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Ms Pia Eberhardt Corporate Europe Observatory 26 rue d'Edimbourg, 1050 Brussels

Dear Madam,

Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2018/1920 - Points 2 and 3 (as per the provisions of Regulation 1049/2001)

We refer to your e-mail dated 03/04/2018 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 04/04/2018 under the above mentioned reference number.

We enclose a copy of the documents requested.

In what regards the working level meetings between DG DEVCO officials and representatives from the Energy Charter Secretariat (ECS), please be informed that no minutes are available as the scope of such meetings was mainly to update the Commission on the ECS activities in partner countries, especially on the ongoing assignments on Chad and Swaziland supported under the EU Technical Assistance Facility.

As of 1 July 2015, the automated email deletion rule became effective in DG DEVCO and therefore those emails which did not qualify for registration in the Commission's filing system are not anymore available. However, all relevant correspondence has been kept and filed and it is included in this set of documents.

Please note that some of the attached documents were received by the Commission from the Energy Charter Secretariat. They are disclosed for information only and cannot be re-used without the agreement of the originator, who holds a copyright on it. It does not reflect the position of the Commission and cannot be quoted as such.

Yours faithfully,

Felice Zaccheo

Head of Unit

List of documents:

- Presentation of DG DEVCO to the International Energy Charter Forum "Mobilizing Investments for a Sustainable Energy Future", 12 May 2017;
- Archived correspondence between DG DEVCO officials and representatives from the Energy Charter Treaty Secretariat (May 2017 April 2018).



EU instruments to create a stable environment to promote sustainable energy investments



- · Current situation
- · Vision and commitments
- · Instruments
- · Investments

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Facts & figures

Energy poverty



- 1.2 billion people without access to electricity (IEA, 2016)
- 3 billion people cook and heat their homes using open fires and simple stoves burning biomass (wood, animal dung and crop waste)

Over 4 million people die prematurely from illness attributable to the household air pollution from cooking with solid fuels (WHO, 2016).

Energy financing

- Annual requirement for the period from 2010 to 2030 to achieve the universal access to modern energy services and doubling the share of renewable energy in the global mix:

 \$50 billion for energy access (current spending is \$9 billion)

 \$442-650 billion for renewable energy (current baseline of \$258 billion).

 Except for Europe all regions need to increase investment to meet targets. The
- largest annual funding gap by far is in developing Asia.

 SS60 billion for energy efficiency (current spending is \$130 billion).

 (SE4All Advisory Board's Finance Committee Report on Scaling Up Finance for Sustainable Energy Investments, 2015)



Climate change



Global Vision



Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL) initiative –

Agenda for Change – 2011

UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development SDG7 - 2015

Paris Agreement 2016

COP22 Marrakech 2016

COP23 Bonn - 2017

G7 and G20 energy, climate and development groups

Goal: universal access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy by 2030





EU Vision

Increase access to renewable energy

Increase renewable energy generation capacity and energy efficiency

Contribute to the fight against climate change

- Council Decision on Climate and Energy 2014
- Council Conclusions on Energy and Development 2016
- New European Consensus for Development 2016
- Council Conclusions on Energy and Climate Diplomacies 2017



EU Core targets



- More than EUR 3.5 bn allocated for 2014-2020 to support partner countries all over the world in achieving the sustainable energy objectives (contributing towards enabling access to 40 mil. people via 6,5 GW of renewable energy, saving ≈ 15 million tons of CO₂e/year)
- Min. 20% of EU Budget to Climate Action: energy a core contributor to mitigating climate change.



