

The Partnership for Market Readiness (PMR)

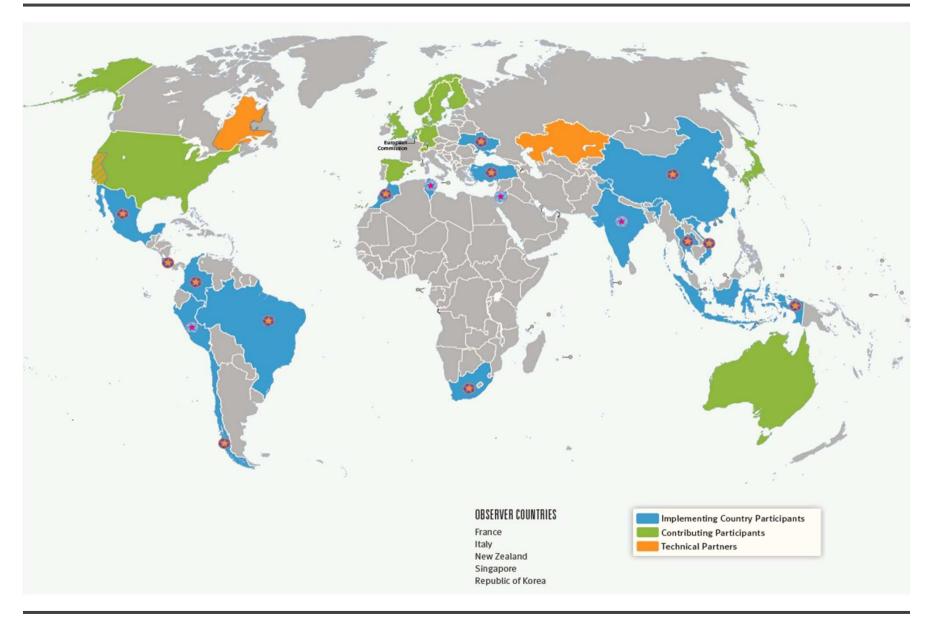
Supporting Action for Climate Change Mitigation

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Keeping up the Pace with Developments around the World







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Supporting Countries in Developing Compatible Domestic Market Approaches

- The PMR facilitates the choice, design or implementation of a number of policy instruments:
- **1.** Emissions Trading Schemes
- 2. Carbon Taxes
- 3. Scaled-up Crediting
- 4. Offsets



... to do so, the PMR carries out ground work through:

Institutional strengthening and readiness building to support implementation Technical work (MRV, baseline setting, governance & institutions, etc.)

Upstream policy analysis, including modeling





Case Study: South Africa's Carbon Tax

Response to
voluntary
commitment to
reduce emissions
and reduce the
country's reliance
on fossil fuels

 Prices: R120/tonne (\$10/tonne), rising by 10% per year but with tax free allowance leading to initial marginal tax rate of R12-48/tCO₂ (\$1-\$4/tonne) Coverage: 75% of emissions including electricity generation, gasification, glass, cement, refining, mining, paper and pulp, iron and steel, aluminium, chemicals and transport

 Revenues are expected to be recycled although details are still to be determined





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Observations and Insights Gained through the PMR Operation

- Most countries are still considering which carbon pricing instrument to pursue.
- Decisions on emissions trading, carbon tax or other instrument are part of a highly sensitive political process.
- Both political leadership and "readiness" support are needed to advance the carbon pricing agenda.
- Readiness building does not only aim at preparing for the implementation of a carbon pricing instrument but it also supports the decision-making process about the instrument itself.
- Country-to-country exchanges and knowledge sharing facilitate cooperation and innovation, ultimately facilitating a successful implementation of carbon pricing instruments.





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