



EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON
ENERGY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON:

“Developing a Regional Renewable Energy Investment Pipeline”

13 June 2017, Astana - Kazakhstan

Economic And Social Commission For Western Asia / United Nations Economic Commission for Europe



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OVERVIEW OF THE UN DA PROJECT ON “PROMOTING RE INVESTMENTS FOR CCM & SD” AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES FROM THE WORKSHOP

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Promoting renewable energy investments for climate change mitigation and sustainable development (2015-2017)

- Implemented by ESCWA (lead agency) and UNECE

Objective

Capacity building for development of RE investment projects.

Assist UN ESCWA & UN ECE Member States to strengthen capacities in attracting investments in RE projects in the context of climate change mitigation and sustainable development.

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Expected accomplishments

- Improved capacity of government officials/ national financial institutions / national energy experts / project developers / to develop RE investment projects in private and public sectors
- Improved capacity for governments to adopt policies & measures to improve opportunities for banks & commercial companies to invest in RE projects through the development of new financing mechanisms

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Main activities:

- a) Technical assistance to national officials & experts: 2 regional trainings in “RE project development, finance and business planning” (Yerevan-Armenia, 2015 / Rabat-Morocco, 2016) + guidebook for project developers prepared by ESCWA
- b) Individual technical assistance to project developers in preparing bankable project documents : Investment project pipeline (Activity in progress in both regions)
- c) Review of project pipeline & knowledge on RE investment projects (regulatory & policy requirements / technical aspects) for attracting and implementing investments (foreign/national capital): A joint regional workshop in Astana, Kazakhstan, Jun 2017**
- d) Case studies on RE policy reforms: 4 case studies in each region (Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco & UAE / Georgia, Kazakhstan, Serbia & Ukraine): Work being finalized , including synthesis report of all case studies

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Main activities (continued):

- d) Capacity strengthening of national & local policymakers in promoting RE investments: A joint regional seminars on RE policy reforms (held in Baku, Azerbaijan, October 2016) + dissemination of case studies' reports
- e) Online platform for knowledge sharing, information & compilation of best practices & lessons learned: Coordination underway with IRENA to integrate objectives/features of platform in new version of "IRENA's SUSTAINABLE ENERGY MARKETPLACE" web site – **An introductory presentation of the Marketplace is included in the agenda of this Workshop**
- f) End-of-project workshop to bring together officials & selected project developers from the 2 regions along with major domestic & foreign investors: November 2017 (Beirut, Lebanon)

DA Project Advisory Board:

(Distinguished experts: 6 Members)

Accompany the project activities, provide feedback on outputs / strategic insights to project developers

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Jointly organized by ESCWA and UNECE in Astana – Kazakhstan /
Framework of the Ministerial Conference and 8th International
Forum on Energy for Sustainable Development

Objectives:

focus on the following:

- ✓ Providing knowledge on RE investment projects that project developers and relevant country officials should deal with:
Technical / regulatory & policy requirements
- ✓ Facilitating a discussion between project developers with relevant stakeholders and experts in order to finalize their proposals /
explore potential financing avenues

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Topics of the Workshop:

- Presentation of the global technical-economic trends for RE technologies.
- Presentation of ESCWA and UN ECE Project Development Portfolios, and panel discussions about issues that need to be addressed
- Introduction to the IRENA Marketplace
- Presentation of the regulatory and policy requirements for promoting RE investments: Adopted frameworks in selected ESCWA and ECE MC.

Some of the questions to be addressed:

- What are the impacts of the global technical-economic trends of RE technologies on RE investments in developing countries?
- What are key regulatory & policy options that can promote RE investments in both ESCWA and ECE Member countries?
- How can the project proposals developed in the RE portfolio for both ESCWA and ECE regions evolve into bankable projects?

Link to UN DA project: <https://www.unescwa.org/node/94046>

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