA Guidelines for High-Integrity Use of Carbon Credits', Andrea Abrahams, Managing Director VCM - IETA

15:00-16:00 [Coffee Break](#)

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

14:30-18:00 Closed Door Event – IETA Council Meeting
Board Room 9 (Ground Level)

15:30-16:30 [Open Side Event Session 1 Organised by Sylvera – Decision Making in the VCM: How Better Data is Reshaping VCM Engagement](#)
Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

Only four short years ago, participants in the voluntary carbon market had little data to inform their decisions. In the last few years an ecosystem of carbon data has emerged and it's reshaping how companies engage with the VCM. This panel will discuss how they approach decision making in the VCM. They'll also discuss where the gaps remain and how we can close them together.

Presentation & Facilitated Conversation by Jess Roberts, Vice President of Ratings - Sylvera

16:30-16:45 Short Break

16:45-17:45 [Open Side Event Session 2 Organised by Verra – So Where is the Legitimate Use Case for Carbon Crediting?](#)
Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

The influx of private sector interest to the voluntary carbon market has coincided with – or perhaps sparked – intense scrutiny and criticism of its fundamental tools. Is offsetting over? How much decarbonization does the mitigation hierarchy demand? Is Paris accounting the answer? The emerging frameworks are making some headway. But what can be the way forward?

Moderator: Andrew Howard, Senior Director of Climate Policy and Strategy – Verra

Speakers:

- . Giulia Carbone, Director of Natural Climate Solutions Alliance - World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
- . Lydia Sheldrake, Director of Policy & Partnerships - VCMI
- . Rodrigo Bezerra, Head of Upstream Carbon Emissions - Hartree Partners

Open Side Event Session 3 Organised by South Pole – Building, Scaling, and Sustaining Climate Action with Article 6: Best Practices and New Insights

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

17:45-19:15 [European Climate Summit Welcome Reception](#)

Villa Vittoria Front Garden (Ground Level)

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL – DAY 2

8:00-9:00 [Registration & Welcome Coffee](#)

Entrance Foyer (Ground Level) & Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

9:00-9:30 [Opening Ceremony – Driving Collective Climate Action](#)

Auditorium (Ground Level)

Facilitator & Organiser Welcome Remarks: Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)

Host Welcome Address: Dario Nardella, Mayor of Florence

European Commission Address: Ruben Vermeeren, Deputy Head of Unit, ETS (I): Policy Coordination, International Carbon Markets - DG Climate Action, European Commission

Special Address: Simone Borghesi, Director, Florence School of Regulation - European University Institute (EUI) & President, European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE)

9:30-9:45 Short Break

9:45-10:45 [Plenary 1 – State of the EU ETS and 2040 Target Roundtable](#)

Auditorium (Ground Level)

The European Commission has recommended an EU-wide target of 90% net emission reductions by 2040 to set the bloc on the path to climate neutrality to by the middle of the century. The Communication on the 2040 Climate Target highlights the vital role of carbon pricing, CCS and carbon removals in achieving the 90% target. Yet, while the EU 2040 target is in the spotlight, the 2030 implementation challenge should not be underestimated. Panelists will discuss the Commission's proposal, the review of the European Climate Law, the revision of the EU ETS before and after 2030 and the future of the EU's carbon management industry.

Moderator: Ewa Krukowska, Senior Climate and Energy Correspondent – Bloomberg News

Speakers:

- . Francesca Peppucci, Member of the European Parliament
- . Ruben Vermeeren, Deputy Head of Unit, ETS (I): Policy Coordination, International Carbon Markets - DG Climate Action, European Commission
- . Olav Syversen, Vice President Political and Public Affairs, Head of EU Affairs - Equinor
- . Madalena Callé Lucas, Head of Climate and Global Partnerships – EDP Energias de Portugal
- . Cédric de Meeûs, Head of Public Affairs & Government Relations - Holcim

10:45-11:15 [Coffee Break](#)

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

11:15-12:05 [Breakout 1 – Analysts Roundtable: EU ETS Market Outlook](#)

Auditorium (Ground Level)

EU carbon prices have fallen by as much as 30% since the start of the year, and many traders expect further losses. But how long will this last? Should we expect a policy intervention if prices keep falling? Will the bearish market affect the REPowerEU auctioning programme? As always at the ECS, an Analysts Roundtable will discuss markets trends and the outlook for EUA prices.