Sustainable Energy and Climate Change 3 pillars of cooperation

> Political ownership of reform agenda

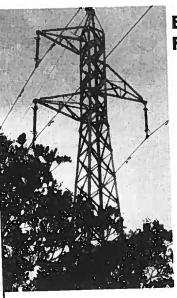
- 23 Joint Declarations (2 more under preparation: Vietnam and Guinea)
- Africa Renewable Energy Initiative (AREI)
- Contribution to National/Regional and Global Indicative Programmes

> Capacity building

 EU Technical Assistance Facility for Sustainable Energy (TAF) – supporting Reforms and regulatory frameworks

> Investments

- Blending facilities
- ElectriFI





EU Technical Assistance Facility for Sustainable Energy

- Covers all partner countries, provides high quality expertise and support in terms of:
 - > policy advice
 - > capacity building
 - > identification of projects
 - > mobilisation of funding
 - > technology transfer
- Supports crucial regulatory and policy reforms in partner countries' energy sectors
- Assists in the fine-tuning of policies to create a conducive environment for private sector investments



EU TAF support to promote the International Energy Charter in Africa

- In 2014 the Energy Charter Secretariat proposed to DEVCO a
 pilot project aiming to pave the way for a more comprehensive
 and multi-annual collaboration with African countries regarding
 the Energy Charter process.
- The scope of this project was to work together with the African countries to build capacity and promote the rule of law in the energy sector this being an essential pillar for boosting investments in the field.
- Support to Mauritania, Mozambique, Nigeria and Tanzania (first phase - closed) and Chad and Swaziland (second phase ongoing) has been mobilized under the EU TAF for SE4AII.



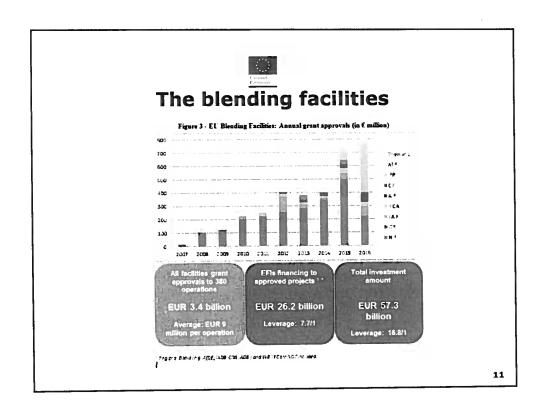
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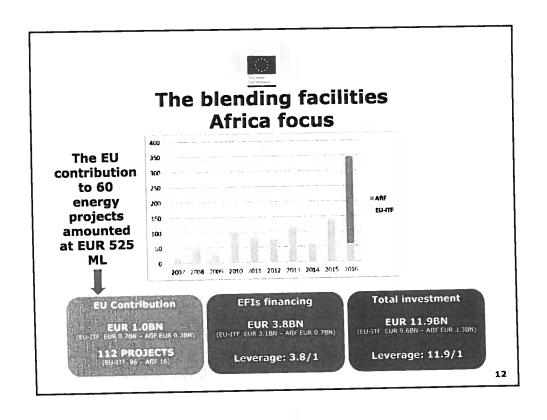


Chad, Mauritania, Swaziland and Tanzania have already signed the International Energy Charter.

Main activities of the project:

- Secondment of national delegates to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels to prepare reports on the country situation on renewable energy / energy efficiency;
- Promoting dialogue of ECS with national authorities to seek further engagement for on the contents and objectives of the ECT;
- Participation of the national officials in ECT meetings / conferences.
- InfoPoint lunchtime conference "A new International Energy Charter open to Africa" - 20 April 2017







The blending facilities ElectriFI-FMO www.electrifi.eu

Investment facility to increase access to renewable energy (mainly decentralised) with the **private sector sharing high-risk** in projects business plan with **loans.**

Ticket size: min. EUR 500k - max. EUR 10mln (Small- to medium-scale)

Product range: Equity, Quasi-equity, Debt and Development Finance

2016 1st Call > 290 applications received

 19 applications pre-selected (1 rejected, 5 cancelled, 4 preparing for Clearance in Principle, 2 approved - Haiti, India)

2017 2nd Call > 155 applications received

 evaluation is ongoing (65 project host countries, business models - IPP (state or municipal off-taker), Utility (Mini-/Micro-/Nano-Grids), SHS, Captive Power - Private off-taker, Mobile power unit, telco tower)



ElectriFI-FMO 1st and 2nd Call

1st Call (April 2016)

290 project proposals requesting EUR 800 M financial support to leverage total investments of EUR 8.5 Bn for installing 3.7 Gigawatts new renewable energy generation capacity in 55 countries.

