

HFC Program

Proposal to Investor Partners

The Opportunity – Benefiting from a low hanging fruit of climate action

- HFC (hydrofluorocarbon) emission reductions can deliver substantial climate benefits
 - Carbon emissions from HFCs exceed all emissions by the UK and France combined and are growing at 10%-15% p.a.
- HFC emissions can be reduced very cost-effectively
 - Cost is roughly two orders of magnitude lower than the cost of cutting fossil fuel consumption
- The HFC Program targets emission reductions through results-based payments to governments
- Investors receive inexpensive and high quality carbon credits supporting their voluntary carbon targets
 - HFC carbon credits are differentiated by being generated by a global scheme, by the credibility of the link to the Montreal Protocol, and their very substantial, globally meaningful climate impact
 - For example invest \$10 million p.a. over 5 years and receive 50 million carbon credits (CO2e ton) to offset
 - >100% of Switzerland's entire annual greenhouse gas emission
 - ≈1,000% of Virgin Atlantic's carbon footprint
 - the lifetime carbon saving of ≈2,000MW solar PV installation compared with natural gas generation
- Target size of HFC Program is \$1 billion p.a. in ten years time
 - By 2050, climate impact is 10+ billion ton CO2e and capital mobilized is \$10+ billion
 - This means emission savings on the scale of an entire year's global carbon emissions



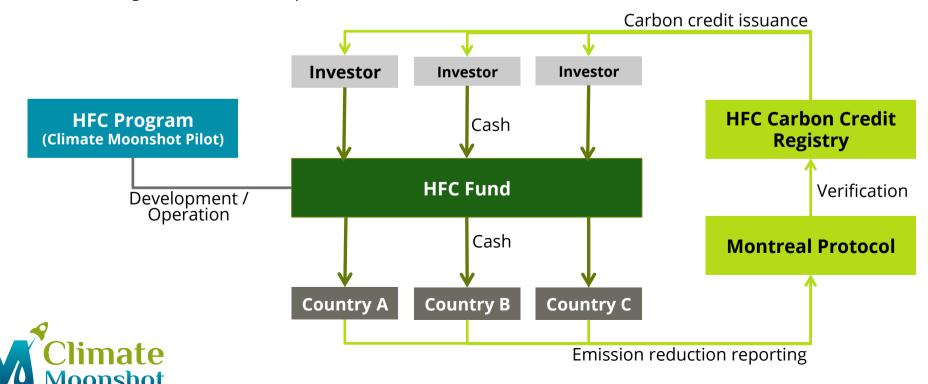
Background on HFCs and Kigali Amendment

- HFCs, industrial gases mainly used in cooling/heating and insulation, are important greenhouse gases
 - Annual HFC emission levels are around one billion ton CO2e or 2% of all GHG emissions.
 - HFCs are one of the fastest growing greenhouse gases with a growth rate of 10% 15% p.a.
 - HFCs have a very high global warming potential ranging from 50-14,800 CO2e
- The Kigali Amendment of the Montreal Protocol was agreed in October 2016
 - The Montreal Protocol is one of the most successful international environmental agreements and has a strong existing institutional capacity and track-record
 - Aim of the Kigali Amendment is to limit and reduce the emission of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)
- The Kigali Amendment imposes binding emission caps for HFCs
 - Reductions introduced gradually e.g. starting only from 2029 /2032 for developing countries
 - Faster emission cuts represents a great opportunity for climate change mitigation
- HFC emission reductions are a very cost-effective approach to limit global warming
 - HFC abatement costs are roughly two orders of magnitude lower than the cost of cutting fossil fuel consumption



Accelerating HFC cuts through results-based payments

- The HFC Program delivers emission cuts through results-based payments offered to governments
 - HFC Fund pays governments annually for every CO2et reduction achieved by their country beyond the requirements of the Kigali Amendment. E.g \$1/CO2et could provide a strong incentive
 - Governments deliver national emission reductions through their various policy tools (e.g. regulations, taxes, subsidies, R&D, procurement power)
 - HFC Fund finances annual payments through the contribution of voluntary financing partners
 - In return, financing partners receive internationally recognized carbon credits that help achieve their carbon targets at an attractive price



Comparison of REDD+ and the HFC Program

 Both REDD+ and the HFC Program rely on results-based payments and offer great potential climate benefits, however there are some differences between the two programs

	REDD+	HFC Program
Baseline reference level	 Difficulty of establishing reference levels 	 Reference levels established by Kigali Amendment
	 Balancing risk of too strict and too lax reference levels 	 Future baseline years for developing countries creates need for BAU reference levels
Measurement Reporting Verification	 Technical Assessment of national reporting does not verify emission reduction 	 Institutional capacity / track record of the Montreal Protocol, incl its Secretariat, Multilateral Fund and Implementation Committee can be leveraged
Leakage / Additionality	Possible leakage across bordersDifficulty of assess leakages	 Binding caps covering all countries avoid leakage across borders and ensure additionality
Safeguards	 Complexity of safeguarding sustainable development, human rights, rights of indigenous 	 Regulation of industrial gases and suitable HFC substitutes is relatively straightforward
Financing of incentives	 Targeting market and non-market funding sources 	 Private investor funding in exchange for credible carbon credits used for voluntary carbon targets
Prerequisites for implemen- tation	 Need for national capacity building and REDD+ agreements (eg with FCPF) before implementation 	 No additional international agreement or government action required for implementation



HFC Fund Investors – Proposal

Role

Investors finance the Fund and the results-based payments made to countries for actual emission cuts

Benefits / USP

- Investors receive low cost, high quality carbon credits to help achieve their voluntary carbon targets
- HFC carbon credits differentiated by i) being generated by a global scheme and not to individual projects, ii) the credibility offered through the link to the Montreal Protocol / UNEP, and iii) their substantial and globally meaningful climate impact and billions of tons CO2e reduction

Indicative Terms

- Investors to commit USD [•] million to purchase HFC carbon credits from the Fund over the five year period 2019-2023 (Phase 1)
- Price per carbon credit ("**Price**") to be capped at USD [•] / CO2e ton. Price to be determined by the Fund each year in order to optimize impact and to apply to all Investors undifferentiated
- Carbon credits and capital calls to be allocated among Investors pro-rata based on their total commitment. The share of defaulting Investors will be reallocated among other Investors
- Investors in Phase 1 to receive a right of first offer / right of first refusal for commitments raised for Phase 2 for an amount up to their respective commitment for Phase 1
- The HFC carbon credits will be created and tracked by the HFC Carbon Credit Registry
- Sub-ordinated Investors (e.g. Green Climate Fund or other international organizations /NGOs) might provide additional carbon credit price support or credit support for the Fund

Next steps

- Non-binding Letter of Intent indicating interest in the HFC Program and envisaged size of investment
- Letter of Intent secures partnership status of the HFC Program as well as option rights for participation



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