Moderator: Alessandro Vitelli, Communications Advisor - IETA

Speakers

- . Ben Lee, Senior Carbon Analyst - Energy Aspects
- . Ingvild Sørhus, Manager EU Carbon Analysis - Veyt
- . Stefan Feuchtinger, Head of Market Research & Analysis - Vertis
- . Bernadett Papp, Head of Market Analysis - Pact Capital
- . Alex Rau, General Partner - Environmental Commodity Partners
- . Lewis Unstead, Senior Analyst - EU Carbon - ICIS

[Breakout 2 – Food For Thought: An Agri-ETS](#)

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

Carbon pricing in Agri and LULUCF sectors is the EU's missing piece on the way to a wide-economy ETS coverage. The panel will discuss whether a system for pricing agricultural emissions, akin to the EU ETS, could be a feasible, effective, and realistic mitigation pathway for the EU. Hearing from other regions that have implemented similar initiatives, this panel will explore how and whether this be the right way forward to curb emissions in one of the highest emitting sectors of the EU.

Moderator: Svea Nyberg, EU Policy Officer - IETA

Speakers

- . Jessica Bensemman, Principal Analyst, Market Development, Climate Mitigation - Ministry for the Environment, New Zealand
- . Nick Marshall, Co-Founder & Director - TASC
- . Hinse Boonstra, Public Affairs Manager EMEA - Bayer
- . Goulmara Aguiar, CEO & Founder - Ormex
- . Krystyna Springer, Policy Analyst - IEEP

12:00-13:15 IETA Member Event – VCM and EU Claims
Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

12:00-13:15 [Networking Lunch](#)
Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

13:10-14:00 [Breakout 3 – Risks, Returns and Resilience: The Financial Trailblazers of the EU ETS](#)
Auditorium (Ground Level)

Banks, exchanges and other financial intermediaries play a key role in providing liquidity and risk management in the EU ETS. How are they and their clients dealing with the recent slump in European carbon prices? As the market shifts towards industrial decarbonisation, how is trading evolving and what new products can support compliance entities to manage their carbon price risk?

Moderator: Brett Orlando, Managing Director, Global Head of Commodity Transition - Bank of America

Speakers:

- . Jan-Willem van de Ven, Head of International Climate Policy and Engagement - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- . Ellen De Vocht, Policy Expert - EEX
- . Ingo Ramming, Head of Carbon Markets - BBVA
- . Mark Lewis, Head of Research and Portfolio Manager - Andurand Capital

[Breakout 4 – Communicating to Achieve Net Zero](#)
Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

Compliance and voluntary carbon markets are evolving and under continuously development. The spotlight has been shone on the VCM in recent years. Is this justified? How can communicators secure column inches with balanced coverage? Do all stakeholders agree that carbon markets are essential to deliver net zero?

Moderator: Mark Downes, Director, Global Communications - IETA

Speakers

- . Mike Szabo, Director - Carbon Pulse

- . Benja Faecks, Expert on Global Carbon Markets - Carbon Market Watch
- . Lydia Sheldrake, Director of Policy & Partnerships - VCMI
- . Lorna Ritchie, Director of Public Affairs - ICVCM
- . Teresa Hartmann, Chief Ratings Officer - BeZero

14:00-14:10 Short Break

14:10-15:10 **Plenary 2 – The Case for Credits and Claims: Navigating the Evolving EU Policy Framework**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

With new policies in the EU regulating the use of carbon credits and corporate environmental claims, the session will focus on how the EU can combat greenwashing and help consumers make better informed decisions without discouraging more ambitious climate effort. How can the EU empower businesses to pursue reduction pathways and removal activities in a way that is transparent, verified, and fair to consumers?

