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Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Project

Twenty-first session
Geneva, 21 April 2010

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION *

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
opening on Wednesday 21 April 2010, at 10 a.m.

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Global Energy Efficiency 21 (GEE21).
3. Financing Energy Efficiency Investments for Climate Change Mitigation (FEEI).

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4. Development of the renewable energy sector in the Russian Federation and in countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS): prospects for interregional cooperation.
5. Increasing energy efficiency for secure energy supplies.
6. The Regional Network for Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources in South-Eastern Europe (RENEUER).
7. Energy efficiency market formation in South-Eastern Europe.
8. Removing barriers to energy efficiency improvements in the state sector in Belarus.
9. Buy Smart – green procurement for smart purchasing.
10. Energy efficiency in housing: The Action Plan for Energy Efficient Housing in the UNECE Region.
11. Wood energy: Modern and sustainable heat and power from woody biomass in South-Eastern Europe.
12. Cooperative Project on Methane Capture and Use: Best Practice Guidance on Effective Methane Drainage and Use in Coal Mines.
13. Election of officers.
14. Other business.
15. Conclusions and recommendations.
16. Dates of the next meeting.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda

1. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item of the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Item 2: Global Energy Efficiency 21 (GEE21)

2. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation. In particular, the secretariat will report on the outcome of the First session of the Group of Experts on GEE21 on 20 April 2010.

Item 3: Financing Energy Efficiency Investments for Climate Change Mitigation

3. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation. The outcomes of the 14th and 15th sessions of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Energy Efficiency Investments for Climate Change Mitigation (7-9 October 2009 and 19 April 2010 respectively) will be presented. The secretariat will report on the results of the Regional Analysis of Policy Reforms to Promote Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Investments, as well as on the progress in implementation of the contracts for Investment Fund Designer and

for Development of a Website and Internet Communications Network of Energy Efficiency Managers in Eastern Europe.

Item 4: Development of the renewable energy sector in the Russian Federation and in countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States: prospects for interregional cooperation

4. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation. In particular, the secretariat will present the results of the preparation of National Reports on the potential for renewable energy resources.

Item 5: Increasing energy efficiency for secure energy supplies

5. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments of the project.

Item 6: The Regional Network for Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources in South-Eastern Europe (RENEUER)

6. Vice-Chair Mr. Zdravko Genchev (Bulgaria) will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation.

Item 7: Energy efficiency market formation in South-Eastern Europe

7. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments of the project.

Item 8: Removing barriers to energy efficiency improvements in the state sector in Belarus

8. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation.

Item 9: Buy Smart – green procurement for smart purchasing

9. Vice-Chair Ms. Milena Presutto (Italy) will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation.

Item 10: Energy efficiency in housing: The Action Plan for Energy Efficient Housing in the UNECE Region

10. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the project implementation. A representative of the Environment, Housing and Land Management Division will report on the outcome of the International Forum on Energy Efficiency in Housing held in Vienna from 23-25 November 2009 and the status of the preparation of the Action Plan.

Item 11: Wood energy: Modern and sustainable heat and power from woody biomass in South-Eastern Europe

11. A representative of the UNECE/FAO Timber Section will report on the current status of development of the project proposal.

Item 12: Cooperative Project on Methane Capture and Use: Best Practice Guidance on Effective Methane Drainage and Use in Coal Mines

12. The secretariat will make a presentation on the current status and recent developments in implementation of the project. The secretariat will propose to include this project in the Project Plan 2009-2012 for the Energy Efficiency 21 Project (ECE/ENERGY/2009/8).

Item 13: Election of officers

13. At its twentieth session in June 2009, the Steering Committee elected the Bureau as follows: Mr. Sergey Koblov (Russian Federation), Chair; Mr. Zdravko Genchev (Bulgaria), Mr. Thierry Méraud (France), Ms. Milena Presutto (Italy), and Mr. Trond Dahlsveen (Norway), Vice-Chairs. The Steering Committee may wish to reconfirm the current Bureau at this session.

Item 14: Other business

14. At the time the provisional agenda was prepared, there were no issues to be raised under this item.

Item 15: Conclusions and recommendations

15. The Chairman of the Steering Committee and the secretariat will summarize the conclusions and recommendations of the session. The report of the meeting will be circulated after the meeting.

Item 16: Dates of the next meeting

16. The dates of the twenty-second session of the Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Project, which will take place in Geneva in 2011, will be announced at the end of the twenty-first session.
