

UN ESCAP Seventy-eighth session of the Commission – Side event

Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services in the Asia-Pacific region

26 May 2022

12.45-13.45 (UTC/GMT +7, Bangkok)

(In-person and via Zoom)

Overview

The side-event aims to address existing opportunities and challenges to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 7 on energy in the Asia-Pacific region. As the region approaches the milestone year of 2025, there is still a room for promotion of sustainable solutions in the energy sector in order to accelerate progress towards 2030 agenda and the Paris Agreement. The side-event will contribute to the 78th Commission session as well as the UN ESCAP energy work program by highlighting the available means to ensure access to affordable, reliable and sustainable energy for all in the region. A perspective technical cooperation project will be presented at the side-event, aimed at exploring the potential of low-emission energy sources such as natural gas for the attainment of SDG 7 in Asia and the Pacific.

Expected outcome: raised awareness among the delegations at the 78th Commission session on available solutions to attain the SDG 7 in UN ESCAP region.

Speakers:

Alexey Kulapin, Head of the Russian Energy Agency, Russian Ministry of Energy (in person)

Hongpeng Liu, Director, Energy Division, UN ESCAP (in person)

Alexander Ermakov, Energy Econometrician, Energy Economics and Forecasting Department, Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) (online)

Nadejda Khamrakulova, Division of Sustainable Energy, UNECE (in person)

Beni Suryadi, Manager, ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE) (online)

Alexey Khmelnitkiy, Director General, Analytical agency ERTA (online)