Moderator: Frédéric Simon, Head of EMEA - Carbon Pulse

Speakers:

- . Jennifer Jenkins, Chief Sustainability Officer - Rubicon Carbon
- . Esmé Brandon, Low Carbon Regulatory Affairs Manager - BP
- . Georgia Berry, UK and European Policy Lead - Patch
- . Rene Velasquez, Managing Partner - Valitera

15:10-15:30 **Coffee Break**

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

15:30-16:15 **Plenary 3 – Launch of IETA Guidelines for High Integrity Use of Carbon Credits**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

Carbon credits are a critically important lever to empower business to engage in climate action and pursue net zero ambitions. In service of this mission, IETA has developed a set of guidelines which offer a pragmatic approach to the high integrity use of carbon credits by corporates, in support of urgent action and net zero delivery.

Moderator: Andrea Abrahams, Managing Director, VCM - IETA

Speakers:

- . Antonia Drummond, Carbon Market Data Lead - Allied Offsets
- . Nick Osborne, Head of Shell's Environmental Products team - Shell
- . Audrey Goldstein, Director - Carbon Markets Development - Standard Chartered

16:15-17:00 **Plenary 4 – The Role of Markets in Delivering Corporate Climate Targets**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

What are the challenges corporates are facing to deliver net zero and short- to medium-term climate targets? While there is consensus on the use of markets to support global net zero and to compensate for companies' unabated emissions, does that go far enough or should other use cases be considered? What is required by society to get comfortable with use of carbon markets to "count" towards targets?

Moderator: Jonathan Grant, Chief Advisor on Climate Change - Rio Tinto

Speakers:

- . Ana Haurie, CEO - Respira
- . Jonty Rushforth, Head of Environmental Solutions - S&P Global Commodity Insights
- . Injy Johnstone, Research Associate in Net Zero Aligned Offsetting - University of Oxford
- . Katerina Kolaciova, Head of Sales - STX Group

17:00-17:45 Side Event Session 4 Organised by Carbon Finance Labs & Carbon Sig –
Unlocking the Trillion-Dollar Future: How Digital MRV and Risk Innovations will
Supercharge Carbon Removal Profits

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

Attention carbon removal developers: Get ready to double your profits and claim your share of the trillion-dollar market in 2040. This panel unveils how digital MRV & Risk innovations will revolutionize the economics of carbon removal, slashing costs, and boosting yields. Discover next-gen tools for tracking and sharing carbon data, digital custody solutions for enhanced integrity, faster credit issuance cycles, and advanced insurance products.

Facilitator & Introductory Remarks: Nick Gogerty, Managing Director - Carbon Sig

Speakers:

- . Natalia Dorfman, CEO & Co-Founder - Kita
- . Svenja Telle, Director of Origination - Base Carbon
- . Travis Caddy, Business Development Director, Evident & Lead, C-Capsule

17:15-18:15 Side Event Session 5 Organised by 44.moles – Not All Credits Are Created
Equal: Managing Complexity in the Carbon Market

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

This panel features leading voices in the carbon markets space. The discussion will focus on the challenges and opportunities that arise in the efforts to regulate carbon removal markets. The panelists will touch upon the ways in which they navigate the complexity that is intrinsic to the fight against climate change.

Moderator: Finn Grundmann, Chief Information Officer and Co-Founder - 44.moles

Speakers:

- . Olga Gassan-Zade, Member of the Board - UNFCCC Article 6.4 Supervisory Board
- . Giulia Carbone, Director of Natural Climate Solutions Alliance - World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
- . Peter Mayer, Attorney, Partner - Stairs Dillenbeck Finley Mayer

Side Event Session 6 Organised by S&P Global Commodity Insights – Dive Deep into the Intricate Web of the Global Carbon Market with "Carbon Connections"

Auditorium (Ground Level)

Explore carbon ecosystem connections at our exclusive event. Delve into intertwining exchange contracts and credits, omnibus accounts, and responsibilities like identification, reconciliation, and quality control. Join regulatory experts and industry leaders to decode carbon trading nuances. Discover S&P Global Meta Registry's role in advancing carbon trading connectivity. Unveil insights to foster a sustainable market

