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CARBON  
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# VERRA (VCS)

Largest registry. 63% market share but declining due to ICVCM critiques.

**Scope:**

Broad, covers all major credits.

**Listing Time:**

6–12 months.

**Strengths:**

High liquidity.

**Weaknesses:**

40% of REDD+ credits lack ICVCM approval.



# **GOLD STANDARD (GS)**

**20% market share in 2024.**

**Scope:  
Cookstoves, renewables.**

**Listing Time:  
6–9 months.**

**Strengths:  
ICVCM CCP-approved.**

**Weaknesses:  
Complex SDG audits.**



# AMERICAN CARBON REGISTRY (ACR)

**Scope:**  
REDD+, renewables, methane.

**Listing Time:**  
3–6 months.

**Strengths:**  
ICE integration boosts liquidity.

**Weaknesses:**  
Validation bottlenecks persist.



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# CLIMATE ACTION RESERVE (CAR)

North America-focused, part of Berkeley Carbon Trading Project's "big four".

**Scope:**  
Forestry, methane.

**Listing Time:**  
4–8 months.

**Strengths:**  
California compliance eligibility.

**Weaknesses:**  
Weak monitoring report disclosures.



# PLAN VIVO

**Community-led projects.**

**Scope:  
Smallholder agroforestry.**

**Listing Time:  
12–18 months.**

**Strengths:  
Social equity focus.**

**Weaknesses:  
Slow scalability.**



# GLOBAL CARBON COUNCIL (GCC)

**MENA-focused. CAD Trust integration for Article 6.**

**Scope:  
Renewables.**

**Listing Time:  
3–4 months.**

**Strengths:  
Fast-tracked GCC 2.0.**

**Weaknesses:  
Regional bureaucracy.**



# BIOCARBON REGISTRY

**Scope:**  
**Reforestation.**

**Listing Time:**  
**2–3 months.**

**Strengths:**  
**Automated issuance.**

**Weaknesses:**  
**Geospatial data dependency.**



# CERCARBONO

**LATAM-focused under EcoRegistry.**

**Scope:  
Agriculture.**

**Listing Time:  
3–5 months.**

**Strengths:  
AML compliance.**

**Weaknesses:  
Limited global demand.**



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# PURO.EARTH

**Engineered removals leader.**

**Scope:  
Biochar, DACCS.**

**Listing Time:  
4–5 months.**

**Strengths:  
Most bankable registry for engineered carbon  
removal.**

**Weaknesses:  
Niche buyers.**



# CLIMATE IMPACT X (CIX)

Singapore exchange-registry hybrid.

Scope:  
Nature-based.

Listing Time:  
5–7 months.

Strengths:  
Asian compliance access.

Weaknesses:  
Low liquidity.



# ECOREGISTRY

Blockchain-native, partners with Asia Carbon Institute

Scope:  
Tech-based solutions.

Listing Time:  
2–4 months.

Strengths:  
Real-time tracking.

Weaknesses:  
Enables mass vintage credit retirements.



# INTERNATIONAL CARBON REGISTRY (ICR)

**Scope:**  
Biodiversity co-benefits.

**Listing Time:**  
4–6 months.

**Strengths:**  
End-to-end project tools.

**Weaknesses:**  
Low visibility.



# ARTHITECTURE FOR REDD+ TRANSACTIONS (ART)

**Scope:** Tropical forests.

**Listing Time:**  
8–12 months.

**Strengths:**  
Government partnerships.

**Weaknesses:**  
Bureaucratic delays.



# **ENERGY TRANSITION ACCELERATOR (ETA)**

**Scope:**  
Emerging economy renewables.

**Listing Time: Unknown.**

**Strengths:**  
World Bank backing.

**Weaknesses:**  
Untested methodologies.



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