2nd Call (February 2017)

150 project proposals requesting EUR 800 M financial support for installing approx. 7 Gigawatts new renewable energy generation capacity in 65 host countries.

Top Countries

1st Call (April 2016) 2nd Call (February 2017) Tanzania Kenya Nigeria Nigeria Madagascar Multi (Africa) Multi (Africa) Zambia Tanzania Senegal Uganda Morocco Zambia/Kenya Uganda / Ghana Rwanda/Benin

Top Business Models

IPP (state or municipal off-taker)
Utility (Mini- / Micro- / Nano-Grids)
Equipment (Distribution of SHS)
Other services
Power (Captive Power - Private off-taker)

Mobile Power unit Telco towers



From: Sent: To: Cc:	02 November 2017 16:00
Subject:	Chad workshop postponed
	N'Djamena is the request to postpone the workshop to possibly mid-January 2018. Please see I will keep you posted.
From: Sent: Thursday, Nove	ember 02, 2017 3:48 PM
	a date de l'Organisation de l'Atelier

Compte tenu de l'indisponibilité de la plupart des participants à l'altier d'appropriation des rapports

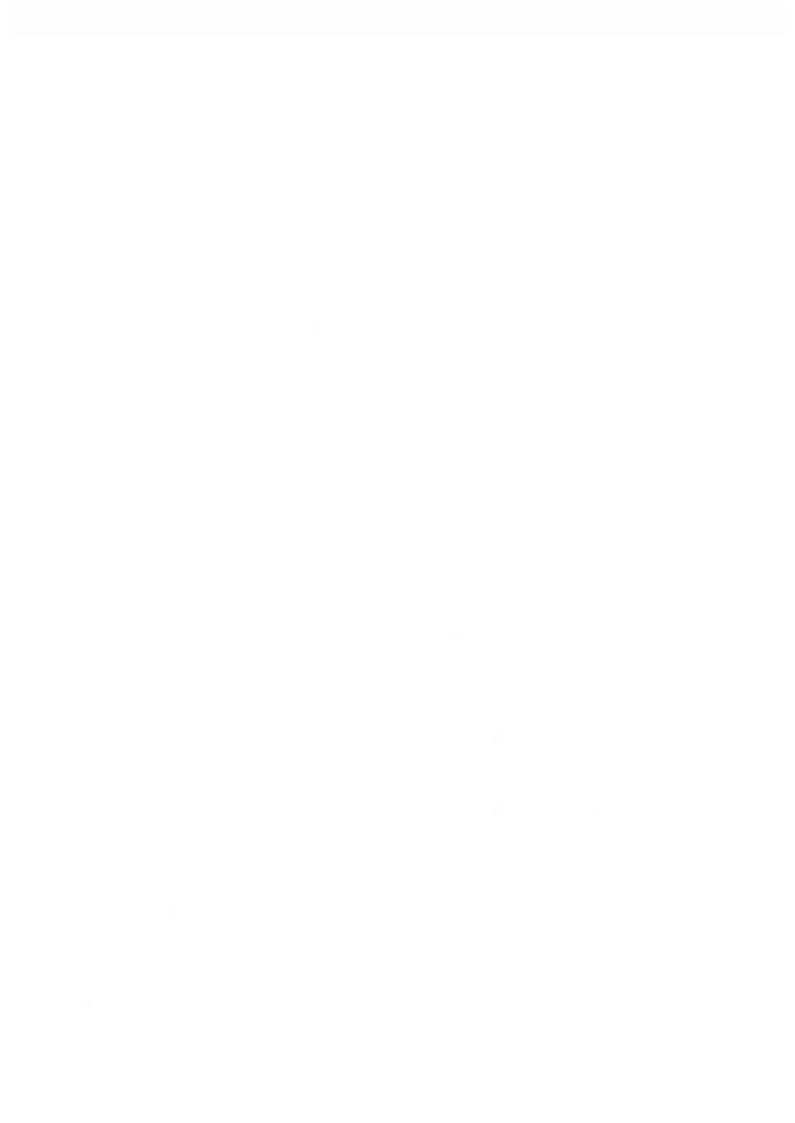
d'accession qui aura lieu le 04 au 05 Décembre 2017, nous avons trouvé qu'il est difficile d'organiser à ces dates prévues donc nous allons réfléchir ensemble pour arrêter une date vers le mi janvier si possible.

