



## MEETING SUMMARY (DRAFT)

# 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ad Hoc Informal Multi-stakeholder Technical Group of Advisors on SDG7

19 March 2018, IEA, Paris

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The 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ad Hoc Informal Multi-stakeholder Technical Group of Advisors on SDG7 took place on 19 March 2018, hosted by the International Energy Agency (IEA) in Paris. Ms. Sheila Oparaocha of ENERGIA and Mr. Hans Olav Ibrekk of Norway, the co-facilitators, kicked off the meeting. The Agenda is attached in [Annex 1](#). The list of participants is attached in [Annex 2](#).

On behalf of the host, Dr. Fatih Birol, Executive Director of IEA, welcomed the group. Stressing the enormous progress across the globe towards achieving SDG7 and its targets, he assured that Energy Access will remain IEA's priority for years to come and the Agency is at DESA's disposal to support the great effort of the Ad-Hoc Informal Multi-stakeholder Technical Group of Advisors on SDG7. Mr. Dave Turk, acting Director for the Sustainable, Technology and Outlooks Directorate, IEA, highlighted the importance of the opportunity emerging from this group to do good in the world, by working together and building partnerships.

After the warm welcoming remarks from the host, Mr. Minoru Takada of UN DESA, on behalf of the secretariat, presented a follow up on the Global SDG7 Conference. In Bangkok, all stakeholders engaged in a dialogue that emphasized the integrated and cross-cutting nature of sustainable energy and its multiple roles in supporting the achievement of the SDGs. The conference consisted of 24 sessions, including 18 break-out thematic sessions and 2 special events, 28 Side events and 18 Exhibition booths. It was attended by about 500 people.

Mr. Takada also gave an update on the Policy Briefs and the Summary for Policy Makers. The group enthusiastically welcomed the compiled draft of the 27 SDG7 Policy Briefs and congratulated the Secretariat for coordinating the work of the members. The Group agreed that the Summary for Policy Makers should be succinct, concrete, bold and time bound. It should present a Global Agenda for Accelerated SDG 7 Action, a collective response to tackling the challenges of SDG 7 and creating a foundation for concerted action by governments and all relevant stakeholders. The Policy Briefs and Summary for Policy Makers will be launched in New York on 18 April 2018, during an event hosted by the co-chairs of the Group of Friends of Sustainable Energy.

The discussions were also centered around the following topics:

- The Ad-Hoc Technical Advisory Group on SDG7 will take a formal path after the launch of the Policy Briefs on 18 April in NY. The SDG7 Technical Advisory Group will be strategic, concrete, output-driven and time-bound. The Group will translate, as well, a global agenda for the accelerated SDG7 action into concrete plans of actions and global partnership. Secretariat will prepare Terms of Reference of the SDG7 Technical Advisory Group and will mobilize global multi-stakeholders to join the partnerships. The work of the group will go beyond the HLPF 2018, preparing for major future milestones including COP and the Secretary-General's Climate Summit in 2019.
- The Custodians of SDG7 indicators reported that they had a very constructive discussion in Bangkok, in which they confirmed agreements on 1) rebranding of the global tracking framework around SDG7 and 2) adopt the governance of the global tracking framework to

better reflect the custodianships roles under the UN processes on SDG7. They agreed on separating the vast existing partnership into two segments, a steering group comprising of the 5 custodian's agencies that will co-lead producing of the Global Tracking Framework report and an advisory group comprising of the other agencies that were long-standing partners on that project. These changes will be incorporated immediately for the 2018 report which will be launched on 2 May 2018 during Sustainable Energy for All Forum in Lisbon.

- A draft programme of HLPF 2018 was circulated during the meeting, pointing out that only 2 hours are allocated to SDG7 review on Tuesday 10 July. The Secretariat emphasized the importance of side events and encouraged the members to apply as soon as possible.

