# VOLUNTARY CARBON CREDIT REGISTRIES

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ESG SIMPLE

# 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.

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# PLAN VIVO

Community-led projects.

Scope: Smallholder agroforestry.

Listing Time: 12–18 months.

Strengths: Social equity focus.

Weaknesses: Slow scalability.

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# 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.

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# 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.

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# CLIMATE IMPACT X (CIX)

Singapore exchange-registry hybrid.

Scope: Nature-based.

Listing Time: 5–7 months.

Strengths: Asian compliance access.

Weaknesses: Low liquidity.

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# ECOREGISTRY

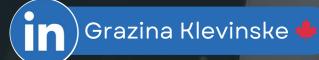
Blockchain-native, partners with Asia Carbon Institute

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.

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# ARTHITECTURE FOR REDD+ TRANSACTIONS (ART)

Scope: Tropical forests.

Listing Time: 8–12 months.

Strengths: Government partnerships.

Weaknesses: Bureaucratic delays.

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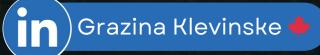
# ENERGY TRANSITION ACCELERATOR (ETA)

Scope: Emerging economy renewables.

Listing Time: Unknown.

Strengths: World Bank backing.

Weaknesses: Untested methodologies.



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