



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Scaling-up Renewable Energy Program (SREP)

Scoping Mission

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Lesotho



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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 The **Climate Investment Funds (CIF)** support developing countries as they move toward low emissions and climate resilient development. The CIF provides developing countries with grants, concessional loans, and risk mitigation instruments that can achieve significant leverage of private sector resources, investments from MDBs, and other co-financing. Five Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) – the African Development Bank (AfDB), Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), and World Bank Group (WBG), including the International Finance Corporation (IFC) – are the implementing agencies of CIF funded projects and programs.

1.2 The CIF's financial architecture rests on two trust funds: (i) the Clean Technology Fund (CTF); and (ii) the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF):

- The CTF finances the scaled-up demonstration, deployment, and transfer of clean technologies. The focus is on piloting investments in countries or regions that have the potential for significant greenhouse gas abatement.
- The SCF finances targeted programs that pilot new approaches with the potential for scaling up. The SCF includes the Forest Investment Program, the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience and the **Scaling Up Renewable Energy Program in Low-income Countries (SREP)**. The objective of the SREP is to pilot and demonstrate the economic, social and environmental viability of low carbon development pathways in the energy sector by creating new economic opportunities and increasing energy access through the use of renewable energy.

1.3 In June 2014, the SREP Sub-Committee approved the selection of 14 new SREP pilot countries, including Lesotho, expanding to 27 the countries participating in the SREP program. In September 2014, the Government of Lesotho was invited to take a leadership role in working with the MDBs to develop a full SREP Investment Plan (IP). Lesotho is eligible to receive grant funding of up to US\$ 300,000 for the preparation of the SREP IP.

1.4 In January 2015, the SREP Sub-Committee agreed with the indicative allocation of US\$ 30 million to Lesotho. It was also agreed that the investment plans from the 14 new pilot countries would be endorsed on a first-come, first-served basis taking into account the quality of the investment plans, regardless of funding availability under the SREP. Funding for the projects and programs proposed in the investment plans will be contingent upon the availability of funds under the SREP.

1.5 The African Development Bank (AfDB) and the World Bank Group (WBG), including the International Finance Corporation, will be supporting the Government of Lesotho in the development of the SREP IP. The mission will also work closely with other relevant stakeholders – United Nations Organizations, bilateral partners, private sector companies, non-governmental organizations and civil society organizations in the design of the country’s IP. IFC will be the ‘lead’ MDB and would therefore coordinate the joint effort of the participating MDBs in the country.

2. SCOPING MISSION OBJECTIVES

2.1 Under the leadership of the Government of Lesotho, this Scoping Mission will gather the MDBs to assist the Government in planning and preparing the development of the SREP IP.

2.2 The Scoping Mission will: (i) introduce the key features of the SREP program to the relevant government ministries, other development partners, and other key stakeholders who should interact with the Government of Lesotho in the development of the SREP IP and also during the upcoming Joint Mission; (ii) consolidate necessary documentation and hold preliminary consultations with key stakeholders; (iii) do an assessment of necessary technical assistance and resources required to develop the SREP IP; (iv) prepare the Terms of Reference for the upcoming Joint Mission; and (v) agree on next steps and on a detailed timeline for the preparation of the SREP IP.

3. ACTIVITIES & EXPECTED OUTPUTS

3.1 The activities of the Scoping Mission are outlined below:

- Identify relevant government counterparts, development partners and stakeholders for SREP activities.
- Formalize the establishment of a multi-stakeholder SREP Technical Team responsible for the preparation of the SREP IP.
- Hold initial consultations to discuss the objectives of the SREP program, its benefits and the modalities of its implementation in Lesotho to ensure a common understanding by all stakeholders.
- Consider the performance of existing activities and documentation available on a range of analytical, strategic and programming activities related to renewable energy, which are considered important aspects of preparing the investment plan.
- Agree on the scope of work, consulting services requirements and other supports required for preparing the SREP IP on a timely manner.
- Agree on the indicative level of financial support required from SREP for the Government of Lesotho and the MDBs to prepare the SREP IP.

- Agree on the Terms of Reference for the next Joint Mission.
- Agree on the scope and outline of the SREP IP.