The group agreed on the follow up actions on:

- 1) Policy Briefs:
  - Members to provide final technical comments by 21 March.
  - Secretariat to finalize the compiled document by 30 March.
- 2) Summary for Policy Makers:
  - Secretariat to submit revised version by 22 March, incorporating written comments received by the group.
  - Members to send feedback by 26 March.
  - Secretariat to finalize final version by 30 March
- 3) Presentation slides – Key messages of Policy Briefs
  - Secretariat to share template of 2 slides by 26 March,
  - Members to provide inputs by 2 April,
  - Secretariat to copy/edit and formatting of slides by 7 April.
- 4) Launch of the SDG7 Policy Briefs
  - 18 April at UN HQs in New York.

**Annex 1: Draft Agenda**  
**The 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of**  
**Ad Hoc Advisory Group of Technical Experts on Sustainable Development Goal7**  
**Hosted by IEA at UIC-P, 19 March 2018 – Paris**

<b>Monday, 19 March 2018</b>	
<b>10:30 – 12:30</b>	<p><b>Co-Facilitators:</b> Sheila Oparaocha and Hans Olav Ibrekk</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fatih Birol, Executive Director, International Energy Agency</li> <li>▪ Dave Turk, Acting Director for the Sustainability, Technology and Outlooks Directorate, IEA</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. Adoption of Agenda</b></li> <li><b>3. Follow up on the Global SDG7 Conference in Bangkok</b> DESA and ESCAP</li> <li><b>4. Policy Briefs in support of SDG7 review at HLPF: Finalisation and production</b> DESA</li> <li><b>5. Summary for Policy Makers: Review of the first draft</b> DESA</li> <li><b>6. SDG7 progress monitoring</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Update on SDG7 Global Tracking Framework: World Bank and SDG7 Indicators Custodians</li> <li>▪ Update on SG’s Annual SDG Progress Report 2018: UNSD and SDG7 Indicators Custodians</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<b>12:30 - 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>13:30 – 15:15</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>7. Global Outreach: High-Level Briefing to UN Member States on SDG7 Policy Briefs/Summary for Policy Makers in support of HLPF 2018</b> Sherpas of the Group of Friends of Sustainable Energy and DESA</li> <li><b>8. Regional and Multi-stakeholder Outreach</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Regional Forums on Sustainable Development (ECE 1-2 March; ESCAP 28-30 March; ECLAC 18-20 April; ESCWA 24-26 April; ECA 2-4 May)</li> <li>▪ The second Asian and Pacific Energy Forum, ESCAP, 3 – 5 April</li> <li>▪ SE4All Forum, Lisbon, Portugal, 2 – 3 May</li> <li>▪ Vienna Energy Forum 2018, 14-16 May</li> <li>▪ SDG7 Workshop at Copenhagen (in the margins of Clean Energy Ministerial), 23 May</li> <li>▪ European Development Days, 5 - 6 June</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>9. High Level Political Forum 2018: Programme update</b> DESA</li> <li><b>10. Major Future Milestones</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ COP 24</li> <li>▪ Secretary-General’s Climate Summit 2019</li> <li>▪ Mid-Point Review of the UN Decade on Sustainable Energy for All 2014 – 2024</li> <li>▪ HLPF 2019 at Summit level</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<b>15:15 – 15:45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>15:45 – 17:00</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>11. SDG7 Technical Advisory Group: Potential role beyond HLPF 2018</b> DESA</li> <li><b>12. Information about next meeting</b> DESA</li> <li><b>13. Conclusions and Next Steps</b> Sheila Oparaocha and Hans Olav Ibrekk, Co-Facilitators</li> </ol>

## Annex 2 - List of participants

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Name</b>
IEA (Host)	Fatih Birol, Dave Turk, Laura Cozzi, Paolo Frankl, Roberta Quadrelli, Hannah Daly, Simone Landolina, Brian Motherway, Kathleen Gaffney, Olivia Chen
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