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Side Event Concept Note

PARTNERSHIPS TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

15 November 2022 “Energy Day”

14:00-15:15

Hybrid Event @ the SDG Pavilion, Main Stage

Co-organized by UN ESCAP and Energy Foundation China

Description

The “Partnerships to Promote Sustainable Energy” side event will draw attention to the importance of partnerships in facilitating the transition to sustainable energy and advancing the climate agenda. The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP), Energy Foundation China (EFC) and collaborating organizations will highlight the role of effective partnerships.

The UN ESCAP-EFC partnership has supported the design and application of energy planning methodologies that have resulted in the adoption of Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG7) road maps in nine countries and six cities and provinces. A further seven countries and two cities have road maps under development. The partnership, in collaboration with UNEP under the Cool Coalition, has also supported the creation of a National Cooling Action Plan (NCAP) Methodology, which was piloted in Cambodia. Cambodia finalised its National Cooling Action Plan in 2022, the first in South-East Asia, while another two are under development in Indonesia and Viet Nam.

Proposed Side Event Programme

Through the side event, ESCAP and collaborating organisations will offer some highlights of strategic partnerships.

- **Launch of Pakistan’s SDG7 Road Map**

ESCAP, with the support of EFC, has worked with Pakistan to review and analyse its energy sector using the NEXSTEP tool, and a National SDG7 Road Map has just been finalised. Pakistan is one of the most challenged nations in the Asia-Pacific region in terms of sustainable energy, and therefore the road map represents a significant milestone in putting the nation on an accelerated path toward increased energy access, energy efficiency, and renewable energy.

- **Panel Discussion: Putting Plans into Action through Partnerships**

The panel discussion will focus on a) how actionable plans are developed, and b) how plans are put into action. Sample questions that may be addressed include:

- What elements are needed for an actionable sustainable energy plan or roadmap, and how can development partners improve their support for the planning process?
- Once an action plan has been developed, what are the modes of partnerships needed to support the implementation of plans?
- What are the elements of successful partnerships for the development of SDG7 road maps to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development?
- How can SDG7 Road Maps National Cooling Action Plans contribute to achieving net zero emissions?

Proposed Side Event Expected Outcomes

- Increased awareness of the ongoing partnerships that are supporting progress on SDG7 and climate actions in line with the Paris Agreement and the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol.
- Recognition of the need to build on planning efforts and introduce new collaborations to finance and implement plans.
- New commitments to engage in the implementation of sustainable energy and climate related initiatives.

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Programme: 15 November 14:00 – 15:15

	MC	Mr. Hongpeng Liu Director, Energy Division UN ESCAP
Opening Session		
14:00 – 14:15	Opening remarks	H.E. Mr. Khurram Dastgir Khan Minister of Energy and Power Pakistan
		Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana <i>(video message)</i> Executive Secretary UN ESCAP
14:15 – 14:20	Welcome remarks	Prof. Ji Zou CEO & President Energy Foundation China
14:20 – 14:30	Keynote speeches	Mr. Shah Jahan Mirza Managing Director Private Power and Investment Board Government of Pakistan
		Dr. Vaqar Ahmed <i>(video message)</i> Joint Executive Director Sustainable Development Policy Institute
Launch of Pakistan's SDG7 Road Map		
14:30 – 14:45	SDG7 Road Map Launch	
	Highlights and policy recommendations	Dr. Hina Aslam Research Fellow, Energy Lead Sustainable Development Policy Institute
Panel Discussion		
14:45 – 15:07	“Putting Plans into Action through Partnerships”	Mr. Minoru Takada Team Leader on Energy Division for Sustainable Development Goals UN DESA
	<i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Han Wei Director of Projects President's Office Energy Foundation China	Dr. Hina Aslam Research Fellow, Energy Lead Sustainable Development Policy Institute
		Mr. Jonathan Duwyn Programme Officer Cool Coalition
15:07 – 15:10	Closing remarks	Mr. Hongpeng Liu Director, Energy Division UN ESCAP
15:10 – 15:15	Group photo	

