SUSTAINABLE ENERGY WEEK 2023

BUILDING RESILIENT ENERGY SYSTEMS

11-15 SEPTEMBER 2023 | PALAIS DES NATIONS | GENEVA



Group of Experts on Renewable Energy Tenth session

Geneva (Palais des Nations, Tempus, 11-12 September 2023

Tentative timeline

Day 1 Monday, 11 September 2023, am

Time	Session
10h00-10h05	<u>Welcome</u>
	Mr. Dario Liguti, Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE
	Housekeeping
	Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, UNECE
10h05-10h10	1. Adoption of the agenda
	Mr. Kostiantyn Gura
	Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy
10h10-10h20	2. Opening remarks
	Mr. Kostiantyn Gura, Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy
10h20-10h40	3. Activities and priorities of the Committee on Sustainable Energy and matters for consideration by the
	Group of Experts
	Ms. Iva Brkic, Secretary, Committee on Sustainable Energy
10h40-13h00	4. Tracking progress in the uptake of renewable energy
	Documentation: ECE/ENERGY/GE.7/2022/3 – Renewable Energy Status Report 2022 - key findings
	ECE/ENERGY/GE.7/2023/3 - Status of implementation of renewable energy action plans across 17 ECE countries
	ECE/ENERGY/32/2023/INF.2 – Policy brief on advancing power system connectivity in support of SDG7
	ECE/ENERGY/32/2023/INF.3 – Policy brief on aligning critical raw materials development with sustainable development
	Moderator: Mr. Tibor Fisher, Vice-Chair of the Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, Director of the Renewable Energy Division, Dena
	Review of SDG7 at the High-level Political Forum:
	Setting the scene:
	 Mr. Minoru Takada, Energy and Climate Team Leader, and Head of the UN-Energy Secretariat, UN DESA and Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, UNECE
	Panel on how to boost the renewable energy uptake in the coming years:
	 Ms. Evelina Trutnevyte, University of Geneva, Renewable Energy Systems Ms. Naida Taso, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, Energy Community

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- Ms. Roberta Boscolo, Climate and Energy Lead, World Meteorological Organization
- Ms. Suriya Javanti, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, USA, Senior Fellow, Atlantic
- Mr. Chokan Laumulin, Professor, School of Natural and Social Sciences, The British-Kazakh Technical University, Vice-Chair Committee on Sustainable Energy.
- Mr. Jakhongir Movlanov, Director of "Center of Geoinnovation Technologies" and senior scientific researcher at University of Geological Sciences of Uzbekistan

Role of private sectors in increasing the uptake of renewable energy:

- Mr. Andreas Dreisiebner, CEO, Grow Solutions, Switzerland
- Ms. Selen Inal, Clean Energy & Green Transition Consultant / Regional Lead for UNECE, the UN Council of Engineers for the Energy Transition (CEET)
- Mr. Wolfram Zeitz, Executive Secretary, IECRE IEC System for Certification to standards relating to Equipment for use in RE Applications

Q&A and Open Discussion

Conclusions and Recommendations

13h00-15h00

Lunch

Day 1 (continued)

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15h00-17h00

5. Exchange of experiences on how to increase the uptake of renewable energy. Case studies on Ukraine: strategy and plans for energy sector renovation with the use of renewable energy sources.

Documentation: ECE/ENERGY/GE.7/2023/4 - Bioenergy production and potential for addressing the compound food and energy crisis in Ukraine

ECE/ENERGY/GE.7/2023/5 - Multi-stakeholder Dialogue: policy recommendations to support biofuels market development in Ukraine

Moderator: Mr. Kostiantyn Gura - Chair of the Group of Experts on Renewable Energy. Conservation Director, World Wide Fund for Nature in Ukraine

Opening remarks:

• Mr. Serhii Nahorniak, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine

Setting the scene:

 Ms. Irina Sotnyk, SWOT analysis of bioenergy development in Ukraine and recommendations for the post-war period."

