



## **Energy+ Partnership Meeting Oslo 11 October 2011**

### **Summary**

There were 47 participants present at the meeting, representing developing countries, donor countries, private sector, international organizations and civil society. See attached list of participant.

1. Welcome and brief presentation of participants

Ambassador Ole A. Lindeman welcomed all and invited all participants to present themselves.

2. Partnership update

An update on the Energy+ Partnership was given. Before the “Energy for all” Conference 21 countries and organizations had joined the Energy+ Partnership. During the Conference the number of interested and potential partners increased. All partners and potential partners were welcomed to take part in the meeting. A revised list of Energy+ Partners is attached.

Representatives from existing and potential partners were challenged to share their thoughts on how they may contribute in the partnership.

3. Development of the Energy+ partnership

An overview of the main activities and the link to other initiatives was given, in particular to the UN Secretary-General’s initiative “Sustainable Energy for All”. Further, a layout of the private sector and civil society engagement strategies were presented. Presentation given attached.

Key messages from the participants:

- Off-grid solutions need to be focused because this segment will provide a large share of the solution
- Investor forums should be arranged locally – not only in the financial centers
- USA and the GEF should be approached to become partners, as well as large emerging economies like China and India
- Real donor coordination should be the focus

- A web platform could make it possible for small developing countries to join

### **Brief summary of the inputs received during the meeting:**

- WB-ESMAP-SREP: Results-based funding. Indicators for results on energy poverty/ access. SREP will provide USD 300 mill to Ethiopia, Kenya, Nepal, Maldives, Honduras and Mali.
- Paris-Nairobi Initiative (France): Project based approach, but can transform into sectoral approach. Will complement Energy+ and work together. Identification of demand-side projects and energy intensive industries, whilst testing-out technologies. Will prepare concept note on how the Paris-Nairobi Initiative and Energy+ will complement each other.
- WBCSD: Access to Energy Initiative. Identification of key players. Private sector will play a key role.
- UK: Green Africa Power (GAP) is not yet operational. Financed by a number of partners. Will accelerate deployment of renewable energy in Africa.
- UNIDO: Involved in UN Sustainable Energy Access for All, several programs focused on renewable energy, entering a new PPA-agreement with Statoil in Angola.
- African Development Bank: Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa, equity and debt, grants for SMEs.
- UNDP: Working on enabling environment – helping governments, draws on GEF-funding, co-author of the last Get FiT report together with Deutsche Bank. Working on sectoral crediting.
- ECOWAS: Promotes energy access, focuses on enabling environment.
- ADB: Would like to bring in the Asian perspective, in addition to their other programs and initiatives (e.g. Energy for all, investor forums).
- Denmark: Global Green Growth Forum (3GF), Public Private Partnership initiative launched in Copenhagen.
- Senegal: Established Ministry of Renewable Energy. Working on energy access every day...
- Morocco: Electrification projects and regional initiatives
- FAO: Link between food security of and energy access/climate, working on report towards Durban.
- OECD: Focus on Green Growth. Willing to help with analytical work, also on national level, work on global and national level, focus on policy and finance framework for business development related to energy.
- South Africa: South Africa Renewable Initiative (SARI) – an initiative to finance the incremental cost of 25GW renewable energy within 2020.
- Maldives: Would like to see room for innovations and mature technologies in the initiative, suggested web platforms to be appropriate for the Energy+ partnership.

- UN Foundation: Will provide the link to the Technical working groups under the SE4ALL initiative (e.g. to the practitioner network related to energy access). Include Global Compact in UNF efforts. Valuable link to private sector and with SE4ALL.
- Center for Global Development (CGD): Strong need for donor coordination. Gates Foundation has succeeded with little and flexible money. Support to local think tanks should be given.
- Liberia: We lack deal flow of business opportunities. Lack project development capacity. Need bankable projects.
- Nigeria: There will be different needs in different countries.
- GVEP: We need to figure out how to get knowledge from bottom of the pyramid perspective. Could we narrow Energy+ to a few segments to be more focused? Instead of interviewing people, could we use some “seed-funding” to gain experience?
- World Future Forum: NGOs may provide content and credibility, and spread the word. Perhaps Energy+ should limit the numbers of partners and instead operate with affiliates?
- WWF: NGOs work on the ground in the developing countries. Take notice of EnDev. We may bridge the gap between grass root level and high policy level. Transparency is key – independent of organizational format.
- Friends of the Earth Norway: REDD+ experiences give us these success criteria: strong local participation and bottom-up approach. What kind of energy – for whom? Must address co-benefits. Would like to contribute to the definition of “energy access”.

#### 4. Organizational modalities, interim working group, timetable

The Energy+ Partnership will be formalized by Rio+20 Summit. In the interim the Partnership will be organised in the following manner:

- Energy+ Partnership: Open to all. Modalities to be defined through the Energy+ Partnership Declaration – to be negotiated and finalised by the Rio+20 Summit.
- Interim Working Group consisting of Norway, United Kingdom, France, Kenya, Ethiopia, Senegal, The World Bank Group, Asian Development Bank, African Development Bank, UNDP, UNIDO and World Business Council on Sustainable Development (WBCSD). Charged with the responsibility of proposing an organizational framework, including further elaboration of the Energy+ Principles.
- Donor Group: Forum for informal exchange between bilateral donors on country programs.

#### 5. Milestones – next steps

The following milestones were proposed:

- COP 17 in Durban, 28 November- 9 December 2011: *Interim WG Meeting*

- World Future Energy Summit in Abu Dhabi, mid January: *Interim WG Meeting*
- Nairobi – February/March – the Paris - Nairobi initiative: *Partnership Meeting*
- Rio+20 conference in June 2012, or in Oslo May/ June: *Partnership Meeting*

A detailed meeting schedule will be prepared.