



Australian Government



# Carbon Farming Initiative

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# A Clean Energy Future: the four steps



1. Introduce a carbon price: ease the transition
2. Promote innovation and investment in renewable energy
3. Encourage energy efficiency
4. Create opportunities in the land sector to cut pollution.

# The Carbon Farming Initiative

- Landholders can receive carbon credits for:
  - Reducing emissions from agriculture and land use.
  - Increasing the carbon stored in soils and vegetation.
  - Reducing legacy waste emissions
- People and businesses can buy CFI credits to offset their emissions.



# Carbon farming opportunities

## SEQUESTRATION

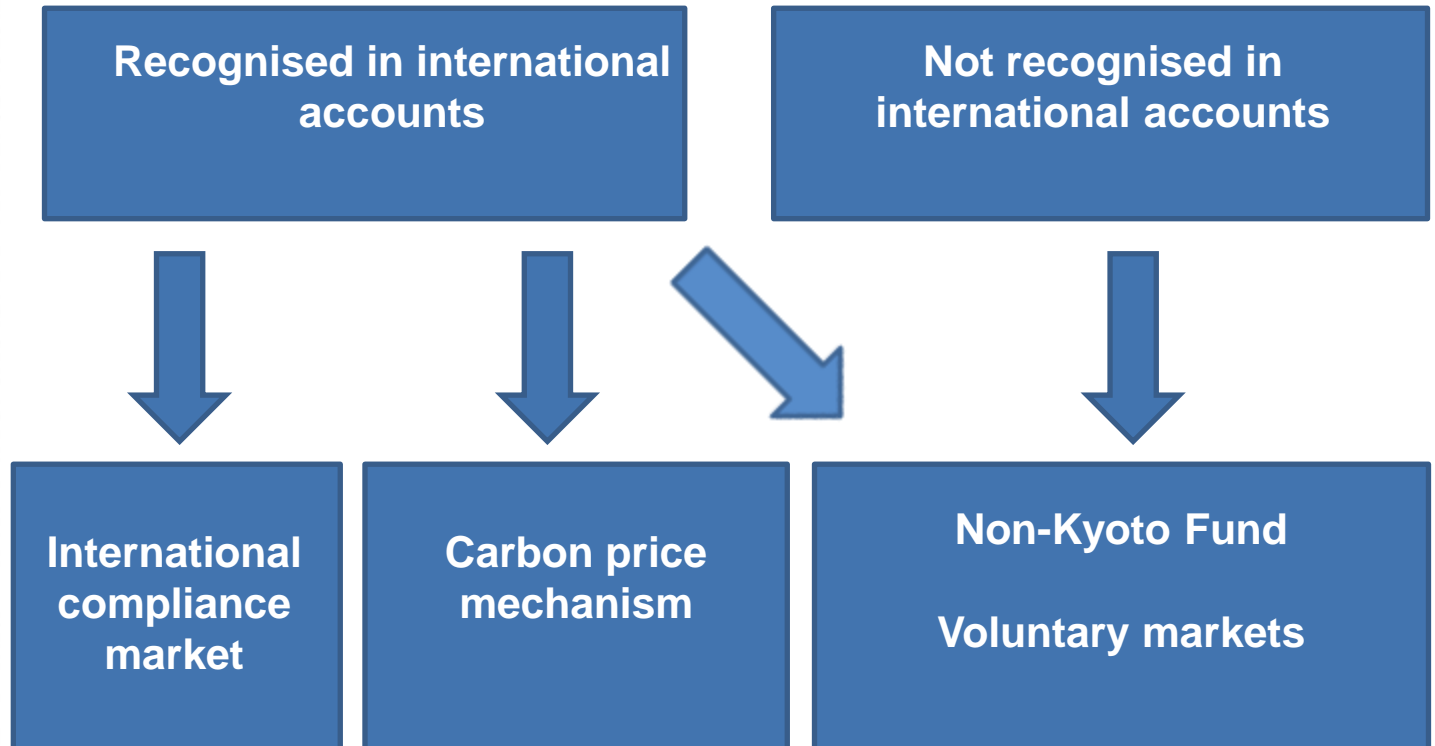
- Reforestation
- Revegetation
- Rangeland restoration
- Soil carbon
- Native forest protection