Moderator: Jonty Rushforth, Head of Environmental Solutions - S&P Global Commodity Insights

Speakers:

- . Adelfio Ronci, Director, Environmental Products - ICE
- . Bill Pazos, CEO - ACX
- . Andrew Howard, Senior Director of Climate Policy and Strategy - Verra
- . Alex Saer, CEO - Cercarbono

17:45-18:30 Side Event Session 7 Organised by 1Point5 & Carbon Finance Labs:

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

- . Part 1: Release of the 'IETA High-Level Criteria for the Crediting of Geological CO2 Storage Activities Handbook'

Presentation by Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

- . Part 2: The CCS+ Framework - Bridging Voluntary and Compliance Carbon Markets

The event aims to facilitate a dialogue on how to tackle market fragmentation from diverging quality assurance approaches in carbon accounting and help build investor confidence. We will delve into the role of market-based instruments such as the EU ETS for the emerging industrial carbon management economy. We will discuss how to ensure the quality and consistency of carbon accounting approaches as a bridge from voluntary to compliance markets, using CCS+ as an example.

Moderator: Christiaan Gevers Deynoot, Secretary General - CCS+ Initiative

Speakers:

- . William Barrett, Vice President, Product Development - 1PointFive

- . Benedicte Caroline Storebø, Business Development Advisor - Northern Lights
- . Ian Kuwahara, Director, Energy and Industrial Innovation - Verra

18:15-18:30 Short Break

18:30-19:30 **IETA 25th Anniversary Roundtable & Cocktail Reception**
Auditorium (Ground Level)

Facilitators:

- . Dirk Forrister, Current President & CEO - IETA
- . Andrei Marcu, First President & CEO - IETA

Speakers:

- . Pedro Moura Costa, Founder & CEO - Sustainable Investment Management
- . Rutger de Witt Wijnen, Global General Counsel and Global Director of Legal and Governance - CGIAR
- . Angela Churie Kallhaug, Executive Vice President, Impact – Environmental Defense Fund
- . Karen Degouve, Head of Sustainable Finance - French Banking Federation
- . Jan-Willem van de Ven, Head of International Climate Policy and Engagement – European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

21:00-00:00 **IETA Nightcap Party**
Old Town of Florence

Important: One Nightcap Party Invitation Card per person is a mandatory requirement for entrance. Invitations can be purchased on www.europeanclimatesummit.com or at the ECS registration counters.

THURSDAY 18 APRIL – DAY 3

8:00-10:00 **Registration & Welcome Coffee**
Entrance Foyer (Ground Level) & Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

8:00-9:00 **Side Event Session 8 Organised by ICROA – Breakfast Roundtable:
Accreditation and Endorsement Updates and Future Changes**
Board Room 9

Breakfast for ICROA organisations and interested potential organisations to learn more about Accreditation and Endorsement updates and future changes.

Introductory Remarks: Antoine Diemert, ICROA Accreditation and VCM Policy Director - ICROA

Speakers:

- . Katerina Kolaciova, Chair of ICROA Accreditation Committee & Head of Carbon Sales (VCM) - STX Group

- . Mathilde Mignot, Vice-Chair of ICROA Accreditation Committee & Group Director, Nature and Tech Nased Solutions - EcoAct
- . Hilda Galt, Lead Consultant - Climate Focus

9:00-10:00 **Side Event Session 9 Organised by Xpansiv – Harmonizing Environmental Markets: Interoperable Digital Infrastructure**

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

The world of environmental commodities is expanding rapidly. It now includes additional compliance carbon markets, new carbon crediting standards, CFS programs, timestamped RECs, and low-carbon approaches to traditional commodities – with considerable overlap between these categories. New participants and digital infrastructure are helping drive this growth, including new registries, marketplaces, and service providers. This session will explore how to encourage the interoperability of environmental market digital infrastructure needed in order to effectively deploy capital across all sectors and commodities.

