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Dirk Forrister
President & CEO
International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to Monterrey and to IETA's Latin America Climate Summit 2026.

Each year, LACS brings together a community deeply engaged in shaping the future of carbon markets, and this year's discussions arrive at another important moment for climate policy and market development. While geopolitical uncertainty and shifting policy dynamics continue to test global cooperation, the momentum behind carbon markets remains strong. Across regions, we continue to see growing recognition that well-designed markets can play a critical role in supporting decarbonisation, mobilising finance, and driving investment into the transition.

As the New Carbon Order continues to take shape, the focus is increasingly shifting from ambition-setting to implementation. Over the past year, carbon markets have continued to evolve and mature, with growing emphasis on integrity, implementation, and practical delivery. More jurisdictions are adopting or expanding carbon pricing systems, and countries across Latin America and the Caribbean are playing an increasingly active role in this transformation. From emerging compliance markets to developments in Article 6 cooperation, the region is helping shape the next chapter of international carbon market activity.

This year, LACS reflects both the opportunities and challenges ahead. We will explore the evolution of compliance and voluntary markets, developments related to carbon removals, market infrastructure, and the growing role of private sector participation in achieving climate goals. We will also examine how international policies such as the EU's CBAM are influencing trade and investment decisions for companies operating across the region.

On behalf of IETA, we extend our sincere thanks to our partners, sponsors, speakers, and participants for helping make this year's summit possible. We look forward to a productive and engaging week of discussions, collaboration, and shared learning.

Welcome to LACS 2026!

Dirk Forrister

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dirk Forrister". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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- Side Event
- Members & Invite Only Meeting

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Program subject to updates*

DAY 1 TUESDAY
2 JUNE

08:30	Registration & Welcome Refreshments
10:00	📍 Registration & Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
09:00	By Invitation Only – International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP) & DG CLIMA Task Force Roundtable
17:30	📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
09:00	By Invitation Only – Verra VM0047 Workshop
13:00	📍 Salón 101D (Level 1)
09:30	Workshop 1 - IETA: Joining with Purpose
10:15	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
09:30	IETA Members Only – LAC Working Group Meeting
10:30	📍 Side Event Room - Pabellón EGyTP (Planta Baja)
10:15	Coffee Break
10:45	📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
10:30	Workshop 2 – From Co-Benefits to Core Value: The Social Pillar of Carbon
11:30	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
11:30	By Invitation Only – IETA BPMI Workshop: Carbon Pricing in Mexico - National and Subnational Progress, Policy
13:00	Coordination and Next Steps
	📍 Boardroom - Salón 505 (Level 5)
11:45	Workshop 3 – Carbon Accounting: Navigating the Emerging Global Landscape
12:45	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
12:45	Networking Lunch
13:45	📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
13:45	Workshop 4 - Who Carries the Risk? Legal Liability, Corresponding Adjustments, Registries and Labels
14:45	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
14:00	By Invitation Only – Latin America Climate Summit Media Workshop - Co-Organised by the State of Nuevo León, TEC Monterrey, IETA (For media representatives only, held in Spanish)
15:30	📍 Boardroom - Salón 505 (Level 5)
15:00	Side Event 1 - Organised by UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre: Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) in Practice: Country Readiness and Carbon Market Opportunities in Latin America
16:15	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)
15:00	Side Event 2 – Organised by Dimitra: Originating and Scaling High-Integrity Carbon: Connecting Communities, Technology & Capital in LATAM
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16:30 **Side Event 3 – Organised by Verra: Navigating Article 6.2 and CORSIA - An Overview of Verra’s Updated Label Guidance**
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📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

17:30 **Latin America Climate Summit Welcome Reception**
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📍 Outdoor Terraza EGyTP (Planta Baja)

DAY 2 WEDNESDAY

3 JUNE

08:00 **Registration & Welcome Refreshments**
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📍 Registration & Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

09:00 **Opening Ceremony**
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09:40 **Opening Ministerial Armchair – Carbon Pricing at the Core of Climate Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean**
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📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

10:00 **Coffee Break**
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10:30 **Plenary 1 – Unlocking Carbon Market: Navigating Complexities and Exploring Policy Innovation and Private-Sector Leadership for Climate Action**
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📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

