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Renewable Energy for Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development (ISID)

Consultative Expert Group Meeting

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I. INTRODUCTION

A. Background: Renewable Energy for Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development

UNIDO’s global vision on “Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development (ISID)” aims to promote sustainable and resilient economic and industrial growth for poverty reduction that goes hand in hand with economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.

Industry plays a decisive role in stimulating economic growth. Global experiences have shown that countries with high levels of socio-economic development have reached this stage by having a developed and advanced industrial sector. However, industrial sector growth is conventionally linked with excessive environmental pressures such as resource depletion, air pollution at the local / regional level and negative impacts in terms of global climate change. In order to minimise environmental damage, while meeting the global objectives of eradicating poverty and reducing income disparity, industrial development must become sustainable and inclusive. Thus, UNIDO aims to achieve inclusive sustainable industrial development which means:

- Every country achieves a higher level of industrialization in their economies, and benefits from the globalization of markets for industrial goods and services.
- No one is left behind in benefiting from industrial growth, and prosperity is shared among women and men in all countries.
- Broader economic and social growth is supported within an environmentally sustainable framework.
- The unique knowledge and resources of all relevant development actors are combined to maximize the development impact of ISID.

UNIDO, in delivering its mandate in the context of ISID, has developed and implemented responses by sector and region in developing and transitional countries. The focus is mainly on small- and medium-sized enterprises to improve their competitiveness and market access, by simple and practical approaches to improve productivity and meet environmental requirements. UNIDO has long recognised that renewable energy technologies have to be promoted at a local level, and pays attention to their use in industrial applications for the benefit of people and enterprises. In order to secure the achievement of the ISID vision, UNIDO focuses on the following aspects of renewable energy:

- Mainstreaming the use of renewable energy in industrial applications, in particular for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), thereby also increasing their competitiveness and reducing their dependence on fossil fuels.
- Creating business development opportunities aimed at increasing access to energy and boosting the use of renewable energy mini-grids.
- Strengthening of the impact of rural electrification on poverty reduction and sustainable development.
- Providing policy advisory services to create an enabling policy and institutional environment for coordination, coherence, integration and knowledge management within concrete renewable energy projects at local and regional level.
Renewable energy technologies provide different benefits which greatly contribute to achieving inclusive and sustainable industrial development. Their roles related industries can be separated into four pillars:

1. Growing renewable energy industry (from renewable energy components manufacturing to energy production industry) in itself;
2. Increasing local productive activities through providing sustainable energy access;
3. Promoting renewable energy for industrial applications;
4. Producing and consuming (prosuming) renewable energy in industries simultaneously.

An increased use of renewable energy sources and other low-emission technologies are critical parts of the puzzle to achieve sustainable development and the Millennium Development Goals. International trade, as an engine for development, reaffirms the need for a universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system. It stands to reason therefore, that energy and trade are the two essential pillars of sustainable development and low-carbon growth that should be addressed in nexus, to target synergies and avoid potential pitfalls. An integrated approach towards addressing sustainable energy will serve to inform more effective national policies, regulations and standards.

Within the context of renewable energy for ISID, this EGM will focus on two topics of high relevance in UNIDO’s renewable energy programme, i.e. Greening of Small-Hydropower Plants, and Renewable Energy Quality Infrastructure.

B. Opportunities

B1. Upgrading of Renewable Energy technologies – focus on Small-Hydropower Plants

UNIDO through its Rural and Renewable Energy Programme (RRE) has been active in the promotion of small hydropower (SHP) for fostering inclusive sustainable development and industrialization. UNIDO’s goal for the development of SHP is to provide energy access for productive uses and industrial applications. The use of SHP can contribute to poverty alleviation through sustainable socio-economic development, increase local employment opportunities and increase security of power supply.

UNIDO REE has developed SHP projects in India, Zambia, Indonesia, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, and Tanzania among others. Furthermore, UNIDO has established specialized SHP centers in China, Nigeria and India to facilitate capacity building, knowledge exchange and South-South cooperation in promoting SHP. Furthermore, UNIDO, in collaboration with ICSHP, has published the World Small Hydropower Development Report and knowledge platform www.smallhydroworld.org, the first global assessment of SHP installed and potential SHP capacity and policy overview.