Presentation & Facilitated Conversation by Jeff Berman, Senior Director - Xpansiv

Side Event Session 10 Organised by ICAP – Taking Stock of ETS Developments Globally: Key Highlights from the 2024 ICAP ETS Status Report

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

As governments around the world move to implement climate policy frameworks, ETS emerge as pivotal tools in the global fight against climate change. The 2024 edition of the ICAP Emissions Trading Worldwide Report, showcases progress in the design, implementation, and refinement of ETS globally over the past year. An initial presentation distilling the key insights from the report will be followed by a panel discussion reflecting on the latest developments and future prospects for emissions trading.

Moderator: Federica Di Sario, Climate Reporter – POLITICO

Presenter: Lewis Stevens, Senior Carbon Market Expert - ICAP

Speakers:

- . Hüseyin Ayaz, Climate Change Expert - Directorate of Climate Change, Turkey
- . Erik Hesketh, UK Emissions Trading Scheme, International Engagement - Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, UK
- . Daniele Agostini, Head of Energy and Climate Policies - ENEL
- . Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

10:00-10:10 Short Break

10:10-11:10 **Plenary 5 – Global Response to EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

This plenary will look at how the launch of the EU CBAM was received globally. We have seen greatly varying reactions from countries globally, ranging from, on the one hand, a threat of a WTO challenge and, on the opposite side of the spectrum, a commitment to establishing a domestic carbon market. The session will examine the implications of the CBAM on global trade, as well as will identify opportunities for international cooperation.

Moderator: Julia Michalak, EU Policy Director - IETA

Address by: Taras Kachka, Deputy Minister for Economic Development, Trade and Agriculture - Ukraine

Speakers:

- . Hüseyin Ayaz, Climate Change Expert - Directorate of Climate Change, Turkey
- . Rachel Armstrong, Deputy Director - Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, United Kingdom
- . Andrei Marcu, Executive Director - European Roundtable on Climate Change and Sustainable Transition
- . Anna Gastmaier, Climate Change Specialist - Vale
- . Sarah Hay, Climate Policy Manager - Norsk Hydro

11:10-11:30 [Coffee Break](#)

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

11:30-13:00 [Breakout 5 – Voluntary Carbon Market \(VCM\) World Café](#)

Auditorium (Ground Level)

Join us for a fast-paced, solutions-driven roundtable debating some of the key challenges faced by the VCM. This session will explore the following topics: A. Guardrails for the high integrity use of carbon credits to achieve net zero targets, and B. end-to-end integrity for project developers and carbon credit retailers. Both themes will be discussed under the Chatham House Rule.

Moderator: Antoine Diemert, ICROA Accreditation & VCM Policy Director - IETA

Welcome Remarks: Katerina Kolaciova, Head of Sales - STX Group

Panelists Groups:

- . Sandeep Roy Choudhury - Founder and Director - VNV Advisory
- . Katerina Kolaciova, Head of Sales - STX Group
- . Robin Green, Head of Partnerships – Carbonplace

- . Astrid Manciu, Executive Operations Manager - Forliance
- . Mathilde Mignot, Group Director - Nature & Tech based Solutions - EcoAct
- . Jonathan Shopley, Managing Director, External Affairs - Climate Impact Partners

11:30-12:05 **Breakout 6 – Armchair Conversation: Markets for Net Zero Aviation**

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

In this short armchair-style session, we will hear perspectives on net zero for aviation from a variety of perspectives. Focusing on CORSIA, this session will dig into the supply and demand challenges facing Phase 1 of the offsetting system - what does this mean for the market, and for airlines striving to meet climate goals?

Facilitator: Ellen Lourie, Director, NCS & Aviation - IETA

Speakers:

- . Michael Evans, Group Sustainability Insights Manager - International Airlines Group
- . Enric Arderiu, Global Head of Environmental Products - Mercuria
- . Guy Turner, Managing Director and Head of Carbon Markets - MSCI

12:05-12:40 **Breakout 7 – Armchair Conversation: Sailing Through the Maritime ETS**

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

With the extension of the EU ETS to the maritime sector, 12 000 ships worldwide will be covered by the EU's flagship carbon policy instrument. During this session, the panelists will discuss the challenges and implications of this expansion. They will also look into whether the sector is well-prepared to face new MRV and compliance obligations.

