Gold Standard believes that climate + development go hand in hand.

We work to ensure that every dollar creates the greatest impact in climate security + sustainable development.

- Founded by WWF and other NGOs in 2003
- Swiss non-profit headquartered in Geneva
- Endorsed by broad NGO Supporter Network

- 350+ Project developers
- 1800+ Projects in over 90 countries
- 142M+ Tonnes of CO2e issued
- $22 Billion+ Dollars of shared value created
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES

- **Include local and affected stakeholders**
  - Stakeholder consultation
  - Influence design
  - Ongoing feedback mechanisms
  - Public scrutiny

- **Safeguarding**
  - Aligned with UNDP and IFC, currently reviewing against IUCN NBSS
  - Go beyond – gender and water sensitivity and activity specific

- **SDG Impacts**
  - Convert SDGs to be activity appropriate
  - Create SDG Impact reporting tools that automate and streamline

- **Good governance**
  - ISEAL Alliance membership
  - Governance oversight of standards setting and inclusivity
  - Grievance procedure
GS PROGRAMMES

New, automated tools for reporting SDG Impact launching end 2020

Thought leadership, community of practice and road-testing in Article 6 pilots since 2017
CARBON MARKETS POST-2020

Provisions common to all market use-cases:

- Additionality
- Methodology
- Sustainable Development provisions

Market use-cases define further provisions:

- Article 6 - ITMOs
- VCM – off setting
- Sectoral, e.g. CORSIA
- Domestic, e.g. SA, CCER
- Scope 2, 3 etc

Market-based finance
WORKED EXAMPLE

Household technology project

Market-based mechanism
  Additionality, methodology etc here

Non-market mechanism

Use in VCM

Use in CORSIA

Use as ITMO

Climate Finance

Require SD and safeguards

Country dialogues

For e.g. GCF provisions

Core SD provisions here

Use-case specific provisions here

Making good better.
GOLD STANDARD OBSERVATIONS AND ADVOCACY

Climate security + sustainable development for all

- Mark Carney Taskforce
- EDF and World Bank Forums, ICROA
- SBTi – Net Zero EWG and TAG
- GHGP – Removals AG
- Gold Standard Paris Transition F/Work
- CORSIA approval, SA Carbon Tax
- NDC Partnership
- Climate Finance/SnCF
- etc

- Markets will fragment
- Core provisions are common to all markets (i.e. to be a market-based mechanisms)
- Other provisions are use-case driven or buyer preference
- SD is a core provision (wasn’t always so!)
- SD improves the asset, is not just risk management or buyers choice
- Country ‘markets strategy’ approach needed
- What we apply and learn in A6 is applicable elsewhere and vice versa
COMING UP…

Climate security + sustainable development for all…

• Launch of SDG Impact Reporting tools – end 2020
• Road testing SDI Principles to A6 pilots – end 2020 and beyond
• Embed SD provisions in markets – Mark Carney taskforce, CORSIA, SA etc
• Further refinement and launch of safeguarding principles updates

Plus
• Markets move to the language of use case – core provisions and use-case specific
• Leads to common language of SD across markets
• Leads to/demands interoperability