In Europe and the United States, foremost in countries with a high SHP share, environmental standards and regulations which have to be met by existing and new SHP stations have become fiercer in the past years. Countries such as Austria, Norway, Switzerland and the U.S.A. have been leading in the field of green hydropower initiatives which focus on environment-friendly operation or construction of hydropower stations. The most common examples of support schemes for green hydropower are investment grants for retrofitting activities (procurement,
construction, feasibility and design stage), higher electricity tariffs, quota systems, preferential access to the grid, or (voluntary) certification schemes.

B2. The role of quality infrastructure for RE market development

Standards in industrial renewable energy and energy efficiency are instrumental in achieving national and international energy and trade objectives as they represent policy-driven market-based tools that are voluntary in nature, that increase competitiveness for industry and facilitate international trade and fair market access. However, policy makers and private sector in developing countries are facing numerous challenges in implementing such standards, including effective conformity assessment services as well as technical know-how on how to adopt them.

While national and sectorial initiatives are being developed, UNIDO can promote the harmonization of international standards and stimulate their adoption, as it has successfully done with ISO 50001 Energy Management System standard. Furthermore, UNIDO may assist stakeholder groups in developing their capacities for implementing sustainable energy targets, including policies, standards and regulations.

UNIDO is currently implementing more than 60 renewable energy projects in around 50 countries worldwide (see section 8 for more details), focusing on a wide range of new and established renewable energy technologies.

With quality infrastructure emerging as an area where tailored support is required, UNIDO aims to develop a consistent approach and a strategy on standards and conformity assessment for selected renewable energy technologies, to facilitate their uptake by developing countries and emerging economies.

C. Objective of the workshop

Upgrading of Renewable Energy technologies – focus on Small-Hydropower Plants

The main objective of the EGM is to discuss the possible and most appropriate scenarios for SHP development, refurbishment and greening in developing countries and emerging economies. In particular, the workshop will aim to:

- Discuss examples and best practice of SHP standards and certification schemes
- Options for support for environmentally friendly SHP development and refurbishment
- UNIDO’s role in green SHP development and refurbishment
- Case study on China (GEF Proposal with ICSHP)
- Guiding questions for these working groups could be:
  - What are appropriate ways to implement/enforce sustainability of SHP (EU Directives / voluntary standards / certification schemes / etc...)?
  - Is there or is there not a need for a new standard for (environmental) sustainability of SHP in developing countries/economies in transition?
  - What could/should be a role for UNIDO (e.g. standard development or rather advocate and support for standard adoption in target countries)?
  - How to finance sustainable SHPs?
Renewable Energy Quality Infrastructure

On quality infrastructure the objective of the EGM is to identify the key avenues through which international/regional and national standards and conformity assessment infrastructure can assist the robust and widespread uptake of renewable energy technologies while creating confidence in the market. In particular, the workshop will aim to:

- Develop a common understanding of the standards and conformity assessment capacities needed across the RE value chain-components, assembly, installation and maintenance
- Discuss the elements considered to be essential to the successful adoption of renewable energy technologies for productive uses by developing country SMEs and the role of standards/conformity assessment
- Validation of a proposed methodology to assess the quality infrastructure for small-scale renewable energy technologies in developing countries and emerging economies; this methodology aims to define common appropriate capacity requirements at the level of National Quality Infrastructure (NQI) for different types of developing countries and their current/prospective RE uptake scenario (e.g. pure importer, significant user, specific RE promotion policy, manufacturer)

The EGM will be structured in sessions that will take the form of both formal presentations followed by Q&A, as well as interactive roundtable & working group discussions.

**Day 1** will introduce the main topics of the EGM through presentations:

After an introductory session, the panel sessions will be as follows.

- Session 1 will present UNIDO’s work in SHP development and certification schemes for sustainable hydropower
- Session 2 will introduce UNIDO experience in RE projects and Capacity Building identification methodology to be validated and present the NQI and RE technologies

The parallel working group sessions on SHP and REQI will be:

- **WG 01 – SHP**
  - Sustainability criteria and support schemes for SHP – experiences from Austria
  - Case Study from China
- **WG 02 – REQI** – will highlight the developing country and SME perspectives and identify their differentiated needs
  - Methodology Validation of key situational components
  - Validation for recommendations per market stage

