

## RULE CLARIFICATION

# CREDITING PERIOD OF POAS FOLLOWING GS4GG TRANSITION

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### RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [Transition Requirements](#)
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## BACKGROUND

This rule clarification is applicable to Gold Standard PoAs that transition to Gold Standard for the Global Goals from earlier versions of the Standard following [Transition Requirements, which](#) state that *Transition projects (PoAs) shall maintain their existing cycle and maximum crediting periods upon transition to GS4GG. For PoAs any VPA submitted within the first crediting period (i.e. 7 years) of the PoA shall be allowed to use the same 7 year, twice renewal model. All VPAs/CPAs submitted after the first crediting period of PoA shall apply the GS4GG Certification Cycle (i.e. 5 year renewals).*

## Rule Clarification

Transitioning PoAs are allowed to retain their 7 year crediting period at the time of transition to GS4GG, however, subsequent PoA crediting period renewals shall follow GS4GG certification cycle i.e., 5 year cycle. The maximum total duration of the Transitioning PoA shall be 28 years as envisaged at time of registration under an earlier version of Gold Standard.