11:45 **Plenary 2 – The New Carbon Order and the State of Carbon Markets in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC)**
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📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

12:45 **Networking Lunch**
13:45
📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

13:45 **Side Event 4 – Organised by S&P Global Energy: From Policy to Trade: Enabling the Next Phase of Carbon Markets**
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📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

13:45 **Side Event 5 – Organised by Carbonof: Beyond the Issuance: Additionality, Social Impact and Radical Transparency in Mexican Nature-Based-Solutions (NbS)**
14:45
📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

15:00 **Breakout 1 – Competing in a Carbon Border Era: Strategic Considerations for Latin America and Caribbean**
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15:00 **Breakout 2 – Scaling Nature-Based Carbon Removals in the New Carbon Economy**
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16:30 **Plenary 3 – Article 6 Goes Live in Latin America and the Caribbean: Turning 6.2 and Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) into Action**
17:30
📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

20:30 **IETA Nightcap Reception**
23:30
📍 Downtown Monterrey

DAY 3 THURSDAY
4 JUNE

08:30	Registration & Welcome Refreshments
09:30	📍 Registration & Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
09:00	Workshop 5 – Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) Women in Sustainability & Carbon Roundtable
10:00	📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
09:00	Side Event 6 – Organised by GIZ Euroclima: The Next Generation of Carbon Markets in Latin America and the Caribbean - Strategic Cooperation, Integrity and Implementation
10:00	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
10:10	Plenary 4 – Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM): Scaling Corporate Climate Action for Net Zero Delivery
11:10	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
11:10	Coffee Break
11:40	📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
11:40	Breakout 3 – Technology-Based Carbon Removals: From Pilots to Market
12:40	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
11:40	Breakout 4 – Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) Phase 1 Countdown: Latin America’s Opportunity to Unlock Supply and Meet Demand
12:40	📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
12:40	Networking Lunch
13:45	📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
13:45	Breakout 5 – Mexico’s Emissions Trading System (ETS): Navigating the Operational Phase
14:45	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
13:45	Breakout 6 – The Future of Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+): Integrity, Scale and Market Impact
14:45	📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
14:45	Coffee Break
15:15	📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
15:15	Plenary 5 – Unlocking Bankability: Financial Criteria and Risk Mitigation for High-Integrity Assets
16:15	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)
16:15	High-level Closing Addresses
16:30	📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)



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DAY 1

TUESDAY
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09:00 **By Invitation Only – International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP) & DG CLIMA Task Force Roundtable**
17:30 📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

For more information, please contact Victor Alejandro Ortiz Rivera, victoralejandro.ortizrivera@icapcarbonaction.com.

09:00 **By Invitation Only – Verra VM0047 Workshop**
13:00 📍 Salón 101D (Level 1)

For more information, please contact Christina Irven, cirven@verra.org.

09:30 **Workshop 1 - IETA: Joining with Purpose**
10:15 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

What does it mean to be a member of IETA? Designed for curious, strategic organizations looking to join a global network of carbon market leaders, this session is an opportunity to gain insight into how members engage in IETA's work, contribute to policy dialogue, and help shape market-based climate solutions. For more information and interest in participating, please contact Valeria Campos, campos@ieta.org.

Facilitator:

👤 **Valeria Campos**, Membership Program - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 **Amy Kessler**, Director of Latin America - Climate Action Reserve (CAR)
- 👤 **Carlos Cordova**, Director of Environmental Solutions for the Americas - S&P Global Energy
- 👤 **Felipe Avilan**, Head of Carbon - ACT Group

09:30 **IETA Members Only – LAC Working Group Meeting**
10:30 📍 Side Event Room - Pabellón EGyTP (Planta Baja)

For more information, please contact Camilo Trujillo, trujillo@ieta.org

10:15 **Coffee Break**
10:45 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

10:30 **Workshop 2 – From Co-Benefits to Core Value: The Social Pillar of Carbon**
11:30 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

A discussion on the evolving social dimension of carbon projects and programmes. The session explores advances in social metrics and methodologies, their interaction with national regulations, and experiences from Latin America on integrating social outcomes into high-integrity carbon markets.

