



WELCOME TO THE IETA TOKYO CARBON MARKET DIALOGUE

14 May 2026

With Japan's mandatory GX-ETS just launched in April 2026, and international market linkages being advanced through the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM); IETA is pleased to welcome you to our inaugural Tokyo Carbon Market Dialogue.

The day will start with a closed-door workshop, networking lunch and Japan Working Group meeting (for IETA members only) in a smaller setting at Sumitomo Corporation, before opening up to the public-facing afternoon session.

The afternoon session will include the **Official Launch of IETA's flagship report: *Carbon Markets and Emissions Trading in Japan: Unleashing the Green Transformation.*** Followed by several high-level panel sessions on emissions trading, JCM, Article 6 and global carbon market developments. The day will end with an informal networking reception. The event is for free for all registered participants.

We want to thank our sponsors for their generous support to make this event possible:

EVENT SPONSORS NETWORKING PARTNER

MEDIA PARTNER



AGENDA

13.15 – 14.15

Registration Opens

Location:

[Otemachi Place Hall & Conference](#), First Floor (1F), East Tower,
Ōtemachi, 1 Chome-2-1 Otemachi One 3F, Tokyo 100-0004

14.15 – 17.45

**IETA TOKYO CARBON MARKET DIALOGUE –
PUBLIC-FACING LAUNCH EVENT & PANEL SESSIONS**
(in-person only)

14.15 – 14.30

Welcoming & Launch Ceremony

Official launch of the IETA Report “*Carbon Markets and Emissions Trading in Japan: Unleashing the Green Transformation*”.

14.30 – 15.30

Panel 1: Carbon Markets in a Challenging World

As Japan advances its GX ETS, it does so in an increasingly complex global landscape shaped by geopolitical tensions, trade measures, and diverging carbon market approaches. This session explores how the GX ETS may evolve in the coming years, drawing lessons from more mature systems such as the EU, Korea, and Australia. It will examine how Japan can balance competitiveness with climate ambition, respond to instruments like CBAM, and ensure its carbon market supports real economic transformation while contributing to the achievement of its NDC targets.

Speakers:

- Taisei Matsuki, Senior Climate Change Specialist, World Bank
- Kyunghwa Jeon, Director, BeFlat
- Kazuya Okada, Carbon Credit Development Unit Leader, Osaka Gas
- Donald Eubank, Senior Advisor, Sustainable Finance and Policy, Climate Finance Asia
- Manabu Kido, Japan Representative, IETA

15.35 – 16.30

Panel 2: Scaling up Article 6: Global Developments & the Future of JCM

As momentum builds around Article 6 in the lead-up to COP31, attention is shifting from rulemaking to implementation. This session explores recent UNFCCC developments and the evolving

landscape of bilateral deals, with a focus on what it will take to scale Japan's Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM). It will examine how to expand high-integrity supply, streamline processes, and improve efficiency, while also addressing the practical challenge of connecting project developers with buyers to unlock greater participation and impact.

Speakers:

- Takashi Hongo, Senior Fellow, Mitsui & Co. Global Strategic Studies Institute
- Martalena Nurseno, Chief Commercial Officer, Qatalyst
- Kazuhisa Koakutsu, Director, The Paris Agreement Article 6 Implementation Partnership Center (A6IP), IGES*
- Hiroshi Suetsugu, CEO, Deloitte Tohmatu Sustainacraft (DTSC)
- Jack Chong, Director APAC, S&P Global

16.35 – 17.30

Panel 3: Raising the Bar: Delivering Credible Climate Impact through High-Integrity Carbon Projects

As carbon markets evolve, integrity is being placed at the core. This session explores how the Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM) is setting global quality thresholds, how the emerging Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism is defining compliance-grade supply, and how carbon ratings agencies are influencing buyer behaviour. It also examines the growing role of nature finance in scaling high-quality projects while delivering environmental and social outcomes.

Speakers:

- Sudhir Sharma, Regional Coordinator, Finance and Economic Transformation, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)*
- Sami Isutz, Team Leader, Carbon Solution Business Unit, Sumitomo Corporation
- Alex Rau, Partner, Environmental Commodities Partners*
- Finn O'Muircheartaigh, General Manager, APAC, BeZero Carbon
- Bryan McCann, Head of APAC, Abatable*

17.35 – 17.45

Closing Remarks

- Björn Fondén, International Policy Manager – APAC Lead, IETA

18.15 – 21.00

Networking Reception

Informal networking reception for registered participants to close off the IETA Tokyo Carbon Market Dialogue. *Generously hosted by Deloitte Tohmatsu Sustainacraft Co., Ltd.*

Location:

Day Nite Otemachi

*B1F, Urbannet Otemachi Building 2-2-2, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-0004 Japan*

*TBC