Merci

Bonjor

We cannot solve our problems with the same thinking we used when we created them.

[&]quot;Albert Einstein"



From: Sent: To: Cc:	19 May 2017 17:41
Subject:	East African Community
Dear	dear.
pictures an	y much for your invaluable contribution to the successful forum last week. Presentations, and a summary are now available at http://www.energycharter.org/what-we-do/events/brussels-nal-energy-charter-forum/
the collabo other Afric approached in energy in	Deputy-SG of the East African Community, is ready to scale-up oration with the International Energy Charter, as it appears from the email below. Likewise, the an member of your panel, the Permanent Secretary of the G5 Sahel Mr d me just before the forum with a similar request regarding technical assistance on investment infrastructure. The MoU signed between the Charter and the ECOWAS Regional Electricity Authority goes in the same direction.
I think an a	ppropriate reply may require a joint assessment on how to articulate assistance to those a terms of stable investment frameworks to pursue the goals on universal access and climate
Would it be	e possible to meet and exchange some ideas?
Many thanl	ks.
Regards,	
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To: Cc:	ples. 17 de mavo de 2017 12:20 Ogramme with East African Communit (EAC)
Dear	- (

I hope you are doing fine. I understand Hon . DSG PSS agreed with the team at the Charter in Brussels that EAC sends one person and 2 per Partner State to Brussels for one week. How can we get this done ASAP.

Your quick response will be highly appreciated.

Best

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Sent: jueves, 18 de enero de 2018 13:52

To:

Cc:

Subject: Report of ECS activities supported under the EU TAF

Dear !

I hope my message finds you well. I take this opportunity to wish you all the best for 2018.

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As discussed in previous occasion, in order to make an evaluation of the EU TAF support for the ECS activities, it is also expected that ECS provide the Commission with concrete / factual data on how joining the Energy Charter improves the investment environment and what has been the concrete impact, in terms of increased sustainable energy investments, in those countries where ECS activities have been supported under the EU TAF (including the pilot project), but also in other countries that have already joined the International Energy Charter (maximum half page per country).

We would very much appreciate receiving this information from both of you by 25 January 2018 cob.

Thank you in advance,

Best regards,

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From:

Sent:

11 May 2017 17:19

To:

Subject:

RE: ppt for tomorrow

Dear

Thanks very much. At 9am is perfect. Please bring your usb as back up.

Would it be possible to upload

ppt into our webpage after the forum?

Best regards,

From:

Sent: jueves, 11 de mayo de 2017 14:08

To:

Subject: ppt for tomorrow

Dear !

Please find attached the ppt will use tomorrow. Do we need to bring it also on an usb?

We intend to arrive tomorrow around 9. Is it ok?

Thank you,

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From:

Sent:

25 January 2018 19:08

To:

Cc:

Subject:

FW: Report of ECS activities supported under the EU TAF

Attachments:

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- ver 06 10.doc

Dear

With regard to the ongoing assignment with Chad:

- Activity 1 ToR. The three accession reports have been completed in French and translated into English.
- Activities 2 and 3 ToR. Both activities will be jointly implemented and consist of holding a workshop
 in N'Djamena as part of the validation process of the accession reports. The workshop, initially
 scheduled in December 2017, was postponed at the request of the ministry, which will
 communicate the new dates. The total budget allocated for these two activities amounts to €
 9,725.

