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Message from the secretariat

Dear reader,

In the third week of June, Energy for All organized its first Investor Forum and also one of the four “break-out streams” during the Asia Clean Energy Forum, held at ADB’s Headquarter in Manila. The events were joined by major stakeholders in energy access in Asia and the Pacific. During the week, there were meetings of the Energy for All Partnership Steering Committee as well as the Working Groups on ‘lighting for all’ and ‘enterprise development’.

At the meeting in Manila, the Energy for All partners underlined their leadership related to scaling up energy access in Asia and the Pacific. The possibility to meet in person, both in the sessions and in the corridors, created a lot of energy and new initiatives.

Through our website, facebook and twitter pages, we hope that we can further stimulate the exchange and create new dynamics using social media. Therefore we encourage our members to update us regularly on new developments, projects etc. within their organization. We have included a member update form on our website. For those, who have not yet registered as members: Please join our efforts to service 100 million people by 2015 with access to clean, safe and affordable energy services.

Thank you very much for your contribution towards Energy for All.

- Frank van der Vleuten, Energy for All Partnership Secretariat

Partnership highlights

Energy Access at the 6th Asia Clean Energy Forum

From 22- 24 June, ADB’s Headquarter in Manila hosted the 6th Asia Clean Energy Forum (ACEF) under the overall theme of “New Business Models and Policy Drivers - Building the Low-Carbon Future”. The forum was participated by 660 participants from the governments, financial institutions, civil society, academia, international organizations, and the private sector.

Energy access played an important role during the conference and was presented in six breakout sessions covering topics on different technologies, business models, and role of various stakeholders in Asia and the Pacific. Write-up of the breakout sessions as well as background information on the

Investor Forum can be uploaded from our website at www.energyforall.info. Presentations are available at: <http://www.scribd.com/ACEF2011>.

The overall agreement during ACEF – *“We will have to work together to make our goal happen: Servicing 100 million people by 2015, Sustainable Energy for all by 2030!”*

Energy for All Partnership Steering Committee meets in Manila



The Energy for All Partnership Steering Committee met in Manila on 21 June to discuss progress of the partnership.

Present in the meeting were representatives from ADB, SEAS, WBCSD, Global Sustainable Electricity Partnership, TERI, SNV, E+Co, REEEP, REEX Capital, and the National Electrification Administration of the Philippines. The steering committee confirmed Korea Wind Energy Industry Association as new convener of the small wind working group and its President, Dr. Rimtaig Lee as its representative to the Steering Committee.

Items discussed included updates on new development among steering committee members, progress of the working groups, and trajectory of the secretariat, among others. The committee agreed to intensify communication with the members of the partnership, especially through the use of website and social media.

Domestic Biogas Experts Meeting in Bangkok

The final meeting of the expert group on technical innovation of domestic biogas plants was held in Bangkok on 19-20 June 2011.



The group members discussed findings on the improvement of conventional biogas plants for the existing market, as well as new products for potential users living in areas with high water table, limited space to install the biogas plant, or limited feedstock for the biogas plant.

The findings and preliminary recommendations entitled “Market Development of Domestic Biogas Plants through Technical Innovation” were presented at the Asia Clean Energy Forum 2011 in Manila. The expert group will prepare a final report and circulate to the members of the domestic biogas working group for comments.

1st Energy for All Investor Forum

The first Energy for All Investor Forum was held in ADB Headquarters, Manila on 21 June 2011. Through this event, the Energy for All Partnership seeks to build a pipeline of projects that will lead to its objective of providing modern energy to 100 million people by 2015.



In attendance were more than 70 participants from financial institutions, development agencies and stakeholders in the access to energy space.

Fourteen projects were presented during the 3 sessions of the forum. Session 1 featured project models that are replicable. Session 2 presented financial mechanisms that are targeting enterprises with clear social impact and finally, Session 3 gave a peek of private enterprises that are serving specific niches in the bottom of the energy access pyramid. For full article, visit the energy for all website.

Lighting for All working group convenes a meeting

The members of the working group Lighting for All that were present at ACEF met on 22 June 2011 to discuss progress and planning of working group activities. The group proposed to conduct a workshop to develop work plans and identify activities that would contribute to the formation of sufficiently large regional or national institution(s) in 2-3 countries to facilitate scaling up of off-grid lighting projects. The meeting was attended by ADB, IDCOL, Kamworks, Picosol, Barefoot Power, and Asian Solar Enterprise Incubator.

EDWG members discuss next steps

Enterprise Development working group (EDWG) members agreed to initiate discussions with financial institutions in their countries to understand what activities or investments they would be willing to finance relating to energy access. The meeting was also highlighted with the updates from EDWG members.

The WG meeting was attended by representatives from ADB, Sustainable Energy Association of Singapore (SEAS), World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), ILO, Grameen Shakti, Sustainable Energy Association of Indonesia (SEAI), Sustainable Energy Association of Papua New Guinea (SEAP), and Full Advantage. Ms. Linda Megawati, Member of Parliament in Indonesia was also in the meeting joining Mr. Rusmin Widjaja of SEAI.

Nexus organizes Rural Energy and Climate Workshop in Siem Reap

ADB and Energy for All partner Nexus brought together project developers and financiers during a three-day workshop in Siem Reap on 11-13 July 2011 to discuss how to make clean energy affordable for the poor.