**Day 2** will focus on identifying and discussing issues related to conformity assessment, standards and tools. This will be the core part of the EGM and is designed to enable and stimulate the effective interaction of all participants. Thematic working groups will be established to debate a specific topic and subsequently report
the results of the discussion to the plenary. For each working group a Topic Leader will be identified and a Facilitator assigned. The following structure for working groups is suggested:

- **WG 01**: Supporting sustainable SHP development in developing countries, the way forward in China
  - Policy options
  - Market-based approaches
  - Proposal of potential action plan

- **WG 02: A)** Conformity assessment needs assessment methodology
  - Method on Solar PV - missing elements, usefulness
  - How can the method be applied to other technologies - eg. Biofuels?
  - Are there other CA elements to be considered: personnel certification?
  - Proposal of potential action plan

- **WG 02: B)** Developing countries and SMEs - can international standards and testing requirements improve RE technologies to become more robust or are they a hindrance to local market development?
  - Discussion about use of international standards in local markets: for import control, for manufacturing for local markets, for exports. Use of the case of solar water heaters or solar pv?
  - RE project implementation in developing countries – how can standards assist further investment (CDM experiences?)
  - Are there other relevant standards to ensure robustness and marketability that do not exist? What are key gaps?
  - Policy issues
  - Proposal of potential action plan

At the final plenary section, a presentation from each working group will be made followed by final discussion.

The agenda of the EGM can be found in Annex I.

The EGM is expected to deliver the following outputs:

- Policies that may be adopted to support NQI development for RE uptake
- Well-defined capacity requirements for an effective RE implementation
- A framework methodology to assess market stage of REQI at national level
- A draft approach to support sustainable SHP in China
- Tools
- Capacity Building
- Exchange experience from different countries
- Networking
- South-South cooperation
II. ORGANIZATION

A. Date and venue

The workshop will be held Vienna Austria, from 20-21 November 2014 at the Vienna
International Centre located at:
Wagramer Strasse 5, 1400 Vienna, Austria

Website:

B. Participants

The workshop will host about 40 participants, including:

• Energy experts from both developed and developing countries
• Representative of conformity assessment body schemes
• Representative of government from both developed and developing countries
• Selected representatives from the private sector and industry associations

C. Attendance and confirmation of participation

Each participant invited will be requested to confirm its participation by e-mail to the
UNIDO contact person (see below). The full name, affiliation, title and contact
address, email and phone number of each participant should be clearly indicated in
confirmation message.

D. Working language

The deliberations during the workshop will be conducted in English.
III. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND ACCOMMODATION

A. Participants

Participation to the workshop is on invitation only. Participants are expected to cover costs arising from their participation to this meeting.

B. Exclusion of liability

UNIDO will not assume responsibility for any other expenditure; including but not limited to:

(a) Costs incurred by the participants with respect to travel insurance, accident insurance, medical bills and hospitalization fees in connection with their attendance of the Meeting.
(b) Compensation in the event of death, disability or illness of the participation in connection with their attendance of the meeting.
(c) Incidental costs incurred in connection with travel abroad, e.g. passport, visas, vaccinations, stopovers, travel to and from the airport.
(d) Loss or damage of personal property of the participants while attending the meeting.
(e) Travel and any other costs incurred by dependents, who may accompany the participants.
(f) Purchase of personal belongings and compensations in the event of damage caused by climatic or other conditions.
(g) Compensation for salaries and any related allowance/social benefits during period of the event and associated travel times.
(h) Other unforeseen expenditures.

C. Visa and passport requirements

Before leaving their home countries, international participants should complete all formalities regarding entry and transit visas or travel permits that may be required for travel to Austria and the return journey to their home countries or duty stations. UNIDO does not take any responsibility for obtaining and/or providing visa.

D. Logistic arrangements

UNIDO will make logistic arrangements including provision of meeting rooms for successful organization of the workshop.

E. Time of arrival and departure

The workshops will be held on 20 and 21 November 2014. The participants are expected to arrive on 19 November and plan to leave on 21 November in the evening or as per their flight plans. The workshop will end on 21 November at 1:00 pm.

F. Location

Vienna is the capital of Austria. Vienna is a city with a very high quality of life, a feature that is highly appreciated by the many visitors who come to the Austrian capital.
Airport:

International and Domestic Airport: Schwechat Flughafen: used for all international and domestic flights is the main doorway to the city. Located 20 km away from the city centre.