Facilitator: Kate Abnett, European Climate and Energy Correspondent - Reuters

Speakers:

- . Trifon Tsentides, Head of Sustainability- IFCHOR Galbraiths
- . Nicolas Girod, Co-Founder & Chief Technology Officer - ClearBlueMarkets
- . Federico Di Credico, Managing Director, Asia Pacific - ACT

12:30-13:30 **Networking Lunch**

Carbon Market Lounge East & West (Lower Level)

12:30-13:30 **Side Event Session 11 Organised by IETA – Independent Crediting Programs (ICPs) Collaboration: Progress Update on 2024 Work Plan Lunch Briefing**

Side Event Room Onice (Ground Level)

At COP28, the leading independent carbon crediting standards announced a groundbreaking collaboration to increase the impact of activities under their standards. The collaboration builds on their rich history of integrity and rigor. Join this special Lunch Briefing to learn more about the collaboration, their latest joint work since Dubai, and outlooks for this critical collaboration through Baku in November 2024.

Facilitator: Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Address by Mohamed Ben Salem Senior Specialist, Finance Partnerships - COP28

Panelists:

- . Mary Grady, Executive Director, ACR at Winrock International & Architecture for REDD+ Transactions
- . Andrew Howard, Senior Director of Climate Policy and Strategy - Verra

13:30-14:20 **Breakout 8 – From Dubai to Brazil: Article 6 and International Market Cooperation**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

COP28 ended with a disappointment for carbon market advocates as negotiators failed to reach an agreement on further Article 6.2 and Article 6.4 guidance. This session will look at the reasons for the lack of consensus, reflect on its consequences and discuss expectations ahead of COP29 and COP30. A panel of negotiators and experts will offer insight into what this means for the ongoing implementation of cooperative approaches and the development of carbon markets globally.

Moderator: Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA

Speakers:

- . Nathalie Flores, Vice-Chair - UNFCCC SBSTA
- . Olga Gassan-Zade, Former Chair - UNFCCC Article 6.4 Supervisory Body
- . Lisa DeMarco, Senior Partner and CEO - Resilient
- . Christopher Hakes, Head of Carbon Sales - BURN

Breakout 9 – A Way Forward for the UK ETS

Breakout Room Sala Verde (2nd Level)

This session will look into the UK government's plans on the future of the UK ETS, including the establishment of market stability instruments. Panelists will discuss the long-term strategic vision for the UK ETS, the integration of carbon dioxide removals in the scope of the UK ETS, as well as the market outlook and prospects for linking with the EU's carbon market.

Moderator: Victoria Hatherick, Deputy Editor, Emissions - Argus Media

Speakers:

- . Rachel Armstrong Deputy Director - Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, United Kingdom
- . Raúl C. Rosales, Professor of Practice in Net Zero Asset Management - King's College London
- . Alistair McGirr, Group Head of Policy and Advocacy - SSE
- . Varnika Chawla, Legal Senior Manager - Climate Asset Management
- . Carlo De Giacomo, Head of Commodities - Association for Financial Markets in Europe

14:20-14:30 Short Break

14:30-15:30 **Plenary 6 – Markets, Removals and CCUS: The Hat-Trick of Industrial Decarbonisation Solutions?**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

Our final plenary brings together industry, standards, accounting and policy experts to explore the biggest challenges - and opportunities - in using markets to scale carbon capture, use, removals and storage. How should these activities be recognized under the EU ETS, and why is this a critical piece to the net zero puzzle? What can we learn from other regions, and how does international cooperation fit into the picture? And what about unique accounting, governance and safeguard considerations?

Moderator: Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

- . Markus Becker, Head of Government Affairs and Policy - GE
- . Helen Bray, Vice-President Policy - Puro.Earth
- . Paul Zakkour, Founder - Carbon Counts
- . David Ungar, Managing Director - Carbon Finance Labs
- . Nicola Rega, Executive Director Climate Change and Energy - European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)

15:30 **Closing Remarks by Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)**

Auditorium (Ground Level)

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