The workshop included a project marketplace and competition where developers were given the opportunity to showcase their projects and to gather feedback from peers and funders. GERES Cambodia, IDEA Sri Lanka and Yunnan University's Center of Biogas Engineering and Technology each

won \$5,000 awards to support their innovative projects on improved cookstove dissemination and rehabilitating dysfunctional biogas plants, respectively.

REEEP allocates €3 million to 21 low-carbon energy projects

The Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP) will fund 21 new clean energy projects in 17 countries, aimed at widening access to modern energy and supporting low carbon development in emerging markets and developing countries. A further 7 projects are waitlisted for review and possible support. For full article please visit REEEP website.

News

Universal Energy Access Can Secure Growth and Freedom, Say Vienna Energy Forum Participants

VIENNA, 21 June 2011 (WAM) - Participants at a major international event on energy that opened in the Austrian capital today called for bold steps and strategic public-private partnerships to guarantee universal energy access by 2030, including by expanding the use of renewable energy sources. Read more...

UNDP calls for energy access to all by 2030

NEW DELHI: With 1.4 billion people in the world still living without electricity, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has joined its partner agencies in a call to provide modern energy services to all within the next 20 years. Read more...

Energy access a generational issue

Officials estimate about \$40 billion per year is needed to meet the 2030 objectives. Marc Perrin de Brichambaut, secretary-general of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, said problems related to energy transcend national boundaries.

"Energy security", he said, was "quite possibly the main problem for our generation to resolve." Read more...

UN official stresses need for universal access to energy to boost development

The lack of access to affordable and reliable energy is a major hindrance to human, social, and economic development, a senior United Nations official told delegates attending an international forum that got under way in Austria today to discuss ways of ensuring universal access to energy.

"Without access to modern forms of energy it is highly unlikely that any of the objectives of the Millennium Development Goals will be achieved," said Kandeh K. Yumkella, the Director General of the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). Read more...

Orb Energy, Acumen Fund Announce Partnership to Address Energy Needs for Millions in India without Electricity

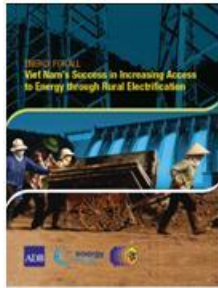
Orb Energy Pte Ltd. (Orb), one of India's leading providers of solar energy systems, and Acumen Fund, a nonprofit global venture firm addressing poverty in South Asia and East Africa, today announced a partnership to address energy needs for millions of Indians without reliable electricity. Acumen Fund is making a significant equity investment to help Orb extend its household lighting systems to more rural customers, to scale its manufacturing, and to develop innovative products to meet the needs of its low

income customers. [Read more...](#)

Publication Review

Energy for All: Vietnam's Success in Increasing Access to Energy Through Rural Electrification

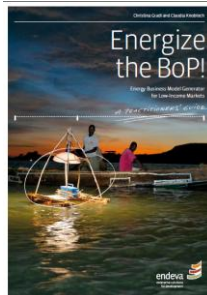
The report which is a publication of Southeast Asia Department and the Regional and Sustainable Development Department of ADB discusses the valuable lessons of Vietnam in rural electrification.



The report mentioned that in 1975, the electrification level of the poor households in Vietnam was only 2.5%. In 2009, the country had reached 96% of its households bringing modern power to the Vietnamese people in both urban and rural areas. This high level of electrification is comparable to the People's Republic of China and Thailand, and is remarkable because Viet Nam has a lower average income level than either country. Download the report [here](#).

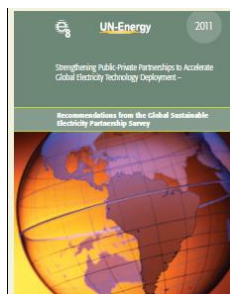
Energize the BoP!

Endeva recently launched the Energize the BoP! publication, an energy business model generator designed to support entrepreneurs and companies in developing sustainable business that provide clean, reliable, and affordable energy services to low-income markets.



The generator makes the business case for venturing into the low-income market, outlines solutions for interacting with low-income households, and offers advice on the entire development process - from design to implementation and growth. Energize the BoP! draws upon the documented experience of 250 business, 35 of which have been analyzed in-depth. It includes an extensive directory of useful contacts and information sources of use to entrepreneurs in the field. The report is available at the Endeva [website](#).

Strengthening Public-Private Partnerships to Accelerate Global Electricity Technology Deployment – Recommendations from the Global Sustainable Electricity Partnership Survey



The E8, now Global Sustainable Electricity Partnership, with its partnering organizations, conducted a survey of best practices by partnership promoters, practitioners and beneficiaries. The purpose was to identify which policy and project characteristic establish an attractive financial risk-reward atmosphere to bring projects to fruition.

The results of the survey are presented in this report, and recommendations may be used by partnering organizations with countries to adopt best practices in their electricity technology deployment plans. The report is available at the Global for Sustainable Electricity Partnership [website](#).

Announcements

Membership Updates

The Energy for All Partnership is introducing a new membership system to track and share the activities of existing and new partners. We expect that the new system will improve the flow of information and increase collaboration among partners. If you are an existing or are interested to join the partnership, we request you to kindly fill up the online participation form at <http://www.energyforall.info/participation-form>.

All partners will be requested to share updates on their activities at least on a yearly basis <http://www.energyforall.info/member-update>. This information will be shared on the partnership website, <http://www.energyforall.info/>.

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