

05. TRANSITION PROCEDURE TO TRANSITION PROJECTS FROM OTHER STANDARDS TO GOLD STANDARD FOR THE GLOBAL GOALS

SUMMARY

- Guidance document to PDs/VVBs for Transition
- Provides additional clarifications

PD/VVBs shall follow

- GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements – Annex B
- Transition Request Form

TRANSITION PROCEDURE

Objective	CDM	Other Carbon Standards
Deregistration	Not required	Required
Crediting Period start date	on or after 01/01/2016	on or after 01/01/2016
Additionality demonstration	Not required unless project falls into nonadditional category under the relevant activity requirement	Required
Methodology eligibility	Must apply Gold Standard approved CDM methodologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must apply Gold Standard approved methodologies • seek approval for existing methodology to become approved
Crediting cycle	Total duration of crediting period shall not exceed maximum crediting period allowed under relevant GS4GG activity requirements	Total duration of crediting period shall not exceed maximum crediting period allowed under relevant GS4GG activity requirements
TRF, PDD, Cover letter	May use CDM PDD	Must use Gold Standard template for PDD (page 14 onwards on TRF)

TRANSITION-A/R PROJECTS

- POAs/CPAs/Projects registered with other standard should apply the latest version of GS approved methodology at time of registration with Gold Standard.
- CDM A/R methodologies are not eligible for project registration with the Gold Standard.
- A/R projects are eligible for retroactive crediting for maximum three years (Reference 6.4.1 – Annex B, GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Product Requirements).
- A/R projects seeking Gold Standard – VERs for eligible soil carbon component can only submit the request of issuance for the monitoring period undergoing performance certification (see rule clarification here).