The airport may be reached quickly by train: City Airport Train or suburban railway (S-Bahn) or bus. It is also served by motorway to facilitate arrival from/ departure to further destinations by car.

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HOTEL DETAILS

These hotels in Vienna offer special UN and UNIDO rates (subject to direct reservation with the hotel):

Unless otherwise noted, rates are per room, per night, including breakfast, service, and taxes

Hotel Park Inn & Suites by Carlson **** A few minutes walking distance from the VIC; Address: Wagramer Strasse 16, 1220 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 260 400, Fax +43 (1) 260 40-699; email reservation.vienna@rezidorparkinn.com

Single room: EUR 97 and double room: EUR 112 (per room, per night, incl. breakfast, garage, service and taxes)

Hotel NH Danube City **** few minutes walking distance from the VIC; Address: Wagramer Strasse 21, 1220 Vienna,

Tel. +43 (1) 260 20 8266 (Ms. Berger), Fax +43 (1) 260 20/8108; E-mail : nhdanubecity@nh-hotels.com

Single or double room: EUR 99 including breakfast (per room, per night, incl. services and taxes; not applicable during congress, exhibition and festival periods)

Hotel Donauzentrum **** in the Shopping Centre nearby, with the underground two stops only from the VIC; Address: Wagramer Strasse 83-85, 1220 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 203 55 45-113, Fax +43 (1) 203 55 45-183; email reservierung.donauzentrum@austria-trend.at

Single room: EUR 96, Double room: EUR 124

Grand Hotel Wien ***** At underground U1, few stops from the VIC; Address: Kärntner Ring 9, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 515 80-9900, Fax +43 (1) 515 13 13, reservation@grandhotelwien.com

Single and double room rate: EUR 200, breakfast EUR 31 (per room, per night, including service and taxes)

Hotel Imperial ***** At underground U1; Address: Kärntner Ring 16, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 501 23-368, Fax +43 (1) 501 23-345, email andrea.schich@luxurycollection.com

Single or double room: EUR 410 including breakfast (per room, per night including service and taxes)
Ambassador ***** Near underground U1, few stops from the VIC; Address: Kärntner Strasse 22, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 961 61 00, Fax +43 (1) 513 29 99; email reservations@ambassador.at
Single room: EUR 240 to 271 (depending on time), double room: EUR 304 to 343; (per room, per night including service and taxes); Breakfast: EUR 20 per person

Hotel Bristol ***** Near underground U1; Address: Kärntner Ring 1, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 501 23-368, Fax +43 (1) 501 23 345; e-mail: andrea.schich@luxurycollection.com
Single or double room: EUR 197, breakfast: EUR 35 (per room, night including service and taxes)

Hilton Vienna Danube ***** with the underground few stops and free shuttle service to the VIC every morning; Address: Handelskai 269, 1020 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 727 77-70000, Fax +43 (1) 727 77-71000; email reservations.vienna@hilton.com
Single or double room: EUR 106, breakfast EUR 24 (per room, per night, incl. service and taxes)

Hilton Vienna ***** Underground U4, Stadtpark, change to U1, few stops from the VIC; Address: Am Stadtpark 3, 1030 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 717 00 10000, Fax +43 (1) 717 00 11000, email reservations.vienna@hilton.com
Single or double room: EUR 149, breakfast EUR 27 (per room, per night, incl. service and taxes)

Hilton Vienna Plaza ***** few minutes walk to the centre and underground U1; Address: Schottenring 11, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 31 390 20000, Fax +43 (1) 31 390 21000; email reservations.vienna@hilton.com
Single or double room: EUR 158, breakfast buffet EUR 27 (per room, per night, incl. service and taxes)

Best Western Hotel Opernring **** Next to the Opera House, underground stop nearby; Address: Opernring 11, 1010 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 587 55 18, Fax: +43 (1) 587 55 18 29; email reservation@opernring.at
Single room: EUR 135, double room: EUR 155

**Hotel Lasalle**** with the underground a few stops away from the VIC; Address: Engerthstrasse 173-175, 1020 Vienna

Tel. +43 (1) 213 15-151, Fax +43 (1) 213 15-100; email reservierung.lassalle@austria-trend.at

Single room: EUR 96, Double room: EUR 124

**ARCOTEL Kaiserwasser**** Opposite Vienna International Centre; Address: Wagramerstrasse 8, 1220 Vienna

Tel. (43-1)52165 813, Fax +43 (1) 52165 810; email reservation.kaiserwasser@arcotel.at

Single and double room: EUR 119 excluding breakfast (EUR 15) (per room, per night including service and taxes

TRANSPORT FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE HOTEL

Suggested means of travel: Vienna Airport – Hotel/UNIDO:

**A. BUS CONNECTIONS:**

Schedule: The Vienna Airport Lines operate every hour 7 days a week from 06:10 to 19:10 to the Airport and from 07:10 to 20:10 from the Airport. The drive takes approximately 30 minutes.