With regard to the ongoing assignment with Swaziland:

- Activity 1. An expert from the ministry will start on 29 January a secondment at the Secretariat in Brussels. During one month, he will review and finalise the three accession reports. The cost of this activity amounts to the monthly subsistence allowance (€2,500) and the air ticket.
- Activity 2. A report on the development of a national energy efficiency policy was completed by an energy expert seconded for three months to the Secretariat in Brussels in 2017.
- Activity 3. The participation in a Brussels training programme could not take place.
- Activity 4. This activity covered the Minister's participation in the Tokyo Energy Charter Conference end of 2016. Attendance to the Ashgabat Conference in 2017 was covered by Turkmenistan.
- Activity 5. The stakeholders' consultation workshop took place in September 2017 in Swaziland.

The attached materials on Chad and Swaziland are quite heavy so I will send another email with further reporting on Energy Charter activities in Africa.

Thanks very much.

Best regards,



From:

Sent: viernes, 19 de enero de 2018 17:48

To: ' Cc:

Subject: RE: Report of ECS activities supported under the EU TAF

Dear

Thanks very much for your email. I wish you a happy new year full of energy.

To provide factual data on actual investment may go beyond our reach. UNCTAD and the OECD point out a dozen of factors triggering investment. The International Energy Charter is a benchmark to measure the political will to align national and regional policies with common standards on predictable, fair and transparent investment conditions. This opens the way to further high-level policy dialogue, technical assistance and stakeholders' engagement in the modernisation of investment frameworks and market regulatory reform.

African expressions of interest in concrete activities can be found in the attached letters from Uganda, The Gambia, Senegal and the East African Community, to mention the letters received this week. Hope some of these activities can be supported by the EU TAF.

I will come back to you next week with further reporting on how the International Energy Charter is a vehicle for political commitment and energy market reform. With 87 signatories to date, the International Energy Charter is a multilateral foundation for regulatory convergence to promote sustainable energy, bringing together the EU and the developing world.

Best regards



SPECIFIC TERMS OF REFERENCE

for

PROVIDING SUPPORT TO CHADIAN COOPERATION WITH THE ENERGY CHARTER SECRETARIAT

THROUGH ACTIVITIES AIMING AT PROMOTING INVESTMENT FRIENDLY REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT ON THE BASIS OF THE ENERGY CHARTER TREATY

- Assignment no 3-

1. BACKGROUND

The Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) is an internationally legally binding text providing clear and predictable rules in the areas of investments, trade and transit in energy and energy efficiency, while explicitly protecting national sovereignty over natural resources. The ECT is a unique international agreement in the energy sector which is legally enforceable and as such it contributes to enhance the rule of law and an international level playing field.

The ECT, adopted in 1994, was preceded by the European Energy Charter of 1991, a political declaration expressing the commitment of a signatory country to move towards an upgraded international legal system. The 1991 European Energy Charter was updated by the adoption of the 2015 International Energy Charter, which has been signed by more than 80 countries from all continents.

Accession to the ECT is achieved through the following steps:

- Signature of the 1991 European Energy Charter.
- Submission of Accession Reports by the Energy Charter Conference.
- Accession approval by the national government / parliament, and signature of the ECT.

Observer status to the ECT may be achieved by:

- Signature of the 2015 International Energy Charter.
- Signature of the 1991 Energy Charter Declaration.

The proposed support is designed to assist Chad in its accession path to the ECT by providing capacity building and political dialogue for energy policy reform in line with the contents and objectives of the ECT.

The ultimate goal is that Chad could share the same market-based principles and rules with the ECT constituency in general and EU countries in particular. This would be achieved with national accession to the ECT. However, this may be a long-term objective that needs substantial technical assistance and political engagement as well as to take into account the country readiness to commit to international principles and rules in the energy sector.

2. BACKGROUND ON THE ENERGY CHARTER ACTIVITY IN CHAD

In 2015 Chad signed the European Energy Charter and the International Energy Charter. On 18-19 July 2016, at the invitation of the Minister of Oil and Energy of Chad, '

the Energy Charter Secretariat conducted a seminar in N'Djamena. The seminar was attended by more than twenty-five participants from all relevant ministries, energy companies and stakeholders. In his opening remarks, the Secretary General of the Ministry,

, stated that the ECT enjoyed a political commitment at the highest level in the country.

