

Option analysis and scoping for commercial capital to finance upgrades: Voluntary Carbon Offset Market Opportunity L

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Why now

Key enablers

Climate change is the 'biggest threat modern humans ever faced' Since the start of 2021, the number of floods has been staggering globally



Source: Dartmouth Flood Observatory at the University of Colorado

The climate crisis has severely impacted the physical environment, ecosystems & human societies

Severe floods caused by historic rainfall in 100 years raged through Western Europe in Jul 2021, leading to widespread damage & hundreds of death, with hundreds more missing Massive heat dome over Western North America with prolonged & sweltering heat wave has caused extensive wildfires & damages to infra, businesses, crops & wildlife in Jul 2021

Catastrophic floods & landslides in Central Vietnam in 2020 that resulted in hundreds of fatalities & US\$1.52 billion in damage were unprecedented in its scale & severity

Intense bushfires that razed >18 million hectares of bush, forest & parks & destroyed thousands of homes across Australia in 2019-2020 were Australia's costliest natural disaster to date 3

There is an increasing focus on taking action to tackle climate change & reduce GHG emissions from human activities globally



The momentum for climate action is at a tipping point as green recovery & net zero targets are a top agenda of leaders Governments & UN



A growing pool of corporates are taking the lead announcing & acting towards long-term emission reduction targets

Growing numbers of commitments & pressure to act

- 21% of the world's 2,000 largest companies representing sales of >US\$14 trillion have • committed to net-zero targets
- Investors are increasingly incorporating ESG metrics into decision-making: 33% of global . assets under management in funds that consider ESG metrics during investment process
- Green bond market grows significantly: 57% CAGR of global green bond market from 2015 • to 2019. The global green bond market remains resilient despite COVID-19, with a record issuance of US\$280 billion in 2020, compared to US\$42 billion in 2015

Momentum is spread across buyers & sectors

- MNCs purchase 50% of all offset volumes; domestic companies/SMEs accounting for another 35%
- Fortune 500s in 17 of 19 sectors had made a sustainability commitment
- 2000+ organizations from 80+ industries in 78 countries have supported the Task Force on • Climate-related Disclosures as of March 2021

Long-term trend expected to hold despite likely delays by Covid-19

- 87% of the public want corporations to integrate environmental considerations into products/ services & operations
- 40% of millennials state that sustainability is a consideration in their job choice

Source: 'Taking stock: A global assessment of net zero targets' report; Goldman Sachs; BCG

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Note: Non-exhaustive

Microsoft

facebook

AstraZeneca

amazon

Uber

Google

novo nordisk

Net-zero by 2030

Net-zero by 2040

Net-zero by 2050

VISA verizon Unilever

Mercedes-Benz COLGATE-PALMOLIVE



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Market overview



Two types of carbon markets co-exist





Buyers Companies required by regulatory bodies to purchase carbon credits (allowance & offsets - up to a set volume limit) equal to their emissions

specific regulatory bodies

Country/region-specific or industry-

Companies & individuals committing to smaller carbon footprints using carbon offsets

Companies themselves, in a credibility & reputation-driven environment

Target missFinancial penalty applied bypenaltyregulatory bodies

No penalty/ internally-defined/ backlash from customers or investors

Fragmentation Geographic & industry fragmentation Global non-regulated OTC market

Source: Ecosystem Marketplace; European Commission; World Bank; BCG





Definition Each certificate/ permit represents the legal right to emit 1 ton of CO_2 or GHG equivalent

Issuer Regulatory bodies (i.e., EU ETS) 1 ton of CO₂ or GHG equivalent emission avoided as result of a voluntary project, to offset emission produced elsewhere

Emission reduction project developers

Transaction Compliance markets market

Compliance & voluntary markets

unit transacted in the market

Two types of

Transaction Allocated or auctioned off to companies by regulators based on an method emission target. Companies can also sell excess allowances or purchase more to cover overages through ETSs¹

Registries

Member states

Purchased or traded by companies on similar emission trading systems or over the counter

- VERs²: Verra, Gold Standard, etc. - CERs³: CDM (Clean Development Mechanism) & JI (Joint Implementation)

1. Emission trading system; 2. Voluntary Emission Reductions outside the Kyoto protocol; 3. Certified Emission Reductions under the Kyoto protocol

Source: European Commission; World Bank; BCG

Different categories & sub-categories of carbon offsets exist in the market

Natural climate solutions

Technological solutions

- Carbon reduction -

Carbon_ offsets

Carbon avoidance -

- Renewable energy

Energy efficiency

Afforestation & reforestation

REDD+

Carbon sequestration (CCS)

Carbon removal (BECCS, DACCS)

A diverse portfolio of offset types is needed to help scale up carbon credit supply, including both carbon reduction & carbon avoidance solutions



Corporates have increasingly focused on 3 main types of activities to reduce its carbon footprint



