

MEETING SUMMARY (DRAFT)

Meeting of the Multi-Stakeholder Technical Advisory Group on SDG7

Videoconference, 17 April 2018

In preparation for the launch Event of the Policy Briefs a videoconference was organised with the members of the Technical Advisory Group on SDG7, on 17 April 2018 at 11am NY Time. Mr. Hans Olav Ibrekk, the co-facilitator of the group kicked off the meeting by thanking the members for their hard work in putting together the 27 policy briefs in a very short time. He was very pleased with the final document, and conveyed the satisfaction of his delegation. He confirmed that this process has been noticed widely among member states.

Updates on the following topics were provided:

1) SDG7 Policy Briefs Launch:

- The Policy Briefs and the Summary for policymakers will be launched tomorrow 18 April 2018 at ECOSOC Chamber. During the launching ceremony, the publication "Accelerating SDG 7 achievement: Policy briefs in support of the first SDG7 review at the UN High-Level Political Forum 2018" will be submitted to ECOSOC president by the co-facilitators of the Technical Advisory Group on SDG7.
- After the ceremony, the report will be posted on DESA website, and disseminated through DESA social media network. Hard copies will be mailed to all Member States.
- Each policy Briefs will be made available separately as a stand-alone document for printing and distribution.

2) SDG7 tracking report:

• The SDG7 tracking report will be launched in Lisbon during SE4all forum (2-3 May 2018). The co-facilitator welcomed the hard work of the custodians and highlighted their effort in delivering jointly during this process.

3) Future engagements of the Group:

- SE4all forum in Lisbon (2-3 May),
- VEF (14-15 May),
- 9th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM9), Copenhagen, (23 May),
- EDD (6-7 June).

4) SDG7 review session during HLPF:

- SDG7 will be reviewed on Tuesday 10 July from 11 am to 1 pm. The Secretariat is working on finalizing the programme.
- Side events are very popular; all members are encouraged to apply.

The Group concluded the meeting with strong will to move forward. Building on positive feedbacks to-date on the work of SDG7 Technical Advisory Group, DESA intend to strengthen it, with a balanced composition. For further discussion, the members will meet in New York, during the first week of the High-Level Political Forum 2018.

The Agenda is attached in <u>Annex 1</u>. The list of participants is attached in <u>Annex 2</u>.

Annex 1: Draft Agenda Videoconference

Ad Hoc Advisory Group of Technical Experts on Sustainable Development Goal7

- i) final Policy Briefs/Summary compilation;
- ii) the launch event on 18th April;
- iii) update on SDG7 tracking report by the custodians;
- iv) way forward for the group;
- v) updates on the SDG7 review session at HLPF; and
- vi) upcoming events

Annex 2 - List of participants

Organisation	Name
Norway	Hans Olav Ibrekk (co-facilitator)
IEA	Hannah Daly
UNDP	Marcel Alers
Norway	Hans Olav Ibrekk
WB	Vivien Foster, Elisa Portale
IRENA	Rabia Ferroukhi, Emma Eberg
UNA China	Zhang Dan
FiA Foundation	Richard Clarke
UN OHRLLS	Rita Ruohonen
UNITAR	Thomas FohgrubAimee Jenks
UN ESCAP	Martin Niemetz
	Sasha Ramirez
	Laeke Cronmeback
UNDESA (ex officio)	Minoru Takada, Nadine Salame, Taylor Smith