ZAMBIA AND SINGAPORE SIGN ARTICLE 6 IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT TO ADVANCE CARBON MARKET COOPERATION

Antalya, Türkiye- November 18 2026-Zambia and Singapore have signed an Implementation Agreement on cooperation under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, marking a significant milestone in strengthening bilateral climate cooperation and unlocking opportunities for carbon finance and sustainable development.

The agreement provides a framework for both countries to collaborate in developing high-integrity carbon market projects that support emission reductions, mobilise climate finance and advance their respective climate commitments.

Speaking during the signing ceremony, the Minister of Green Economy and Environment, Hon. Dr. Gilbert Siame, MP said the agreement reflects months of negotiations, building on the Memorandum of Understanding signed in November 2024 in Baku, and demonstrates the two countries' shared commitment to credible and transparent carbon market cooperation.

Zambia's cooperation with Singapore presents significant opportunities, particularly in the Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU) sector, which is central to the country's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0). Priority areas include sustainable forest management, community forestry, forest restoration, climate-smart agriculture, alternatives to charcoal and improved fire management.

With approximately 49.9 million hectares of forest cover, Zambia has considerable potential to generate high-integrity carbon credits while addressing deforestation, promoting green investment and improving livelihoods for communities.

The agreement builds on Zambia's growing portfolio of Article 6 partnerships with Sweden, Norway and Switzerland, reinforcing the country's position as an emerging destination for credible carbon market investments.

Zambia has also strengthened its institutional readiness through the recent launch of its National Carbon Registry, which will enhance carbon asset tracking, accounting, reporting and transparency.

Dr. Siame has reaffirmed government’s commitment to maintaining robust standards on carbon credit authorisation, corresponding adjustments, environmental integrity, permanence, safeguards and equitable benefit-sharing with local communities.

The signing marks the beginning of a new phase of cooperation, with both countries expected to identify priority sectors and projects for implementation.

The Government of Zambia remains committed to leveraging high-integrity carbon markets to mobilise climate finance, protect natural resources, accelerate green economic growth and deliver tangible benefits to its people.

The agreement was signed by Zambia's Minister of Green Economy and Environment, Hon Dr. Gilbert Siame, MP and Ms. Grace Fu, Singapore's Minister of Sustainability and the environment and Minister in-charge of Trade Relations.

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