3.2 The expected outputs of the Scoping Mission are:

- Joint Aide-Mémoire of the Scoping Mission, including the findings of the mission, a roadmap for next steps and an agreement on the resources required for Phase I.
- Names and contacts of the SREP Technical Team members, responsible for preparing the SREP IP.
- Draft TORs for the Joint Mission.
- Draft outline of the SREP IP.

4. DATES

4.1 The proposed dates for the Scoping Mission are 18-19 June 2015.

5. PARTICIPANTS AND PROPOSED AGENDA

5.1 The Scoping Mission will be led by the Government of Lesotho's focal point for the SREP program, namely Mr. Mokhethi J. Seithleko, Deputy Director, Department of Energy (jerryseithleko@yahoo.com or peo.re@energy.gov.ls.com, telephone: +266 22323220, mobile: +266 63066760).

5.2 The MDBs focal points for the SREP program are:

- WB: Gevorg Sargsyan (gsargsyan@worldbank.org)
- IFC: Joyita M. Mukherjee (jmukherjee1@ifc.org)
- AfDB: Kurt Lonsway (k.lonsway@afdb.org)

5.3 Annex 1 below presents a tentative agenda and timetable for the activities for the Scoping Mission. A tentative list of stakeholders, including representatives from MDBs, participating in the Scoping Mission is presented in Annex 2.

ANNEX 1 – TENTATIVE AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

Time	Meeting	Participants	Venue	Status
Wednesday 17 June 2015				
1400-1500	Internal meeting	IFC team, WB country manager	WB office	Confirmed
1500-1600	MDB coordination meeting	IFC, AfDB	WB office	Confirmed
Thursday 18 June 2015				
0800-0845	Minister of Development Planning	IFC, AfDB, Minister and PS	Ministry of Development Planning	Provisional
0845-0930	Minister of Finance	IFC, AfDB, Minister and PS	Ministry of Finance	Provisional
0930-1015	Minister of Energy and Meteorology	IFC, AfDB, Minister and PS	Ministry of Energy and Meteorology	Provisional
1030-1230	Public sector stakeholders (Ministry of Energy and Meteorology, Lesotho Electricity Company, Lesotho Electricity and Water Authority, Ministries of Development Planning and Finance)	IFC, AfDB, public sector stakeholders	WB office	Confirmed
1230-1330	Lunch	IFC, AfDB, public sector stakeholders	WB office	Provisional
1330-1530	Private sector stakeholders (wind and solar developers, rural electrification companies)	IFC, AfDB, private sector stakeholders	WB office	Provisional
1600-1730	Civil society organisations	IFC, AfDB, civil society organisations	WB office	Provisional
Friday 19 June 2015				
0800-1000	Development partners	IFC, AfDB, development partners	WB office	Provisional
1030-1230	Wrap-up with SREP focal point and team	IFC, AfDB, SREP focal point and team	WB office	Confirmed

ANNEX 2 – LIST OF STAKEHOLDERS

Government

Organisation	Name	Title
Ministry of Development Planning	Hon. Mokoto Hloaele	Minister
	Lerotholi Pheko	Principal Secretary
Ministry of Finance	Hon. ‘Mamphono Khaketla	Minister
	Khusi Letsie	Principal Secretary
Ministry of Energy and Meteorology	Hon. Selibe Mochoboroane	Minister
	Emmanuel Lesoma	Principal Secretary
	Thabang Phuroe	Director of Energy
	Mokhethi Seitlheko	Deputy Director of Energy / SREP Focal Point
Lesotho Electricity Company	Mbele Hoohlo	Managing Director
Lesotho Electricity and Water Authority	Prof. Ntoi Rapapa	Chief Executive

Private Sector and Civil Society

Organisation	Name	Title
IPP developers	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>
Civil Society Organisations	<i>TBC</i>	<i>TBC</i>

Multilateral Development Banks

Organisation	Name	Title
IFC	Dan Croft	Senior Investment Officer
	Joyita Mukherjee	Senior Operations Officer
	Silvia Tanga	Consultant
AfDB	Farai Kanonda	Chief Energy Investment Officer
	Samuel Kumi-O’Brien	Consultant
World Bank	Edmund Motlatsi Motseki	Operations Officer and Country Officer