Moderator:

👤 **Carlos Aragón**, Country Director Brazil - Governors' Climate and Forests (GCF) Task Force

Speakers:

- 👤 Juan Pablo Castro, Director for Latin America - Climate Focus
- 👤 José Yuren López, Carbon Project Coordinator and Ejido Administrator - Ejido la Catedral
- 👤 Lucia Madrid, Associate Director, Safeguards and IPLC Engagement - ART TREES
- 👤 Karen Rodríguez Moedano, Gerente de Bosques y Cambio Climático - CONAFOR

11:30 - 13:00 **By Invitation Only – IETA BPMI Workshop: Carbon Pricing in Mexico - National and Subnational Progress, Policy Coordination and Next Steps**
 📍 Boardroom - Salón 505 (Level 5)

11:45 - 12:45 **Workshop 3 – Carbon Accounting: Navigating the Emerging Global Landscape**
 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

As carbon markets expand, border measures emerge, and disclosure regimes advance, 2026 marks a structural shift in global carbon accounting. Reforms and partnerships across standards spur debate on measurement and comparability. IETA's popular workshop convenes experts to explore evolving frameworks, convergence versus flexibility, and Latin America's role shaping this landscape.

Moderator:

- 👤 Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Arsalan Syed, Director of Business Development, Carbon - S&P Global Energy
- 👤 Matt Toohey, Chief Technology Officer - Modern West
- 👤 Cynthia Salicrup, Partner - ERM
- 👤 Leonardo Maues, Carbon Market Manager - Petrobras

12:45 - 13:45 **Networking Lunch**
 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

13:45 - 14:45 **Workshop 4 - Who Carries the Risk? Legal Liability, Corresponding Adjustments, Registries and Labels**
 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

Legal uncertainty can emerge at multiple points across the carbon chain, from authorization and corresponding adjustments to registry treatment, labels, and the credibility of use claims. This workshop will explore how those risks are allocated in practice, who may bear responsibility, and how market actors are seeking to manage them.

Moderator:

- 👤 Agustina Cundari, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Guillermo Jover, Partner - Ferrere
- 👤 David Quevedo, Director & Founder - Unión Kairos
- 👤 Osvaldo de la Fuente, Senior Legal Adviser, Environmental Regulation and Enforcement - Superintendence of Environment, Chile

14:00 - 15:30 **By Invitation Only – Latin America Climate Summit Media Workshop - Co-Organised by the State of Nuevo León, TEC Monterrey, IETA (For media representatives only, held in Spanish)**
 📍 Boardroom - Salón 505 (Level 5)

For media representatives only. This workshop will explore the evolving carbon market landscape, discuss criteria pollutants and emissions that drive climate change while examining types of projects and policies that help prevent or reduce them. It will provide a platform to discuss pathways toward low-carbon economic development and the role that



carbon markets, innovation, and environmental policy play in supporting sustainable growth across the region.

Presenters:

- 👤 Camilo Trujillo, LAC Policy Advisor - IETA
- 👤 Eduardo Aguiñag, Research Professor - EGADE Business School
- 👤 Alfonso Martinez, Undersecretary of Environment in the Secretary of Environment - State of Nuevo Leon, Mexico

15:00 - 16:15 Side Event 1 - Organised by UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre: Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) in Practice: Country Readiness and Carbon Market Opportunities in Latin America
 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

This side event will bring together governments, private sector actors, academia, and financial institutions to discuss how Latin American countries are preparing for participation in PACM. The session will explore institutional readiness, carbon pricing instruments, investment opportunities, and enabling conditions for high-integrity mitigation activities.

Co-Facilitators:

- 👤 Agustina Cundari, International Policy Advisor - IETA
- 👤 Ana Dominguez, Article 6 and Carbon Market specialist - RCC Latin America, UNFCCC

Presenters:

- 👤 Daniel Galván, Programme Officer - UNFCCC
- 👤 María Jimena Jurado, Carbon Markets and Climate Finance Associate - CCAP
- 👤 Adriana Bazán, Climate Finance Senior Associate - CCAP
- 👤 Cristian Grisales, Especialista de Mercados de Carbono - CAF

15:00 - 16:00 Side Event 2 – Organised by Dimitra: Originating and Scaling High-Integrity Carbon: Connecting Communities, Technology & Capital in LATAM
 📍 Side Event Room - Pabellón EGYTP (Planta Baja)

This session explores how to originate, structure, and scale community-based carbon projects across Latin America – connecting producers to buyers, investors, and climate finance. Real-world case studies examine AI, satellite monitoring, and field data as tools for transparency and high-integrity nature-based credits.