The fare is € 8,-

For further information call Vienna Airport Lines on Tel. 05 1717 or (01)700 732 300 (available 24 hours a day) or have a look at the information screen in the rotunda (C0E).

The airport bus stop is located in the Bus Terminal Platform 9.

The Kaiserwihlen VIC bus stop nearby both hotel and UNIDO is located on Wagramer Strasse in front of Check Point 1.

Schedule available at: [http://www.oebb.at/busplan2013/118300.pdf](http://www.oebb.at/busplan2013/118300.pdf)

**B. DRIVER SERVICE (door to door):**

For a fixed price of € 34, a taxi will pick you up from hotel or drive you from the airport to your hotel. These taxis need to be reserved in advance (preferably a few days in advance to ensure that they are not booked out) under Airport Driver Service: [http://www.airportdriver.at/index.php/en/](http://www.airportdriver.at/index.php/en/)
C. OTHER MEANS:

To plan your travel by train, metro or bus please check: http://www.oebb.at/en/index.jsp Additional information is provided below.

HOW TO REACH THE VIC

The VIC accommodates the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the United Nation Office at Vienna (UNOV), the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO PrepCom), the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (ODCCP), and other smaller United Nations entities. The VIC is comprised of several buildings, labelled A to G. Buildings A and B house the IAEA. Building C is the main conference building. Buildings D and E house UNOV, UNIDO, CTBTO and other UN entities. Buildings F and G house various support services such as the computer centre, the print shop, the medical centre, the library, etc.

The address of the VIC is:
Wagramer Strasse 5
A-1400 Vienna

A. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

The VIC can be reached with the underground (U-Bahn) by taking the red line (U1) towards Kagran and getting off at the station Kaisermühlen-Vienna International Centre. Weekly tickets can be purchased from vending machines in all U-bahn stations or at tobacco shops marked Tabak Trafik, at central U-Bahn stations and
also at the VIC newspaper stand. The weekly ticket is valid Monday through Sunday with unlimited use of all Viennese public transport facilities (U-Bahn, bus, tramway). Single tickets may also be purchased from the vending machines located in the U-bahn Stations and are valid for one trip lasting no longer than one hour in one direction. Single tickets can also be purchased in batches of 5, 10, etc.

B. BY TAXI

As all participants will have to go through the registration formalities passengers should ask the driver to drop them at the pedestrian Gate 1. On the following days the taxi can drive into the VIC garage. From within the building, taxis may be called from the telephone next to the entrance to the Rotunda. The customary tip for taxi drivers is 10 per cent of the fare. There is an extra charge for luggage, which is not shown on the meter.

C. BY PRIVATE CAR

Access to the VIC parking garage is through Gate 3. Drivers must have a valid parking permit. Meeting participants and visitors wishing to park their car in the VIC garage should inform the contact person of their meeting of the registration plate number of the car so that a parking permit can be prepared in advance. A parking permit will be issued Please note: on the day of arrival participants must first go through the registration formalities and should park their car outside the VIC, near Gate 1, on the Wagramer Strasse. Upon completion of the registration process and obtaining a parking permit, the driver may then park the car in the VIC garage.

D. FROM VIENNA AIRPORT

City Airport Train - Highspeed from/to the airport

From the airport to the heart of Vienna, from the heart of Vienna to the airport in only 16 minutes non-stop. Every thirty minutes.

adults

Single Ticket € 9,00
Return Ticket € 18,00

Time Table

Another alternative is to take the train (S-Bahn) from the airport to Praterstern. The train leaves every 30 minutes. The fare, including luggage, is €3.00. The trip lasts about 24 minutes. Arriving at Praterstern change to the underground line U1 (same as above) to get to the VIC.

Vienna Airport Lines - Bus and train (S-Bahn) schedules to/from the Airport.