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ASEAN – EU Energy cooperation networking for private sector

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Background and objectives of the study

- ASEAN integration is based on collective actions which are consensus based, with up to now no legal binding instrument
- The ASEAN vision 2020 calls for "ASEAN Partnership in Dynamic Development" and specific to energy:
 - Interconnecting arrangements (pooling resources, cost reduction)
 - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy cooperation
- ASEAN Plan of Action for Energy Cooperation (APAEC):
 - Sustainable energy development
 - Enhancing the integration of the regional energy infrastructure
 - Promoting energy security
 - Progressive policies for market reform and liberalisation
 - Addressing environmental concerns



Background (2)

- On the institutional front:
 - There are a number of specialised intergovernmental bodies and arrangements – from AMEM to networks
 - The ASEAN Centre for Energy provides coordination and support and mobilises project funds
 - The ASEAN Secretariat has an energy team
 - The ASEAN Energy Business Forum : annual event during which AMEM and institutional organisations meet, and an energy business forum is held

However.....

Stronger involvement of the private sector is needed to meet the challenges of sustainable energy and environment in the region





Project Objectives

- Create a convening forum for the private sector:
the ASEAN Business Council for the Development of sustainable Energy and environment (ABCDE)
- To be the voice of the private sector working in close partnership with :
 - ❖ governments
 - ❖ existing regional organisations and networks
 - ❖ Existing national federations, associations, councils
- in order to:
 - ❖ Help improve the business environment for companies
 - ❖ Expand the ASEAN competitive position in the world.



Rational for EU – ASEAN collaboration

- Overall ASEAN and EU objectives are similar: Promote energy security, resilience of the economy, reducing cost of energy services, protecting local and global environment, increasing trade

Potential for a fertile ground of exchange

EU	ASEAN
Strong legal instruments and organisations	Consensus based collaboration
A strong regional implementation structure (EC), with a budget allocation	Existing: ASEC, ACE
Numerous and thriving regional organisations – mobilising utilities, research and private sector with a bottom up approach in dialogue	Structured institutional cooperation networks





Expected outputs of the meeting

- Address the concrete issues for the establishment of the ABCDE:
 - For its creation
 - Implementation
 - Operation
 - Sustainability

- Very ambitious and short time frame: kick off of ABCDE in December 2005
 - Produce and agree on list of activities and their time frame



Expected outputs of the meeting

- **At the KO meeting**
 - Background presentation on European structures and organisations
 - Background presentation on European programmes, policies and instruments
 - Background presentation on ASEAN structures and networks
 - ⇒ *Discussion on relevant points for ABCDE*
 - ⇒ *Main thrusts of the Master Plan*
 1. *Why is the ASEAN Business Council needed?*
 2. *What will it do? (B to B, lobbying, information, ...) – time horizon?*
 3. *How will be ASEAN Business council be structured – team, governance, membership*
 4. *Financial and anchoring*
 5. *Time frame and next steps for setting up the Council*





Expected outputs and next steps

- **Master Plan and Road Map elaboration**
 - First draft
 - Complete interviews of ASEAN organisations for needs' identification
 - Produce a draft master plan on the creation, implementation and operation of ABCDE, by September end
 - *Consultation meeting suggested in Manila, the week of October 9th. (Mobilise the ADB)*
 - Final draft
 - Develop the road map and refine the programmes and policies that can be mainstreamed from the EC.
 - Final Document submitted by November 24th
 - *Presentation and finalisation: proposed in Jakarta, December 7th and 8th*
 - Launching of ABCDE



Expected outputs and next steps

- **Network building and partner mobilisation**
 - for needs' identification and network building (till end Sept)
 - Complete interviews of ASEAN organisations – by phone - EM
 - Participate in AEBF in Vientiane end July
 - Partner mobilisation:
 - In country after the Manila interim meeting
 - Finalise core members and those of governing bodies by Mid Nov.





Key issues to answer on the 13th PM

- First level answers for the 5 points of the ABCDE Master Plan
(why, what, how, with what means, when?)
- Do we need a focal point per country? SOE? A mix? Country and sector chapters?
- Each participant to provide a list of national organisations and companies to be interviewed, who can potentially play a key role
- Dates and locations of next meetings



Key issues to answer on the 13th PM

	07	August	Septem	October	Novem	Decem
KO Meeting	x					
<i>Inception Report</i>	x					
1st draft of Master Plan				x		
Network building needs						
<i>Meeting in Manila</i>				x		
Road map development						
Partner mobilisation						
Final Draft					x	
<i>Meeting in Jakarta</i>						x
Report finalisation						





Overview of the Agenda



Thank you for your attention

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