The seminar was attended by regional organizations to which Chad is member such as G5 Sahel and CEEAC. Both organizations signed the International Energy Charter at the Tokyo Conference on 25-26 November 2016. During the mission to N'Djamena the Secretariat delegates also met officials from the *Agence Française du Development* and the EU Delegation. With more than ten countries and four regional organisations (EAC, ECOWAS, ECCAS¹ and G5 Sahel) among its signatories, the International Energy Charter is contributing to the extension of common principles on good governance of the energy sector, including investment protection, regional integration and universal access to sustainable energy, across the African continent.

Electricity Director of the Ministry of Oil and Energy, was seconded to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels for three months, from 15 August 2016 to 15 November 2016. During this period he started preparing the three accession reports on harmonisation of laws and regulations with the provisions of the ECT, energy efficiency, investment climate and market structure.

also participated in the energy training organised by the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels on Investment Dispute Resolution on 19-21 October 2016.

3. SPECIFIC ASSIGNMENT AND BUDGET

- 3.1 The "EU Technical Assistance Facility (TAF) for the "Sustainable Energy for All" Initiative (SE4All) Western and Central Africa" (Contract No 335152) has been chosen for this assignment as part of its scope described in 1.1, 2.3, 4.2 and 6.5 of the Terms of Reference.
- 3.2 The budget of the 335152 Contract is sufficient to cover the incidental expenditures for the activities proposed that are estimated to EUR22.401

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

4.1. Objectives

The overall objective of this assignment is to provide capacity building on the basis of the ECT and the International Energy Charter to Chad. This assignment is envisaged as the third phase of a project aiming to pave the way for a more comprehensive and multi-annual collaboration with African countries.

4.2. Methodology

Activity 1. To finalise the three Accession Reports for Chad

¹ The East African Community, the Economic Community for West African States, and the Economic Community of the Central African States.

Objectives

To finalise the three Accession Reports which have been prepared by a secondee from Chad. These include: (i) Report on Harmonisation of laws and Regulations with the provisions of the ECT; (ii) Report on Energy Efficiency; (iii) Report on Investment Climate and Market Structure. As soon as the three Accession Reports to the ECT for Chad are completed and after being translated from French to English by a professional translator, they will be submitted to the attention of the Energy Charter Conference.

Description of work

One national expert from Chad, will be invited to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels for a secondment period of 3 weeks, namely 1 week every 2 months, starting on 1 March 2017, during which the reports will be finalised.

was designated by his Minister in a letter addressed to the EU Delegation in N'Djamena on 14 November 2016. The reports will be the result of a joint effort of the national and the Secretariat's experts, in close contact with the national authorities, the EU delegation in N'Djamena and DG DEVCO in Brussels.

According to the Energy Charter Conference Decision (CC.146 of 15.11.1999), the three Accession Reports consist of an in-depth analysis relevant for the ECT and will have the following content:

- I. Harmonisation of laws and regulations with the provisions of the ECT, including inter alia constitutional provisions and legal systems in relation to international treaties, current situation of market reforms, membership to international economic and environmental organisations, customs unions of free trade areas, foreign trade regimes, non-tariff measures, export incentives, customs regulations, free trade zones, trade agreements, legislative framework for competition, state aid, pricing of energy materials, legislative framework for transit, access terms to transit, transfer of technology, access to capital discriminatory elements, regulation on foreign exchange transfers to nationals and foreigners, sovereignty over the natural resources, institutional framework of environmental aspects and taxation.
- II. Investment climate and exceptions to national treatment, including inter alia institutional structure and responsibility for energy policy, energy industry regulations, energy prices and taxation, energy supply and demand, energy efficiency policies and goals, market structures by sub-sectors: oil, gas, coal, electricity, nuclear power, renewable energy, monopolies and privatisation related with energy, general legislation related to investment, exceptions to national treatment.
- III. Energy efficiency, including inter alia existing energy efficiency policies, laws and regulations, energy price policies, energy efficiency measures implemented in various sectors (private sector initiatives, financial incentives, promotion of technologies, sectoral programmes).

Each of these reports will be presented to the authorities in Chad, to the EU Delegation and to the ECT constituency at the regular meetings of Investment Group and Trade and Transit Group.

