



Terms of Reference

Scaling-up Renewable Energy Program in Malawi

Scoping Mission



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Lilongwe

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) implemented by the Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) aims to promote international cooperation on climate change and support the efforts of the developing countries to reduce greenhouse gas and adapt to climate change. Two trust funds were created within the CIF: (i) the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) which finances the scaled-up demonstration, deployment, and transfer of clean technologies; and (ii) the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF) which finances targeted programs that pilot new approaches with the potential for scaling up. The SCF includes the Forest Investment Program (FIP), the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), and the Scaling Up Renewable Energy Program in Low Income Countries (SREP).

1.2 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. The SREP program will allow the selected countries to initiate a process which will result in a transformational change by bringing the countries towards a low development of greenhouse gas. This will be achieved by exploiting the renewable energy potential of the country instead of resorting to expensive and polluting fossil fuels and the inefficient use of biomass.

1.3 Since SREP was launched in December 2009, a number of countries have been selected as pilots in Africa. Those countries are: Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali, Liberia and Tanzania. In June 2014, a number of new SREP pilot countries were selected, among which is Malawi.

1.4 The MDBs, including African Development Bank (AfDB), the World Bank (WB) and International Finance Corporation (IFC), will be supporting the Government of Malawi in developing the SREP Investment Plan (IP); this will be done in coordination with other relevant stakeholders – United Nations Organizations, bilateral partners, private sector companies, non-governmental organizations and civil society organizations. In the case of the SREP Malawi, it was agreed that the AfDB would be the “lead MDB” and would therefore coordinate the joint efforts of the MDBs in the country.

2. OBJECTIVES

2.1 The guidance from the SREP Sub -Committee stressed the need for multilateral development banks to provide joint support to recipient countries to develop their SREP investment plan, but also to ensure broad consultation and ownership program by stakeholders in general. To effectively launch the preparation of the investment plan, the Government and the MDBs agreed that a preparatory mission takes place in Malawi from 11th to 13th April 2016, to initiate a process of dialogue with stakeholders and plan all preparation activities of the investment plan.

2.2 More specifically, the scoping mission objectives will be to: (i) inform stakeholders on the objectives of the SREP program, its benefits and the terms of its modalities to Malawi to ensure a common understanding and vision of the SREP in Malawi ; (ii) consult with the stakeholders on the strengths and weaknesses of renewable energy sub-sector in Malawi and see which activities (investments and technical assistance) could be considered as part of the investment plan to bring to the scale investments in renewables; (iii) identify analytical studies, policy documents, existing programming and planning documents in the fields of energy, renewable energy, climate change, and any other documentation that may guide the development of the plan investment, such as possibly identify additional topics to be diagnostic studies, reviews or evaluations; (iv) agree on the dates of the joint SREP mission and prepare the terms of reference of this mission, and (v) agree on the next steps and actions to prepare the investment plan.

3. ACTIVITIES AND EXPECTED OUTPUTS

3.1 The activities of the Scoping Mission are:

- Presentation of SREP program, with its program modalities and activities related thereto, and the role of different stakeholders in the financing of the investment plan;
- Identify stakeholders (central government, line ministries, local authorities, technical and financial development partners, private sector, civil society) to prepare a real institutional map (mapping exercise) of the players involved in the renewable energy sub-sector ;
- Identify key programs / projects currently underway on the energy sector in general and the sub-sector of renewable energies, in particular;
- Conducting an inventory of the strengths and weakness of the sector, on the documents governing the sector, etc. to have the necessary documents to prepare the investment plan;
- Set up the national team in charge of preparing SREP investment plan, involving key stakeholders, and clarifying its tasks, its mandate and composition;
- Identify potential technical assistance needs to prepare the SREP investment plan (and financial resources thereto);
- Meetings with private and public investors in the sub renewables sector;
- Preparation of terms of reference of the Joint Mission, including the identification of profiles of the leading experts required (including on social and environmental assessment, monitoring and evaluation, institutional analysis, etc.);
- Agreement on the detailed plan of SREP investment plan

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 the next steps and an agreement on the resources to be made available to prepare the IP;
- Names and contacts of the SREP National Task Force members, responsible for preparing the SREP IP;
- A table listing the main ongoing programs / projects in the energy sector in general and the sub-sector of renewable energies, (annexed to the Aide-Mémoire)
- Draft TORs for the Joint Mission
- Draft outline of the Investment Plan

4. PARTICIPANTS OF THE MISSION

4.1 The Scoping mission will be led by the Government of Malawi, represented by the SREP National Focal Point, Mr Joseph Kalowekamo, Deputy Director, Department of Energy Affairs of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining (MNREM). The representatives of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining, the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development will actively participate in the mission.

4.2 The AfDB will be the "lead" MDB for the preparation of investment plan in Malawi; the mission team will consist of:

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4.3 Consultations are also planned with other development partners present in Malawi, as well as representatives of the private sector and civil society. A detailed list will be presented in the Aide-Mémoire at the end of the mission.

5. PROPOSED AGENDA

Date	Time	Activities	Responsible	Place
Day 1	08.30 - 9.30	- MDB's internal Meeting (Resp Rep /CPO or Country Economist)	MDBs	AfDB office
	09.30 - 10.30	- Kick-off Meeting with Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining (MNREM)	MDBs, SREP national focal point	MNREM Conference Room, Capital Hill, Lilongwe
	10.30 - 11.30	- Kick-off Meeting with the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development (MoFEP&D)	MDBs, SREP national focal point	MFEP&D Conference Room, Capital Hill, Lilongwe
	13.00-16.00	- Working session with Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining and related agencies : <i>Presentation of SREP modalities and discussions on the sector, Opportunities and Challenges</i> -	MDBs, SREP national focal point, NTF	Department of Energy Affairs Conference Room, City Centre, Lilongwe
Day 2	09.00-10.00	- Meeting with Development Partners (DPs) from the Energy Sector Group <i>to discuss Energy Sector Issues, Opportunities & Challenges</i>	MDBs, DPs, SREP national focal point, NTF	Department of Energy Affairs Conference Room
	10.00-11.00	- Meeting with private sector, financial sector and NGOs <i>to discuss Energy Sector Issues, Opportunities & Challenges</i>	MDBs, SREP national focal point, NTF	Department of Energy Affairs Conference Room, City Centre, Lilongwe
	13:00-14:00	- Meeting with Green Climate Fund (GCF) Focal Point (environmental department)	MDBs, SREP national focal point, NTF	
	14 :00-16 :00	- Draft Aide-Mémoire	MDBs,	AfDB, Kang'ombe House, City Centre, Lilongwe
Day 3	09:00-12:00	- Meeting with SREP National Task Force (NTF) to discuss roadmap for the preparation of the investment plan & Joint Mission: outline of the IP (ii) confirm the task force (iii) consolidate all the required information (iv) discuss the preparation grant and (v) government priorities for the sector	MDBs, SREP national focal point, NTF	Department of Energy Affairs Conference Room, City Centre, Lilongwe
	14:00-	- Wrap up meeting with MNREM	MDBs, SREP	MNREM

	15:00		national focal point,	Conference Room, Capital Hill, Lilongwe
	15:00- 16:00	- Wrap up MDB Internal	MDBs	AfDB office