Panel discussion:

- Ms. Olena Lenska, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, Director Renewable Energy
 Development Department, State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine,
- Mr. Oleksandr Riepkin, Member of the Board of the Ukrainian Hydrogen Council

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	 Mr. Denis Motorniy, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Ukraine Ms. Leila Urekenova, Programme Officer, UN Environment, Europe Office Ms. Nadejda Khamrakulova, Economic Affairs Officer, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE
17h00-18h00	Case studies from member States:
	 Mr. Adrian Bylyku, Vice-Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, and Mr. Artan Leskoviku, Director of RES, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, Albania Ms. Margalita Arabidze, Head of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Policy and Sustainable Development Department, Georgia Other interventions
	Q&A and Open Discussion
	Conclusions and Recommendations
18h00	End of day one

Day 2

Tuesday, 12 S	eptember 2023, am
10h00-12h00	6. Cross-cutting and inter-sectoral cooperation to integrate renewable energy into energy systems **Documentation:** ECE/ENERGY/2023/11 — United Nations Economic Commission for Europe *Platform on Resilient Energy Systems Work Plan
	ECE/ENERGY/2023/12 - Advanced Concept for the Platform on Resilient Energy Systems
	Low- and zero-carbon technologies interplay for increasing the renewable energy uptake Opening remarks
	Moderator: Mr. Dario Liguti, Director, Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE
	Setting the scene:
	 Ms. Aida Sitdikova, Director, Energy Eurasia, Middle East & Africa, Sustainable Infrastructure Group EBRD
	Panel discussion:
	Synergies between hydrogen and renewable energy
	 Mr. Ross Palmer, Associate Director covering renewables and green hydrogen projects, EBRD Mr. Laurent Antoni, Executive Director of the International Partnership for Hydrogen and fuel cells in the Economy (IPHE)
	 Mr. Andrei V. Tchouvelev, Director Safety and Regulatory, Hydrogen Council Mr. Kapil Narula, Senior Analyst, Breakthrough Agenda, Climate Champions Team Mr. Regis Conrad, Synfuels Americas, former Director for Advanced Energy and Hydrogen Systems Division, U.S. Department of Energy

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	Synergies between renewable energy and other technologies
	 Ms. Brianna Lazerwitz, Planning and Economic Studies Section (PESS), Department of Nuclear Energy, IAEA, tbc
	 Mr. King Lee, Head of Policy and Industry Engagement, World Nuclear Association
	 Mr Maher Chebbo, Regional Lead Europe, Council of Engineers for Energy Transition
	Just transition: moving towards new energy systems
	 Mr. Raymond Pilcher, Chair of the Group of Experts on CMM and Just Transition
	Mr. Artan Leskoviku, Director of RES, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy
	Increasing the uptake of renewables through grid interconnection
	Mr. Yin Bo Executive Director of Europe Office, GEIDCO - Global Inter
	Q&A and Open Discussion
12h00-13h00	Cross-cutting and inter-sectoral cooperation to integrate renewable energy into energy systems
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15h00-16h00 7. Implementation of the Work Plan of the Group of Experts for 2022-2023 and draft Work Plan of the Group of Experts for 2024-2025

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	ECE/ENERGY/2023/8 – Work Plan of the Group of Experts on Renewable Energy for 2024-2025
	Moderator: Mr. Kostiantyn Gura, Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy
	Panellists:
	 Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary of the Group of Experts on Renewable Energy Ms. Nadejda Khamrakulova, Project Officer, UNECE Mr. Laurence Green, dena (German Energy Agency) Other UNECE Programme Managers
	Report on Regional Advisory Services in the area of renewable energy
	Mr. Oleg Dzioubinski, Regional Advisor on Energy, UNECE Q&A and Open Discussion
	Conclusions and Recommendations
16h00-17h00	8. Election of officers
	In-person only; elections will be held in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the UNECE Committee on Sustainable Energy and the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Economic Commission for Europe Fifth revised edition
17h00-17h25	9. Other business
17h25-17h30	10. Dates of the next meeting Mr. Gianluca Sambucini, Secretary, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy, UNECE
17h30-18h00	11. Adoption of the report and close of the meeting
	Mr. Kostiantyn Gura, Chair, Group of Experts on Renewable Energy
18h00	End of day two End of session