Moderator:

- 👤 Calvin Funez, Spanish America Director - Dimitra

Speakers:

- 👤 Concepción Miguel Martinez, Director of Protected Natural Area Nayarit - National Commission of Protected Natural Areas (CONANP)
- 👤 Antonio Muñoz, CEO & Director General - Fundación Biósfera de Álica
- 👤 Karen Belen Rodriguez Moedano, Forest and Climate Change Manager - CONAFOR
- 👤 Jon Trask, CEO & Director General - Dimitra
- 👤 Jose Osio, Mexico Agent - Dimitra

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee Break
 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)



16:30 **Side Event 3 – Organised by Verra: Navigating Article 6.2 and CORSIA - An Overview of Verra's Updated Label**
17:30 **Guidance**
📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

As carbon markets evolve, clarity on Article 6 and CORSIA implementation is increasingly important. This side event will present Verra's updated guidance for VCS projects and buyers, reflecting recent UNFCCC and ICAO decisions. A panel of market experts will discuss implementation challenges, corresponding adjustments, and high-integrity credits in international markets.

Moderator:

👤 **Susana Velez Haller**, Regional Representative, Latin America and the Caribbean - Verra

Speakers:

👤 **Carmen Álvarez**, International Policy Lead - Sylvera

👤 **Agustina Cundari**, International Policy Advisor - IETA

17:30 **Latin America Climate Summit Welcome Reception**
18:30 📍 Outdoor Terraza EGyTP (Planta Baja)

Open to all Summit Delegates.





DAY 2 **WEDNESDAY**
3 JUNE

08:00 **Registration & Welcome Refreshments**
09:00 📍 Registration & Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

09:00 **Opening Ceremony**
09:40 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Master of Ceremony:

👤 **Mariana Elizabeth Peña**, Coordinadora de Iniciativas en Desarrollo Sostenible - Tecnológico de Monterrey, Ruta Azul

Organiser Welcome Address:

👤 **Dirk Forrister**, President & CEO - IETA

Host Addresses:

👤 **Raúl Lozano Caballero**, Secretary of Environment - State of Nuevo León, Mexico

👤 **Samuel Alejandro García**, Governor - State of Nuevo León, Mexico

Ministerial Address:

👤 **Alicia Bárcenas**, Secretary - SEMARNAT

Institutional Partner Address:

👤 **Miguel Treviño**, Director, Escuela de Gobierno y Transformación Pública - Tecnológico de Monterrey

09:40 **Opening Ministerial Armchair – Carbon Pricing at the Core of Climate Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean**
10:00 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

This armchair convenes ministerial representatives from the LAC region to examine carbon pricing within the regional policy mix. Panelists will address critical implementation challenges and the innovative strategies deployed to navigate them. They will explore cross-border cooperation to unlock climate finance, harmonize regional markets, and ensure a just transition toward a low-carbon economy.

Moderator:

👤 **Luis Fernández Carriel**, IPCC Author - Tecnológico de Monterrey

Speakers:

👤 **Javier Arribas Quintana**, Minister Counsellor for Sustainability and Energy Transition - Delegation of the European Union in Mexico

👤 **Teresa Cristina de Melo Costa**, Program Director at the Extraordinary Secretary on Carbon Markets - Ministry of Finance, Brazil

10:00 **Coffee Break**
10:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

10:30 **Plenary 1 – Unlocking Carbon Market: Navigating Complexities and Exploring Policy Innovation and Private-Sector Leadership for Climate Action**
11:30 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Following a presentation on decarbonization pathways to navigate technological and regulatory shifts, a high-level panel will examine industrial strategies to accelerate emissions reductions. Experts will explore policy innovation and how companies navigate local complexities. The discussion highlights private-sector leadership in scaling



implementation, ensuring corporate strategies align with evolving regulations to drive impactful, long-term climate action.

