

ClearBlue Markets

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About ClearBlue Markets

ClearBlue Markets is a carbon pricing and finance advisory firm that specializes in identifying and capturing carbon value in all aspects of carbon markets, whether compliance (WCI, EU-ETS, Federal Backstop), or Voluntary.



Focused Reports

Contributed to client reports focused on the voluntary market, EU-ETS, and Alberta TIER scheme



Client Meetings and Training

Met with clients in a range of contexts, from training their employees to providing quarterly market insights

Favourite Project: Offsetting ClearBlue's Lifetime Emissions

Calculating Scope 1, 2 and 3 Emissions:

- Created a flight offsetting calculator
- Calculated lifetime commuting and energy consumption emissions for Toronto and Amsterdam offices

Offsetting:

 Created a case-study document and description on ClearBlue's website

The most popular type of

voluntary offset project is

Forestry, followed by

Alternative Energy

 Assisted ClearBlue in compensating for emissions through a Madagascar solar project and becoming 'climate-positive

The Voluntary Carbon Market is

forecast to reach between \$30

and \$180 billion by 2030

(TSVCM, 2020)

Pricing of offsets can depend

on vintage, registry, the

project developer, the type

of project, and additional co-

benefits

The Voluntary Carbon Market (VCM) In a Nutshell



Key Takeaway:

A tonne of CO2 is not

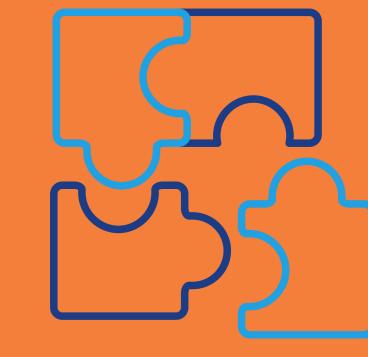
always a tonne of CO2

- The VCM, with compliance markets, was born with the ratification of the Kyoto Protocol and introduction of the Clean Development Mechanism
- Over the last two years, COVID-19 and the climate crisis have encouraged environmental and philanthropic action, alongside a real need to reduce emissions
- The VCM and offsets have become an attractive option for corporates, organizations, and individuals looking to compensate or offset their emissions



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- The market, despite recent growth, remains fragmented and less transparent compared to compliance carbon or traditional commodity markets, with many registries/ standards, governments, corporates, industry associations, and more involved
- As a result, initatives such as the Taskforce on Scaling Voluntary Carbon Markets (TSVCM), Voluntary Carbon Markets Integrity Initative (VCMI), and Science-Based Target Initative (SBTi) have emerged
- These bodies, alongside governmental efforts (such as the upcoming Paris Agreement Article 6 discussions at



stakeholders

- COP26) are helping to define how the market will operate going forward





Bi-Weekly Update

Prepared a Bi-Weekly Voluntary Carbon Market update for clients



Weekly Team Updates

Supply, Demand, Pricing, and Corporate updates and a weekly discussion topic



News and Updates

Staying on top of market fundamentals through news releases, journals, conferences, posts, and tracking this information