



Carbon Trading Articles

EU ETS and Carbon Trading

Beginner:

<https://www.homaio.com/post/can-anyone-buy-carbon-allowances-from-the-eu-ets> - How the EU ETS works, how carbon allowances function as tradable financial instruments to reduce emissions.

<https://icapcarbonaction.com/en/ets/eu-emissions-trading-system-eu-ets> - Key facts about the EU ETS, including its scope across 30 countries, sectoral coverage, cap details, pricing, revenues, allocation methods, and recent expansions.

<https://www.cleanenergywire.org/factsheets/understanding-european-unions-emissions-trading-system> - How the EU ETS prices carbon to drive emissions reductions in power and industry, recent reforms under the "Fit for 55" package and how the system is evolving to meet the EU's 2030 and 2050 climate goals.

https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/eu-emissions-trading-system-eu-ets/about-eu-ets_en - Summary of the EU ETS as a key climate policy tool that caps emissions from major sectors, enforces carbon pricing, generates revenue for green investments, and evolves through legislative reforms

Intermediate:

<https://www.epa.ie/our-services/licensing/climate-change/eu-emissions-trading-system/> - EU ETS as a cap and trade mechanism, incentivizing companies to reduce greenhouse gases by making it economically advantageous to invest in cleaner technologies.

<https://www.tradebe.com/understanding-environmental-commodities/> - How environmental commodities enable companies to meet sustainability goals and comply with regulations through market-based mechanisms.

<https://climatepolicyinfohub.eu/eu-emissions-trading-system-introduction.html> - Introduction to the EU ETS, tracing its history, highlighting its core cap-and-trade mechanism, and showing how it evolved to address overallocation, low carbon prices, and market imbalances to more effectively drive down emissions across energy and industry sectors.

https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/eu-emissions-trading-system-eu-ets_en - Overview of the EU ETS, outlining its scope, mechanisms like auctioning and free allocation, its expansion via ETS2 to new sectors, and supporting tools like the Market Stability Reserve and Social Climate Fund.

<https://carbonfundamentalservices.com/>



VCM

<https://www.spglobal.com/commodity-insights/en/news-research/blog/energy-transition/061021-voluntary-carbon-markets-pricing-participants-trading-corsia-credits> - Comprehensive overview of the VCM, explaining how it operates, the roles of key market players, and how credit prices vary based on project type, co-benefits, and certification.

<https://carboncredits.com/what-is-the-voluntary-carbon-market/> - Explains the VCM, contrasting it with regulated compliance markets, and highlighting its flexibility, project diversity, pricing complexity, and growing role in meeting global climate goals.

<https://carbonmarketwatch.org/voluntary-carbon-market/> - Critiques the VCM as fragmented, largely unregulated, and often ineffective in delivering real climate benefits - calling for urgent reforms to ensure carbon credits are high-quality, rights-respecting, and support deep emissions reductions rather than serving as tools for corporate greenwashing

EU CBAM

Beginner:

<https://normative.io/insight/eu-cbam-explained/> - Actionable overview of the EU CBAM, detailing its timeline, reporting requirements, sectoral scope, and penalties and provides a step-by-step compliance plan for EU importers and guidance for non-EU suppliers on emissions data preparation and long-term strategic adaptation.

<https://www.eurelectric.org/in-detail/what-is-the-carbon-border-adjustment-mechanism/> - Explains the EU CBAM, how it works, who are the actors, the costs and where the revenues will go.

<https://www.deloitte.com/nl/en/services/tax/perspectives/eu-carbon-border-adjustment-mechanism-cbam.html> - Practical overview of the EU CBAM, explaining its phased implementation starting in October 2023, key reporting obligations for importers, and the steps businesses must take to prepare for full compliance by 2026.

https://www.ey.com/en_gr/technical/tax/tax-alerts/eu-carbon-border-adjustment-mechanism-cbam-provisional-agreement - Summarizes the provisional agreement on the EU CBAM, emphasizing its phased rollout and urges businesses to assess their supply chains, emissions data, and financial exposure to comply with the regulation and maintain competitiveness in the EU market.

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<https://www.oecd.org/en/blogs/2025/03/eu-carbon-border-adjustment-mechanism-what-is-it-how-does-it-work-and-what-are-the-effects.html> - Analyzes the EU CBAM, showing that while it slightly improves global emissions outcomes and competitiveness of EU producers, it poses implementation challenges, mixed impacts on trade partners, and limited additional benefits from major scope expansion.

<https://www.pwc.com/gx/en/services/tax/esg-tax/cbam-supply-chain-imperatives.html> - Operational and strategic implications of the EU CBAM, emphasizing the need for emissions data reporting, supply chain transparency, and future cost exposure.

<https://nueborder.com/blog/eu-cbam-hedging-strategies> - How companies can respond to the EU CBAM through financial hedging with EUA derivatives and operational shifts like cleaner technologies, low-carbon sourcing, and supply chain redesign.