Moderator:

👤 Alicia Galindo Program, Director Master in Finance - Tecnológico de Monterrey EGADE Business School

Scene Setting Presentation:

👤 Edmundo Molina, Director of the Decision Science Research Center - Tecnológico de Monterrey School of Government and Public Transformation

Speakers:

👤 Carlos Medina Ayala, Director for Sustainability and CO₂ Agenda Mexico - CEMEX

👤 Alfonso Martínez, Undersecretary for Environmental Protection and Natural Resources - State of Nuevo León, Mexico

👤 Francisco José Con Garza, Vicepresidente de Operaciones Comerciales en Saavi Energía - CAINTRA

👤 Naomi Flores, Strategy Director - Mexico2

11:45 - 12:45 Plenary 2 – The New Carbon Order and the State of Carbon Markets in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC)
📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Representing 20% of global operational carbon pricing instruments, LAC is a leading force shaping the new carbon order. This panel brings together public and private-sector experts to share regional regulatory updates, market trends, and innovations in policy design. The discussion will also address the importance of governments setting clear frameworks for corporates deploying capital and innovation to deliver a high-growth, low-carbon future.

Moderator:

👤 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

Scene Setting Presentation:

👤 Victor Alejandro Ortiz Rivera, Carbon Market Expert - ICAP

Speakers:

👤 Cristina Figueroa, Carbon Pricing and Carbon Markets Coordinator - Ministry of Environment, Chile

👤 Ricardo Torres, Central and South America Co-Chair - Carbon Pricing in the Americas

👤 Lukas Visek, Member of the Diplomatic Taskforce for Carbon Pricing and Carbon Markets - DG Clima, European Commission

👤 Henrique Paiva de Paula, General Coordinator of Carbon Market Regulation - Ministry of Finance, Brazil

12:45 - 13:45 Networking Lunch
📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

13:45 - 14:45 Side Event 4 – Organised by S&P Global Energy: From Policy to Trade: Enabling the Next Phase of Carbon Markets
📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Carbon markets are entering a pivotal phase of growth and scrutiny. This session will examine how key stakeholders – from governments and standards organizations to project developers, brokers, and traders – are shaping the market’s evolution. Panelists will explore how policy frameworks, credit integrity, supply development, and market liquidity intersect, and what is needed to move from fragmented activity to a more mature, trusted, and efficient global market.

Facilitator:

👤 Carlos Cordova, Director, Environmental Solutions - S&P Global Energy

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Sergio Cerda, Carbon Pricing and Markets Specialist - Ministry of Environment, Chile
- 👤 Susana Velez Haller, Regional Representative, Latin America and the Caribbean - Verra
- 👤 Ludovino Lopes, Chief Executive Officer - C2050
- 👤 Cliserio Gonzalez, LATAM Director - Boomitra

13:45 Side Event 5 – Organised by Carbonof: Beyond the Issuance: Additionality, Social Impact and Radical Transparency
14:45 in Mexican Nature-Based-Solutions (NbS)

📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Issuing offsets is often treated as the finish line. In practice, it is just the beginning. This session uses Mexico's NbS landscape as a case study to explore what high-integrity project development looks like beyond the issuance date. Drawing on direct field experience, panelists will address how these elements connect to what buyers, standards and compliance frameworks are increasingly demanding, making the case that Mexico is not an emerging supplier, but a benchmark for high-integrity NbS.

Moderator:

- 👤 Marco Adrián Hernández, CEO - Carbonof

Speakers:

- 👤 Rubi Cuenca Lara, Director of Forest Projects - Carbonof
- 👤 Alma Hernández, Chief Compliance & Culture Officer - Carbonof
- 👤 Amy Kessler, Director, Market Development - Climate Action Reserve (CAR)
- 👤 Marco Herrera, President Comisariado - Ejido Los Altares

15:00 Breakout 1 – Competing in a Carbon Border Era: Strategic Considerations for Latin America and Caribbean

16:00 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Border carbon measures are now reshaping global market access and redefining industrial competitiveness based on product-level, data-driven carbon performance. This session convenes experts to assess Europe's CBAM definitive period, responses from non-EU producers, policy reactions via ETS and alignment, and emerging climate-trade platforms, highlighting key developments to watch through COP31.

