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Harnessing Learnings

Favourable Policy and Regulation Measures

- Completed a total of 32 Policy and Regulation projects in 25 countries; shared key lessons and outcomes. Expected impacts to be assessed.
- Oversaw the implementation of 15 projects in 19 countries — in co-operation with local authorities — to support policy and regulatory frameworks for sustainable energy and leveraging a total of €2,269,386 financing into the sustainable energy sector.
- Enhanced direct work with governments and authorities assisting in implementing policies and regulations in Argentina and Uganda.
- Contributed to *World Energy Outlook 2008*, published by the International Energy Agency.
- Launched the third edition of the REEEP/Sustainable Energy Regulation Network (SERN) policy review, containing a sustainable energy policy review of 79 developing and emerging countries.
- Published the first *Global Energy Efficiency Assessment Report*, giving comprehensive insight into best-practice solutions globally.
- Established the first regional network of the Energy Efficiency Coalition in Mexico in close collaboration with respected Mexican partners.

Innovative Business and Finance Approaches

- Completed a total of 17 Business and Finance projects in 16 countries, demonstrating new business approaches models, financing arrangements and instruments to develop sustainable energy markets.
- Oversaw the implementation of 22 projects in 12 countries leveraging a total of €3,553,142 financing into the sustainable energy sector.
- Co-operated with the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) to generate information about the sustainable commitments of companies listed in the FTSE 500 index.
- Established new linkages with financial institutions such as the Global Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Fund (GEEREF), and developed strategies for increased co-operation.
- Completed voluntary carbon offset for the United Kingdom Foreign and Commonwealth Office for 2005 and 2006 and entered into a new agreement with the Government of Ireland to give support on their voluntary offset scheme.

- Developed the first comprehensive analysis of REEEP programmes since its inception in the *Analytical and Synthesis Study*.
- Designed an IT facility to customise toolkits out of learnings, which will include all the key outputs of the REEEP Policy and Finance projects.
- Initiated and completed the first set of 37 project impact assessments carried out by independent experts providing an insight into the outcomes of REEEP projects after implementation.

Broadening Outreach

- Implemented a new customer-friendly website and community platform enabling REEEP to significantly improve global communication and the sharing of best practices.
- Organised, co-hosted or endorsed 102 events and attended and presented REEEP and its objectives at more than 155 events, reaching more than 15,000 people.
- Achieved 148 hits in websites and magazines, generated through the International Secretariat alone and reaching a total readership of 4.675 million.
- Pursued improved access to the US administration through the high-level Capitol Hill event on Energy Justice.
- Published the third REEEP Annual Report as well as individual flyers highlighting key strategic areas including EEC and reeple.

Building Knowledge in the Network

- Initiated the redesign of reeple, a powerful information gateway for renewable energy and energy efficiency, and broadened its knowledge and actors databases.
- Established a network of more than 60 independent experts supporting REEEP's programme and communication work. The experts were identified through a tendering process.
- Continued the annual REEEP Regional Secretariat meeting and held two Governing Board meetings and one Finance Committee meeting.
- Implemented a Programme Management Information System to automate the project cycle, increase transparency and improve efficiency at all levels.
- Updated and expanded all REEEP-maintained databases, including the Actors Catalogue and the Training and Education Database (TED).
- Actioned recommendations from the Evaluation Report, focusing on improved infrastructure and more targeted programme activities.



REEEP partners will contribute to the expansion of the global market for renewable energy and energy efficiency. Partners agree that making this step towards sustainable development requires a concerted global effort to create a level playing field for sustainable energy.

As the deployment of clean technology rises up the international agenda in advance of Copenhagen, exciting new opportunities will open up for REEEP.



Aims and Objectives

Chairman's Statement

REEEP's vision is to accelerate the global market for sustainable energy by acting as an enabler, multiplier and catalyser of changing energy systems. REEEP aims to deliver significant value through facilitating:

- a significant global increase in investments in renewable energy;
- a significant global increase in energy efficiency measures;
- a significant increase in access to sustainable energy services for the poor.

