

SREP – Pilot country meeting

*Thursday, 11 November 2010
World Bank Headquarters, Washington D.C.
Room JB1-080*

Program

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 – 9.30 Opening
- *Welcoming remarks and objectives of the meeting*
 - *Introduction of the Global Support Program*
- 9.30 – 10.30 Introduction to SREP: Programming modalities, operational guidelines and financing modalities
- *Introduction to SREP and its objectives*
 - *Programming modalities and operational guidelines*
 - *Financing modalities*
 - *Questions, answers and discussion*
- 10.30 – 10.45 Presentation by UNDP/UNEP/UNIDO on initiatives to support renewable energy
- 10.45 – 11.00 *Coffee Break*
- 11.00 - 12.30 General discussion on preparations for the development of investment plans
- *Key note provided by a country participating in the PPCR*
 - *Presentation by pilot countries*
 - *Questions and answers*
 - *Discussion*
- 12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch Break*
- 14.00 – 15.00 Continuation of general discussion
- 15.00 – 15.15 Introduction to break-out groups
- 15.15 – 17.15 Break-out groups work (*coffee break included*)
- 17.15 – 17.45 Report back from break-out groups
- 17.45 – 18.00 Closing

Guide to the program of the meeting

The first meeting of the pilot countries participating in the Program for Scaling up Renewable Energy in low-income countries (SREP) will take place on November 11, 2010, at the World Bank in Washington D.C (for details see logistics sheet in the annex).

The meeting will focus on the expectations relating to the SREP, looking at issues such as the role of SREP in the national energy context, the development of investment plans and the preparation of joint missions. The meeting will be held in English only.

1. Opening

- 1.1 The SREP pilot country meeting will start at 9 a.m. It will be moderated by the African Development Bank, the International Finance Corporation and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, who will provide an overview of the objectives and program for the meeting.
- 1.2 After this introduction, Mr. Claudio Forner, Coordinator of the Global Support Program (GSP) of the CIF, will briefly introduce the GSP and describe the services it offers to pilot countries.

2. SREP: Programming modalities, operational guidelines and financing modalities

- 2.1 The objective of this segment is to present to pilot countries a set of guidelines for the implementation of the SREP, in particular:
 - a. The SREP Programming Modalities and Operational Guidelines, which outline the scope and types of activities under the SREP with details on the development of investment plans; the approach to support for enabling environments and capacity building; the process for preparing and deciding on investment projects and programs; and the endorsement of investment plans.
 - b. The SREP financing Modalities, which outline the financing products that the multilateral development banks may deploy using SREP resources; the terms for such financing, including fees for MDB project development and supervision costs; and standard SREP co-financing conditions.
- 2.2. The above-referred guidelines will be introduced by the CIF Administrative Unit. This introduction will be followed by a focused discussion on these guidelines with an aim to clarifying all concepts and procedures contained in them. Representatives from the MDBs and the CIF Administrative Unit will be available to answer questions from pilot countries.

3. General discussion on preparations for the development of investment plans: national energy context and expectations about the SREP

- 2.1 Pilot countries participating in the SREP were selected at the SREP sub-committee meeting in June 2010. Preparations for developing investment plans are at an early stage as joint country missions will only take place after the approval of programming and financing modalities.
- 3.1 The pilot country meeting has been organized in view of the need to provide countries with information that assist these countries in the preparation of investment plans. The objective of the second segment will be to exchange views, and ask questions on, the preparation of national investment plans. Pilot countries will be given an opportunity to describe their national energy context, outline their expectations about the SREP and provide an update on preparations for initiating the development of investment plans.
- 3.2. This segment will start with a presentation by a pilot country participating in the Pilot Program for Climate resilience (PPCR) to provide an overview of the requirements and steps followed in the development of the Strategic Program for Climate Resilience (SPCR), lessons learned from this process and views on the role of the SPCR in guiding individual investments. As the investment plan in the context of the SREP, the SPCR is intended to provide a general framework for investing resources from the PPCR at the national level and for blending these resources with other sources. Pilot countries participating in the PPCR are also low income countries. In the process of developing the SPCR, these countries have been exposed to challenges which may be similar to those that pilot countries participating in the SREP may face when developing their investment plans. Experiences and lessons learned in the context of the PPCR are without a doubt a valuable source of information for pilot countries participating in the SREP.
- 3.3. After the presentation on the development of the SPCR, each pilot country participating in the SREP will be invited to make a 10 minute presentation which summarizes information on their national energy context and expectations regarding the SREP, and provides an update on preparations for developing investment plans. The proposed order for these presentations is as follows:
 - Ethiopia
 - Nepal
 - Maldives
 - Mali
 - Honduras
 - Kenya
- 3.4. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions to the pilot countries after the presentations. They will also be encouraged will be encouraged to ask technical and procedural questions on the preparation of investment plans and joint missions to representatives from the multilateral development banks and the CIF administrative unit.

3.5. Presentations will be followed by an exchange of views on the challenges and requirements for developing the investment plans. Pilot countries will be invited to discuss the following questions:

- What are the main energy challenges that low income countries face in relation to the use of renewable energy? What are the main bottlenecks that have constrained the development of renewable energy in low income countries?
- How should SREP be incorporated in the national context to address these challenges and bottlenecks?
- How could renewable energy enhance the contribution of low income countries to the global mitigation agenda? How can it bring opportunities in terms of finance, including through the participation in carbon markets?

4. Break-out groups introduction and work

4.1 The objective of this segment is to facilitate communication and cooperation between pilot countries. To that end, six break-out groups of about eight participants each will be formed with a view to having an in depth discussion around a set of issues relevant to the SREP.

4.2. The moderator will provide a brief explanation of the modalities for the work of the break-out groups, including a proposal for the composition of each of these groups. Break-out group discussions will start straight after this introduction until 17.15, with a coffee break included.

4.3. Each break-out group should elect a moderator and a rapporteur. The moderator should encourage interaction between different countries, allowing an opportunity for each representative to contribute to the discussion. All break-out groups will address the following issues:

- Role of renewable sources of energy in the national context
- Expectations regarding joint missions and the development of investment plans, including how to ensure a participatory process that involves the private sector and the civil society
- Expertise, tools and data requirements in the development of investment plans and interest and mechanisms for knowledge sharing

5. Report back from break-out groups

5.1 The objective of this segment will be to hear reports from the eight break-out groups and to discuss any arising issues. To this end, rapporteurs will have up to eight minutes to provide a summary of the discussions at their respective break-out group.

5.2 The moderator may identify issues arising from these discussions which may require further discussion and will invite further views on them.

6. Closing

At the closing segment, the moderators will provide a summary of main points raised during the meeting. Participants will be invited to share their views on specific aspects of support they deem necessary for an effective implementation of the SREP, including ideas for the organization of the next pilot country meetings and next steps.

Annex: logistical information

Date and Time: **Thursday, November 11, 2010.**
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Registration: **Thursday, November 11, 2010.** 1 hour before the start
of the meetings

Venue and Room *SREP Pilot Counties Meetings (November 11, 2010)*
World Bank J Building
701, 18th Street, N.W. Washington D.C., 20433
Room: **JB1-080**

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