

Decarbonization of Russian real economy

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Decarbonization is a priority for Russian business

RSPP is the largest business association in Russia, uniting thousands of the largest Russian companies - representatives of industrial, scientific, financial and commercial organizations in all regions of Russia.

- Climate issues have been in the focus of attention of RSPP and its members since this agenda was brought up.
- In 2020, RSPP set up a <u>Committee on Climate Policy and Carbon Regulation</u> to address relevant climate issues.





Many activities have been implemented since 1990 to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Average annual reduction of GHG emissions in Russia due to the implementation of sectoral measures (including LULUCF), 1990-2017, mn t CO2eq.



These measures made Russia an absolute world leader in reducing greenhouse gas emissions (48% reduction by 2018)



Structural features and the implementation of targeted measures allow Russian companies to be in an advantageous position relative to competitors from other countries



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Recent years saw attempts to neutralize the competitive advantages of Russian companies, incl. with the help of such artificial and non-transparent tools as proposed EU CBAM



Many activities are already planned for the period up to 2030 to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions



By 2030, the Russian Federation will remain one of the world leaders in reducing emissions relative to 1990 levels, even with growing production volumes



The development of the climate agenda brings both opportunities and risks for the real sector of the economy

Opportunities

- Participation in global trade of GHG emission reduction units (results of climate projects - under the mechanisms of Article 6 of the Paris Agreement)
- Gaining new market niches through competitive advantages associated with the low carbon intensity of Russian goods
- Development of energy efficient and digital technologies

 Reduced demand for certain carbonintensive products

Risks

- Possible expenses under European Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)
- Growth in tariffs for heat and electricity, other housing and communal services, transportation, etc. for all types of consumers in Russia in case of application of restrictive mechanisms of climate policy

The main mechanism for maximizing opportunities and managing risks is the implementation of climate projects (measures to reduce emissions and increase GHG absorption)



Potential for the implementation of climate projects in Russia can reach up to 900 million tons of CO2eq. per year



Projects should be implemented on a voluntary basis and in unconditional compliance with all international standards and methodologies.

- The potential depends on access to funding and the absence of artificial restrictions (the principle of "technological neutrality" - emission reductions, not the promotion of technologies, are important).
- Projects with emission reduction costs of less than €10 per ton of CO2-eq have the main potential in the Russian Federation.
- The most promising types of projects (forestry, methane utilization) can be implemented with costs less than €5 per ton of CO2eq.

Sources: KPMG analysis, PDD and annexes to PDD projects of CDM

EU carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM) – one of the most discussed business risks in the climate agenda



*The volume of cement exports to the EU is less than \$ 3 million, which is insignificant for analysis purposes.

Provisions to be met by carbon border adjustment:

- Unconditional compliance of CBAM with the norms of international law, including WTO, UNFCCC, and the Paris Agreement.
- Consideration of individual indicators at the level of individual producers when calculating the amount of payment.
- Taking account of the results of voluntary climate projects when assessing the carbon intensity of products.
- Recognition of estimates of emissions and removals of greenhouse gases according to national methodologies, taking into account the peculiarities of countries and their conditions.
- Ensuring equality and non-discrimination as the basic foundations for CBAM development, including taking into account the fullness of support measures for European producers and the real effective rate of carbon payment in the EU.

Only a fair and reasonable approach to the introduction of CBAM will ensure avoiding trade disputes and retaliatory trade restrictions



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