The lack of long-term and reliable policies and regulatory measures to support renewables and energy efficiency, and a corresponding lack of finance, are the principal obstacles to the development of sustainable energy markets. The removal of market barriers is urgently needed to achieve the long-term transformation of the energy sector, including the creation of attractive investment environments.

REEEP projects concentrate on the following themes:

- Policy and Regulation: robust policies and favourable, transparent and stable regulatory frameworks to attract investors and to guarantee affordable energy services to consumers.
- Innovative Finance Mechanisms: new forms of financing, risk mitigation and finance models to make small-sized renewable and energy-efficient projects bankable and economically attractive.

REEEP actions are demand driven and regional.

REEEP relies on partners' voluntary contributions. In particular, they can add value through a willingness to share finance, experiences and knowledge.

REEEP understands that partners' efforts need to be backed up by well-functioning and regular communication as well as access to information. Empowering the network is essential to long-term delivery and partner engagement.

More than ever, energy and climate change are the biggest long-term challenges that we face. In the run-up to Copenhagen, UNFCCC negotiations are giving increased attention to issues relating to the deployment and transfer of low-carbon technology. In this context, REEEP's specialised work in developing the policy, regulatory and business models to spur private sector investment in renewables and energy efficiency will become more valuable than ever. The Partnership's emphasis on both the demand and supply sides of the energy market also make it a unique player.

The challenge for the coming year will be to make sure that REEEP can deliver measurable, reportable and verifiable achievements towards the goals of both alleviating poverty and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

There are already very encouraging indications of the strong impact of REEEP activities. The independent *Analytical and Synthesis Study* of the REEEP programme finds the Partnership's activities to be highly effective, particularly given the level of funds disbursed.

The study also clearly demonstrates that REEEP has been able to maintain a high standard of project quality during a period of intensive growth — fourfold since the organisation's inception.

REEEP also achieves a high level of local stakeholder engagement, a factor that is critical in delivering success on the ground.

A prime example of this was a project in South Africa, which successfully built

knowledge and capacity at city government level on the development of new climate and energy strategies. These are now seen in five of that country's 15 largest cities. The project proved that the will to implement sustainable energy does exist when wider issues are reformulated into concrete, actionable steps. This is typical of REEEP's approach generally.

This year also marked several awareness-raising successes for REEEP, including the Energy Justice event on Capitol Hill in September 2008, which brought together a wide variety of senior US stakeholders, underlining the changing mood in North America.

In the long run, we know that the costs of not acting on climate change are greater than the costs of acting. Developed countries such as the UK have two responsibilities here. Firstly, we must show that a low-carbon future is possible; and secondly, we need to support developing countries in meeting their mitigation and adaptation needs. REEEP is a vehicle that helps us to do that.

Since its launch in 2003, the Partnership has grown into a truly global effort and is now supported by 42 governments worldwide. I am therefore happy to announce that the UK Government will continue its support of REEEP. Along with other contributions from key partners such as Norway and Australia, such support will underpin the continued success of REEEP.

Peter Betts
Chair of REEEP Governing Board
Director of Energy and Climate Change International, Department of Energy and Climate Change, UK



Director General's Review

This year, REEEP's efforts to kick-start the market for renewable energy and energy efficiency had a markedly increased emphasis on the delivery of measurable, reportable and verifiable achievements.

These can then be tracked as to how they contribute to the Partnership's objectives of both alleviating poverty and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. This will help to increase REEEP's ability to capture lessons learnt, which will be important for the future replication and scale-up of projects and programmes.

Marianne Osterkorn
Director General of REEEP

DEMONSTRATING CLEAR VALUE ADDED

An important marker on this crucial road was the release of the *Analytical and Synthesis Study* of the REEEP programme in March 2009. This independent study looked in detail at 47 REEEP projects and concluded that these projects have disproportionately high results for the amount of funds disbursed, and that they do indeed have the desired catalyst effect.