Moderator:

- 👤 Mariana Tavares, Policy Advisor, Brazil - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Rodrigo Lauria, Director of Climate Change and Decarbonization - Vale
- 👤 Emma Santana, Carbon Policy Analyst - OPIS, A Dow Jones Company
- 👤 Edurne Ponce de Leon, Government Affairs Leader - Dow Chemicals
- 👤 Daniele Macedo, Senior Manager of Sustainability and Climate Change - EY Brazil

15:00 Breakout 2 – Scaling Nature-Based Carbon Removals in the New Carbon Economy

16:00 📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Removals will play a key role in corporates and countries transition to net zero. This breakout brings a practical discussion on how to unlock capital flows for nature-based carbon removals, including Afforestation, Reforestation, and Revegetation (ARR), blue carbon and regenerative agriculture. The session explores current state and challenges, scale projections, case studies, and innovations that strengthen integrity, measurement and investability.



Moderator:

👤 Amy Kessler, Director Market Development - Climate Action Reserve (CAR)

Speakers:

👤 Teresa Tattersfield, Executive Director and Co Founder - BRET Consultores

👤 Geraldo Rios, NBS Lead - Ocean Pact

👤 Guilherme Prado, Project Director - Future Climate

👤 Ines Melendez, International Strategy Manager - Woodside Energy

👤 Ed Mitchard, Chief Scientist & Co-Founder - Space Intelligence

16:00 **Coffee Break**

16:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

16:30 **Plenary 3 – Article 6 Goes Live in Latin America and the Caribbean: Turning 6.2 and Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) into Action**

17:30 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

With Article 6 moving from rulemaking to execution, this session examines where Latin America stands on authorizations, bilateral agreements, and Internationally Transferred Mitigation Outcomes (ITMO) transactions. Speakers will share early lessons from implemented deals, remaining bottlenecks, and what is needed to scale demand-driven international cooperation with integrity and host-country benefits.

Moderator:

👤 Agustina Cundari, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Scene Setting Presentation:

👤 Carolina Grangeia, Managing Partner - EOS Consulting

Speakers:

👤 Antonio Diaz Aranda, Article 6 LATAM Focal Point - South Pole

👤 Kathia Cáceres, Analista Mercados de Carbono - Dirección General de Cambio Climático y Desertificación - Ministry of Environment, Peru

👤 Daniel Galvan Perez, Programme Officer, Mitigation Division - UNFCCC

20:30 **IETA Nightcap Reception**

23:30 📍 Downtown Monterrey

Separate paid ticket required for entrance, purchased online in advance of the Reception. Limited capacity. Tickets are sold on a first come, first serve basis - www.ieta.org/events/latin-america-climate-summit.



DAY 3 **THURSDAY**
4 JUNE

08:30 **Registration & Welcome Refreshments**
09:30 📍 Registration & Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

09:00 **Workshop 5 – Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) Women in Sustainability & Carbon Roundtable**
10:00 📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Join us for a dedicated networking roundtable hosted by the Women in Carbon and IETA, celebrating the leadership and growing impact of women in carbon markets and sustainability across the region. As carbon markets expand and diversify, promoting visibility and inclusion is essential for shaping a more equitable and effective climate finance landscape.

Co-Facilitators:

- 👤 Alejandra Gonzalez, Independent Carbon Consultant - Women in Carbon Mexico
- 👤 Mariana Tavares, Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Natalia Azevedo, Senior Associate - Pinheiro Neto Advogados
- 👤 Vittoria Zaniboni, Head of Decarbonization and Strategic Growth - Myzelio
- 👤 Sophia Wood, Senior Sourcing & Strategic Partnerships Manager, NbS - Climeworks
- 👤 Susana Velez, Regional Representative, Latin America and the Caribbean - Verra

09:00 **Side Event 6 – Organised by GIZ Euroclima: The Next Generation of Carbon Markets in Latin America and the Caribbean - Strategic Cooperation, Integrity and Implementation**
10:00 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Discussion panel on the future of carbon markets and carbon pricing instruments in Latin America and the Caribbean. The session will bring together representatives from governments, international organizations, and regional cooperation initiatives to discuss emerging trends, implementation, integrity, transparency, and opportunities for regional collaboration to strengthen climate action across the region.