Increase energy efficiency of operations

Shift to renewable energy

Purchase carbon

offsets

core element of corporate net-zero carbon plans, which has heated up compliance & voluntary

markets for carbon trading

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Compliance markets, albeit currently much larger than voluntary market, are less attractive as an entry point



Voluntary market is an inflection point & has grown dramatically over the past few years

Market size by voluntary carbon offset issuances & retirements





The volume of traded voluntary carbon offsets is expected to set another record in 2021, after experiencing 80% increase from 2019 to 2020. This growth has been driven by growing corporate commitments & point-of-sale offerings of voluntary carbon credits

Voluntary markets have channeled US\$6.7B into emission reduction activities in the past 20 years



- In 2020, voluntary market generated \$473M in revenue, highest annual value since 2012
- By August 2021, market transactions exceeded US\$748M, making this year likely the highest annual value ever tracked, potentially exceeding US\$1B

Global demand for voluntary carbon credits expected to continue to grow

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Global demand for voluntary carbon credits could increase 15x or more by 2030 & up to 100x by 2050



Depending on different price scenarios & their underlying drivers, the market for carbon credits could be worth upward of \$50 billion in 2030

1. Reflect demand established by climate commitments of >700 large companies. They are lower bounds because they do not account or the likely growth in commitments & do not represent all companies worldwide

2. TSVCM = Taskforce on Scaling Voluntary Carbon Markets

3. NGFS = Network for Greening the Financial System. These amount reflect demand based on CO_2 removal & sequestration requirements under the NGFS's 1.5°C & 2.0°C scenarios.

Source: NGFS; TSVCM; McKinsey



Voluntary demand scenarios for carbon credits, gigatons per year

Carbon prices were low for years & varied significantly across offset projects



Market price driven by supply/ demand dynamics, internal carbon market policy mechanisms that support price & limit supply, & various macroeconomic & geopolitical forces such as energy production mix & climate risk

The low prices at ~US\$6-7 a ton for years were caused by surplus of supply due to vintage carbon credits, financial crisis & lack of regulatory climate action

The current surplus of carbon offset credits could be quickly eroded, with demand expected to increase substantially over the next decade as companies seek to deliver on their net zero emissions pledges

However, carbon price expected to rise due to demand growth for higher-cost emission removal projects & limited availability of eligible quality carbon credits

Carbon prices of US\$40-80/tCO₂ by 2020 & $50-100/tCO_2$ by 2030 needed to cost-effectively reduce emissions in line with the Paris Agreement's goals

100 90 80 Target Range \$50-100/tCO2e 70 60 Target Range 60 \$40-80/tCO2e 50 50 40 Price (EUR) 40 30 30 20 20 10 1/1/2016 1/1/2017 1/1/2018 1/1/2019 1/1/2020 1/1/202 1/1/2022 1/1/2023 1/1/2024

Gradual increase in carbon prices since the inception of the Paris Agreement

EU ETS price has soared to all-time high in 2021, more than doubling from levels before Covid-19, reaching target range & projected to be on track to reach €90 towards 2030

The surge in price, along with the EU's climate package to cut GHG emissions by at least 55% by 2030, has made carbon one of the world's hottest commodities



A growing number of companies are setting high internal carbon prices, signifying their commitment to low-carbon investments

Internal carbon price: internal fee of tax charged for each business unit based on its emissions. Fees are collected in a central fund, reinvested into projects focused on energy efficiency, renewable energy, or carbon offsets

Median internal carbon price disclosed by companies in 2020 was US\$25 per $MtCO_2e$



80% increase in the number of companies planning or using an internal carbon price in just 5 years: >2,000 companies representing US\$27 trillion of market capitalization now disclosing current or planned used of internal carbon pricing



The leading driver of internal carbon pricing uptake is the desire to drive low-carbon investments, with companies viewing carbon pricing as an effective approach to prioritizing investment opportunities & catalyzing green financial flows



Other trends, beyond offsets, are further propelling & facilitating carbon market growth with new technologies & services

Increasing investments in lowcarbon technology

\$1B investment in carbon Microsoft reduction, capture & removal technologies



>\$2B fund in new netzero technologies



\$2B VC fund to advance technologies that will cut **GHG** emissions



€2B in climate smart innovations in 2020-2022 Emerging carbon consciousness & more products for individual offsetting

products





Major logistic corporations offer carbon neutral shipping options

FMCGs introduce carbon

footprint labels on

🔶 AIR CANADA BRITISH AIRWAYS SINGAPORE

Airlines offer carbon offset programs for customers



Growing demand for carbon related services

Carbon-related services market is growing

- Green financing: global green bond market remains resilient despite unprecedented challenges for the global economy & financial markets due to COVID-19, with a record issuance of \$280B in 2020, compared to \$42B in 2015
- Growing ancillary services such as research, accounting, legal, consulting, advisory (risk management & insurance)

