CAREC Energy Work Plan: Implementation Progress

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KEY DEVELOPMENTS

Energy Sector Coordinating Committee convened twice in 2014:

- 17th CAREC-ESCC Meeting
 2-3 April 2014, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
- 18th CAREC-ESCC Meeting
 4-5 September 2014, Beijing, People's Republic of China





KEY DEVELOPMENTS (2) Energy Work Plan 2013-2015 Updates

| Element | Updates | Next Steps |
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| Element 1: Developing the Central Asia – South Asia Energy Corridor | CASA-1000 (WB) – WB reported on the progress of the different segments of the CASA 1000 project. TUTAP (ADB) – ADB presented on the addendum to the Afghanistan Master Plan which considered impact of CASA 1000 (approved on Feb 2014) on future development needs of Afghanistan. | Both organizations to continuously provide updates on projects in subsequent ESCC meetings. |
| Element 2: Resolving Regional Energy Dispatch and Trade Issues | WB presented on the state of cross-border power trade in the region and proposed establishment of working groups on select topics and identification of country sector specialists for these working groups. An overview of the interconnected systems in the Balkans region was presented for knowledge- sharing purposes. | WB to update the progress on establishment of the working groups |

KEY DEVELOPMENTS (3) Energy Work Plan 2013-2015 Updates

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| Element 3: Managing Energy-Water Linkages | World Bank presented updates on Energy Vulnerability to Climate Change Study | CAREC member countries were requested to identify appropriate individuals at institutions which would be in the best position to review results of the study. |
| Element 4: Mobilizing Funds for Building Energy Assets | TA approval envisioned by 2 nd week of September 2014 and engagement of consultants is ongoing | ADB to update on the status of TA implementation in the next ESCC meeting |
| Element 5: Implementation of Energy Sector Priority Projects | ADB presented on the updating activity of the priority projects list. Aggregate figures derived from the list will be used to capture how CAREC's physical infrastructure expansion and rehabilitation operations contribute to energy security, energy efficiency, and the CAREC region's ability to enhance power trade as a result of completed projects . | The Secretariat will request countries to continuously update the working list of projects and present in the next ESCC meeting |

KEY DEVELOPMENTS (4) Energy Work Plan 2013-2015 Updates

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| Element 6: Capacity Building and Knowledge Management | ADB reported on the implemented and planned activities under the CAREC Energy Sector Capacity Building and Knowledge Framework Program 2013-2015 and encouraged member countries to identify and inform of their training and capacity building needs which could be considered under the Program. USAID updated the meeting on the status of procurement for their Energy Links Project | Both organizations to continuously provide updates on activities in subsequent ESCC meetings. |

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Completed Activities in 2014 under Element 6

Capacity Building and Knowledge-Sharing

- Energy Efficiency Training Seminar: Central and West Asia Region, 28-29 May 2014, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Regional Energy Trade Workshop, 8-9 September 2014, Manila, Philippines
- Visit to the Green Energy Office, Malaysian Greentech Corporation, 30 May 2014, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Visit to the Changping HVDC Demonstration Project and Sihui Electric Bus Charging/Battery Swapping Station, 05 September 2014, Beijing, People's Republic of China
- Visit to the Philippine Wholesale Electricity Supply Market, 9 September 2014, Manila, Philippines

Improvement of Energy Page in CAREC website

• Updated energy page and directory of ESCC sector focals



Planned Activities in 2015

ESCC Meetings

- 19th ESCC, 6-7 April 2015, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- 20th ESCC combined with study tour and knowledge sharing activity, 7-8 September 2015, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Capacity Building and Knowledge-Sharing Organized by ESCC

 Capacity Building Workshop, (topic and venue to be determined) 8-10 June 2015
 Capacity Building and Knowledge Sharing Organized by EAEN

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 Knowledge Sharing Event on Advanced Low Emission Coal Technologies, 4-5 June 2015, Beijing, PRC



Thank you!

