

SDG 7 Technical Advisory Group Meeting

Oslo, Norway, 26-27 April 2022

Achieving SDG 7 is critical for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on climate change. The *Global Roadmap for Accelerated SDG 7 Action in Support of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement*, delivered by the UN Secretary-General as a forward-looking summary of the High-level Dialogue on Energy convened at the summit level in 2021 under the auspices of the UN General Assembly, charts the way forward with a set of priority actions with specific milestones toward 2025 and 2030. Recognising that achieving SDG 7 will catalyse action to combat climate change and attain many other SDGs, the Global Roadmap calls for realizing the potential of energy as a crucial enabler for the achievement of the SDGs and the objectives of the Paris Agreement. The importance and relevance of energy could not be overemphasised in times of the triple crises, i.e. the COVID-19, the Ukraine crisis, and the climate crisis, to ensure a more prosperous, equitable and sustainable future for people and the planet.

Against this backdrop, the main objective of this meeting of the SDG7 TAG will be to review the draft SDG7 Policy Briefs 2022. These Policy Briefs are intended to inform the High-level Political Forum and related intergovernmental discussions, including on the follow up to the High-level Dialogue on Energy, by providing substantive inputs prepared through inclusive multi-stakeholder consultations. This year's Briefs further discuss energy's interlinkages with other SDGs, with the objective to arrive at a set of solid indicators for these interlinkages, as well as the data required to assess progress on these indicators. This assessment will allow for the elaboration of concrete policy recommendations on the respective interlinkages. To establish a proof of concept, the 2022 Policy Briefs focus only on the interlinkages to some of those SDGs which will be discussed at the HLPF 2022: SDG 4 (education), SDG 5 (gender equality), and SDG 15 (life on land).

The development of these Policy Briefs is supported by an Expert Group on Energy's Interlinkages with other SDGs which brings together leading experts with relevant expertise on interlinkages to discuss and assess indicators to track progress, including data availability, as to enable a clear indication in the Policy Briefs of the most suitable and applicable indicators. The Group also supports the assessment of the current status according to these indicators and the elaboration of policy recommendations. This meeting will bring together the members of the SDG7 TAG with members of the Expert Group to discuss full drafts of the Policy Briefs 2022, based on the findings of the Group. The meeting will result in constructive feedback in support of the finalisation of the drafts to ensure that they include solid indicators, data, and recommendations.

SDG 7 is within reach, but we must act now. Energy Compacts are a key vehicle to translate the Global Roadmap into concrete actions and partnerships. Some 200 Energy Compacts with over US\$ 600 billion have already been committed by governments, businesses and civil society, but far more needs to be done. All stakeholders must step up to catalyse energy action for the achievement of the SDGs and net zero emissions.

Draft Programme

Tuesday, 26 April

- 12:30 Meet at MFA reception to receive badges
- 13:00-13:30 **Welcome and Introduction**
Host Government
Co-facilitators
- 13:30-14:15 **Implementing the Global Roadmap for Accelerated SDG7 Action in Support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change**
Presentation by the Secretariat, followed by open discussions
- 14:15-14:30 **Update on Tracking SDG7: The Energy Progress Report 2022**
SDG7 Indicator Custodians
- 14:30-15:00 *Coffee Break*
- 15:00-16:00 **Presentations of draft Policy Briefs on energy's interlinkages with SDG 4, 5 and 15.**
UNICEF, ENERGIA, FAO
- 16:00-17:15 **Discussions of the Policy Briefs on energy's interlinkages with SDGs 4, 5 and 15.**
- 17:15-17:30 **Day 1 Wrap Up and Day 2 programme**
Co-Facilitators and the Secretariat
- 19:00 *Dinner hosted by Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

Wednesday, 27 April

- 10:30-10:40 **Welcome**
Co-Facilitators
- 10:40-12:00 **Presentations/Updates/Discussions on Regional Policy Briefs**
UN Regional Commissions and UN OHRLLS
- 12:00-13:15 *Lunch Break*
- 13:15-14:00 **Presentations/Updates/Discussions on Regional Policy Briefs (continued, if needed given the time differences with virtual participants/speakers)**
UN Regional Commissions and UN OHRLLS
- 14:00-14:45 **Global Launch and Communications Plan**
The Secretariat
- 14:45-15:15 *Coffee Break*
- 15:15-15:30 **The Next Steps**

15:30-15:45

The Secretariat

Closing

Co-Facilitators