Domestic Offsetting and the Sustainable Development Mechanism

Interpreting Article 6 at the light of the DOPs

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Core Elements of Article 6

- Cohesion of the Article
- Voluntary system
- No discrimination for involved actors
- Non-excludability of ITMOs
- A single certification mechanism
Effects on the DOPs

• Adherence to a broader system
• Coherence of bottom-up initiatives and top-down objectives
• Linkage opportunities
• Double counting and environmental integrity
• Additionality
Limits

- Current uncertainty over Article 6
- Lack of defined rules, modalities and procedures
- Diverging interpretations
- Need for a quantified mitigation target
Thank You