Moderator:

- 👤 Itzel Alcérreca, Regional Advisor – Euroclima GIZ

Speakers:

- 👤 Adriana Bazán, Directora del Programa de Financiamiento Climático - Centro de Políticas de Aire Limpios (CCAP) - OMC LAC
- 👤 Lukas Visek, Diplomatic Task Force for Carbon Pricing and Carbon Markets - European Commission Directorate General for Climate Action (DG Clima)
- 👤 Ana Dominguez, Climate Change Article 6 and Carbon Pricing Instruments Specialist - UNFCCC
- 👤 Paola del Rio, Head Carbon Markets LATAM - BBVA
- 👤 Iván Hernández Villegas, Director General - Sajome Climate

10:10 **Plenary 4 – Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM): Scaling Corporate Climate Action for Net Zero Delivery**
11:10 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Corporates remain the largest and most dynamic source of demand in the VCM. Despite challenges, carbon credits remain a critical bridge for companies on the path to net zero. Restoring and scaling corporate demand, however, will depend on the establishment of a credible “safe harbour” that provides clarity and integrity in how



credits are used. This plenary will examine what an effective safe harbour should look like, and the roles governments, standard setters and market actors play.

Moderator:

Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

- Spencer Meyer**, Chief Ratings Officer - BeZero Carbon
- David Antonioli**, Founder & CEO - Transition Finance
- Santiago Olivares**, Sustainability and Climate Specialist - MSCI
- Helena Barona**, Regional Coordinator, LatAm - Plan Vivo
- Jimena Marván Santín**, Executive Director - Chapter Zero México

11:10 Coffee Break
11:40 **Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)**

11:40 Breakout 3 – Technology-Based Carbon Removals: From Pilots to Market
12:40 **Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)**

Innovations linking waste streams to carbon markets in LAC countries: methane extraction from landfills for renewable gas production and organic waste pyrolysis yielding biochar for durable removals. This session analyzes project feasibility, regulatory alignment, market crediting mechanisms, and strategies to accelerate deployment across urban and rural contexts.

Moderator:

Jorge Plauchu, Programme Director - Cercarbono

Speakers:

- Sebastian Fragni**, Executive Director - GMF Nature Based Solutions
- Daniel Sierra**, Vice President of Policy, Strategy and Market Outreach - Exomad Green
- Carlos Martins**, Brazil Director - ACX
- Nuno Barbosa**, Founder - Unicarbo

11:40 Breakout 4 – Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) Phase 1 Count-down: Latin America’s Opportunity to Unlock Supply and Meet Demand
12:40 **Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)**

The year 2026 marks the end of Phase 1 for CORSIA, and the eligible supply gap is a material risk for airlines. Speakers will discuss the current situation among LAC countries and governments, the need for clear positions and policies, authorization pathways and predictable issuance timelines, and how airlines are screening projects (integrity, delivery risk, pricing) and integrating SAF and credits into compliance strategies.

Moderator:

Agustina Cundari, International Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- Juan Carlos Arredondo**, Member of the Technical Advisory Body (TAB) for CORSIA, ICAO & Director of Knowledge and Policy, Abatable
- Julio Antonio Díaz Cruz**, Environmental Manager - Aeromexico *
- Cristina Figueroa**, Carbon Pricing and Carbon Markets Coordinator - Ministry of Environment, Chile
- Susana Velez**, Regional Representative, Latin America and the Caribbean – Verra
- Takashi Hongo**, Senior Fellow - Mitsui & Co



12:40 **Networking Lunch**
 13:45 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

13:45 **Breakout 5 – Mexico’s Emissions Trading System (ETS): Navigating the Operational Phase**
 14:45 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

Mexico has the opportunity to implement the first ETS in LAC, serving as a pillar for long-term decarbonization and cross-sector innovation. This panel presents and discusses design elements, and regulatory progress to ensure proper implementation. Policymakers and technical experts will analyze opportunities to harmonize federal and subnational carbon pricing instruments, safeguarding industry competitiveness while streamlining market operations.