Some 90 percent of projects were deemed successful in reaching their defined objectives. The study attributes this strong track record to careful project design, a competitive selection process, and the high level of local stakeholder buy-in assured thanks to the involvement of the Regional Steering Committees throughout the process.

This serves as tangible proof of REEEP's benefits to donors, whether as a channel for expanding national energy and environmental policy to the international level; as a means of meeting climate change and/or Official Development Assistance commitments; or as a demonstration of the provision of assistance to developing countries' shift to a low carbon path. It is also proof of real benefits to developing country governments, including access to global best practices and to a partnership that is proven to be neutral, quick and effective.

Much of REEEP's value added stems from the fact that it does not look at supply (RE) and demand (EE) in isolation, but rather looks to combine their symbiotic benefits.

THEMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC FOCUS

REEEP's projects remain the core business of the Partnership, and they are selected for their potential for replication and leverage effect. This year marked the completion of a further 17 projects in the Sixth Programme Cycle, 12 of them focused on Policy and Regulation (including commissioned projects), and five on Business and Finance. This year also saw the new call for proposals for the Seventh Programme Cycle, which will reach the final selection of 49 new projects early in the next budget year, with a refined thematic and geographic focus.

The Seventh Programme Cycle is once again the largest call since REEEP's inception, thanks to €4.7 million funding from six donors: the UK, Norway, Australia, New Zealand, Italy and Ireland. In addition, during the year further funding was received from Austria, Australia, Canada, Germany and the UK, as well as from industry, for network support and activities, allowing the Partnership to continue its operations and effectively run the global network.

The Seventh Programme Cycle will continue to concentrate on policy and finance initiatives, but will be refined through closer linkage with existing global finance facilities to enhance the probability that REEEP projects lead to larger-scale replication and implementation.

In consultation with donors, the Seventh Cycle will also focus activities where there

is the greatest need and potential for interventions and where specific lessons can be learnt and maximised. The Plus Five countries will be given particular attention.

REEEP will also take into account donor priorities in selecting specific developing countries in the Africa and Pacific region.

STRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATION FOLLOW STRATEGY

This year, the REEEP structure is stronger and healthier than ever. With 50 new partners signing up to REEEP in 2008/9, the Partnership now comprises a total of 246 partners. Among them are 42 governments, four of which joined in the last year. A highlight of the year was the signing up of the Energy Research Institute (ERI), a sub-organisation of the National Development and Reform Commission (NRDC) of China, reinforcing REEEP's close collaboration with the Chinese authorities. This year also saw the Norwegian Government officially sign up to the Partnership, thus solidifying REEEP's already strong relationship with its second largest donor.

Through the year, REEEP communication activities continued to build on their strong base. Following last year's overhaul of the website infrastructure, the community members now enjoy easy access to high-quality information and greatly eased collab-

oration. Website usage figures mirror this, jumping 54 percent over the course of the year. The inter-linkage of all IT tools provides continuously updated information.

REEEP's extensive links with other partnerships, initiatives and international organisations widened in the course of the year. Furthermore, the Partnership undertook significant capacity-building activities, attending 155 events and presenting or organising 102 events over the year, including key forums such as Wilton Park and Capitol Hill. REEEP's targeted media strategy resulted in 148 hits in websites and magazines generated through the International Secretariat alone, providing a total readership of 4.675 million readers, cementing its role at the forefront of the clean energy debate.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would like to thank all our donors and partners for their support and commitment during 2008/9, which enabled us to build on and initiate activities to encourage market transformation.

With the help of donors, partners, governments and all the involved stakeholders, REEEP was able to consolidate and follow up on work undertaken in previous years.

We look forward to seeing future impacts by relying on your continued support.