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Much of the attention of the CDM has been on the development of new countries, where there are many more variables to consider. Developing countries are typically more vulnerable to climate change, as they have less capacity to adapt, and the impacts of climate change are often more severe in these countries. This study focuses on how adding new countries to the CDM can help meet these challenges.

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While the additionality principle is one of the core principles of the CDM, the CDM project was not always carried through as planned. For example, to implement a project to develop renewable energy in a small country, it may be necessary to also consider the local and national policy and implementation levels.

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