Moderator:
 🗣️ **Camilo Trujillo**, LAC Policy Advisor - IETA

Speakers:
 🗣️ **Diana Guzman**, Directora de Políticas de Mitigación al Cambio Climático - SEMARNAT
 🗣️ **Ibette Sosa**, Gerente de Sustentabilidad - Holcim
 🗣️ **Jose Ramón Ardavin**, Executive Director - CESPEDES
 🗣️ **Tomas Molina**, Head Trader LATAM - Renewable Energy & Carbon - ACT

13:45 **Breakout 6 – The Future of Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+): Integrity, Scale and Market Impact**
 14:45 📍 Breakout Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

As REDD+ enters a moment of renewed confidence, this panel offers a multi-perspective discussion on its current role and future direction. We will look at how companies are using REDD+ credits in their decarbonization strategies, how subnational entities are integrating REDD+ into public policies, and how it is being reflected in domestic carbon markets as well as in emerging international mechanisms such as CORSIA and Article 6 under the Paris Agreement.

Moderator:
 🗣️ **Pedro Venzon**, Brazil Lead - IETA

Speakers:
 🗣️ **Fabian Gaioli**, CEO - Coralia Environmental
 🗣️ **Angela Duque**, CEO - Biocarbon Registry
 🗣️ **Carmen Alvarez**, Jurisdictional Policy Lead - Sylvera
 🗣️ **Judith Walcott**, Regional Coordinator, Nature & Market-based Solutions, Latin America & the Caribbean - United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

14:45 **Coffee Break**
 15:15 📍 Carbon Market Lounge - Lobby Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

15:15 **Plenary 5 – Unlocking Bankability: Financial Criteria and Risk Mitigation for High-Integrity Assets**
 16:15 📍 Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGyTP (Ground Level)

Experts will analyze strategic investment frontiers within carbon markets, identifying the core criteria for capital deployment and the enabling conditions required to mobilize large-scale institutional finance. Simultaneously, the panel will examine the evolution of innovative insurance instruments designed to mitigate delivery, reversal, and political risks, ensuring project bankability in alignment with emerging market demands for high-integrity assets.

Moderator:
 🗣️ **Dirk Forrister**, President & CEO - IETA

Speakers:

- Paola del Río, Senior Vice President Carbon Markets LATAM - BBVA
- Javier Bernal, Copresidente de la Comisión ASG - Asociación de Bancos de México
- Ana Beatriz Freitas, Head of Payments for Ecosystem Services - Amazon Investor Coalition
- Ana Regina Ramirez, Directora de Sostenibilidad - Banorte*
- David Antonioli, Founder & CEO - Transition Finance

16:30 High-level Closing Addresses

Plenary Room - Sala de Conferencias EGYTP (Ground Level)

Speakers:

- Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA
- Paola Visconti, Director Desarrollo Sostenible y Vinculación - TEC de Monterrey

*Invited, pending confirmation

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 **José Ramón Ardavín Ituarte, Executive Director - CESPEDES**

"We're at LACS to support carbon market development grounded in real data, connecting farm-level activity to transparent, verifiable systems that strengthen trust and long-term market integrity."

 **Jon Trask, CEO - Dimitra Technology**

"At ERM, we help organizations turn climate ambition into actionable strategies—leveraging carbon markets and technical expertise to deliver credible, high-impact decarbonization. Proud to be part of #LACS2026 shaping the region's future."

 **Cynthia Salicrup, Partner - ERM**

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 **Carlos Aragon, Brazil Director - GCF Task Force**

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 **Jonty Rushforth, Head of Energy Transition, Sustainability & Services - S&P Global Energy**

"As the work to scale carbon markets continues, maintaining trust and integrity will be critical. At LACS Verra is proud to support discussions on how the implementation of CORSIA and Article 6 can help strengthen international cooperation and advance credible climate action."

 **Susana Velez Haller, Regional Representative, Latin America and the Caribbean - Verra**

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 **Karen Silverwood-Cope, Climate Director - WRI Brasil**

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