## EMISSIONS REDUCTION

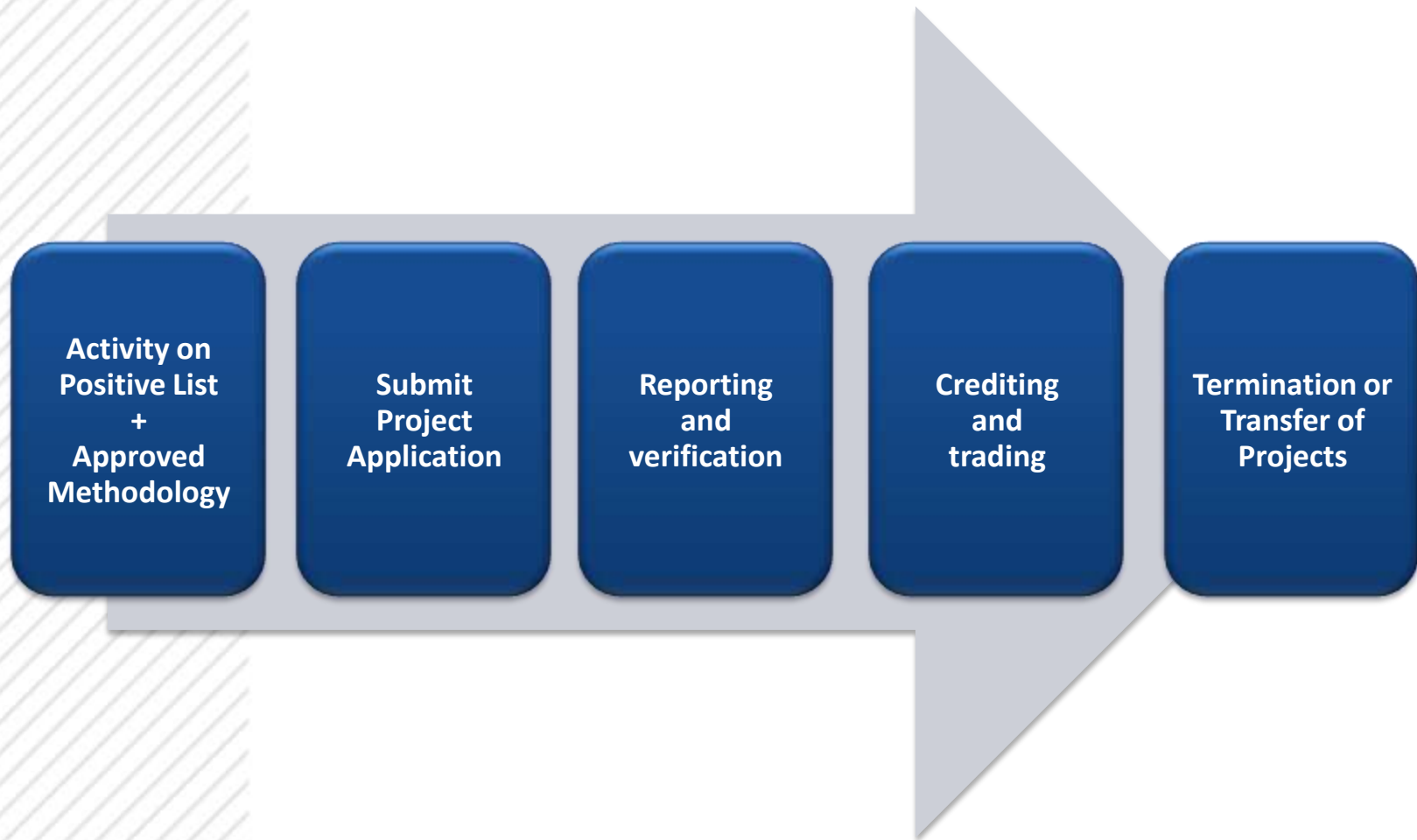
- Fertiliser management
- Manure management
- Reduced livestock emissions
- Feral camel culling
- Landfill gas flaring
- Savanna fire management



# Markets for different credits



# Scheme mechanics – key processes



# Integrity Principles

- Measurable
- Conservative
- Based on peer-reviewed science
- Internationally consistent
- Avoidance of leakage
- Permanent
- Additional

# Methodologies

- Activity description and explanation
- Sources and sinks affected by a project
- Instructions for identifying a baseline
- Procedures for measuring or estimating abatement relative to the baseline;
- Project-specific data collection, monitoring, reporting and record keeping requirements



# Additional Plus

## Additional

- Not mandatory
- Positive List

## Avoiding impacts

- Not on the Negative List
- Regulatory approvals
- Regional NRM plans

## Co-benefits

- Extra benefits for biodiversity or Indigenous communities.

# Permanence obligations

- Maintain carbon or hand back credits
  - Biosequestration only
- Re-establish carbon after a fire or drought
- Risk of reversal buffer
  - temporary losses
  - wrong doing that can't be remedied.
- Carbon maintenance obligation





# Land Sector Carbon and Biodiversity Advisory Board

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- Questions?

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