Deliverables

- Finalisation of the three Accession Reports.
- Discussion of Accession Reports with the Government of Chad.

- Translation from French (official State language of Chad) to English of the three Accession Reports. Estimated volume is 36,000 words and estimated cost is EUR 5,040 (subcontracted to a professional translator).
- If possible at political level, signature of the ECT.

Expected results

- Raise awareness on the ECT at national level.
- Provide capacity building on the ECT relevant issues, such as investment, trade, transit and energy efficiency.
- Better understanding of the national legal framework and political engagement to attract foreign investments in the energy sector.

Activity 2-Participation of the Chad Secondee in a validation workshop and retreat with national authorities and relevant stakeholders to report on the programme, disseminate the results and seek further engagement and discussion

Objectives

Presentation and discussion of the Accession Reports amongst key ministries and stakeholders to facilitate validation and ownership of the Accession Reports by the relevant ministries with competence on ECT issues.

Description of work

After the Accession Reports for Chad are finalised and discussed within the Energy Charter Working Groups, , the Electricity Director of the Ministry of Oil, Energy and Renewable Energy Promotion will have one ad-hoc validation workshop and retreat with the national authorities to present and discuss the Accession Reports. The reports will be disseminated in advance to key ministries, relevant agencies, electricity companies and other stakeholders for their input.

The main focus and purpose of the retreat is to meet officials in charge of national energy policy and those responsible for accession procedures i.e. the Ministry of Oil, Energy and Renewable Energy Promotion, the Ministry of Planning, Economy and International Cooperation and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, amongst other key ministries, to assess and address issues in areas for which they have competence to take ownership of the reports for further implementation in the path to national adherence to the ECT.

The report on investment climate will be assessed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, African Integration and International Cooperation, and the Ministry of Industrial Development, Trade and Promotion of the Private Sector. The report on energy efficiency will be assessed by the Ministry of Oil, Energy and Renewable Energy Promotion, the Ministry of Industrial Development, Trade and Promotion of the Private Sector, the Ministry of Environment and Fisheries, and the National Electricity Company. Finally, the report on harmonisation of laws and regulation with the provisions of the ECT will be assessed by the Ministry of Justice, Seals Guard for Human Rights and the Ministry Environment and Fisheries.

Deliverables

One validation workshop and retreat with government officials.

Expected results

- To engage government officials in the contents of the Accession Reports so they actively participate and share the ownership of the Energy Charter Process in the country.
- To discuss, assess, and address the impact of the ECT on the relevant national policies and legislations.
- To consolidate and validate the Accession Reports amongst the government experts.

Activity 3 – Follow-up of the accession reports - Participation of ECS staff in discussions with the national authorities to seek further engagement and policy dialogue on the basis of the reports, to be held at a meeting in the capital or at a regional event, such as a meeting of the Economic Community of the Central African States (ECCAS).

Objectives

Facilitate national government to explore further steps towards the accession to the ECT and support to submitting the reports to the Energy Charter Conference. In the context of an ECCAS regional meeting, the policy dialogue will be extended to other ECCAS members taking advantage of Chad's commitment to international standards and common principles for the energy sector.

Description of work

After the validation workshop has taken place and the Accession Reports have been consolidated with input from the relevant ministries, the ECS experts will have an ad-hoc meeting with the Government of Chad to follow-up on the reports. The travel costs and per diems of ECS staff participating in these meetings will be covered in the interest of this assignment². The main focus is to address officials in charge of national energy policy to report on the present programme and seek further engagement in the path to national adherence to the ECT.

Deliverables

- One national or regional meeting to engage with the Government of Chad and approach other countries in the region.

Expected results

 To engage further in energy market reform according to the principles of the ECT and move forward in the accession procedures. To draw the interest of ECCAS countries to the common principles of the ECT.

²ECS will have to send a signed note by its administration to the TAF management ensuring that no mission costs will be covered by the ECS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES REQUESTED 3.

The services will be provided by the qualified personnel through payment of fees according to the contract.

The services requested are described below:

Activity 1 -Finalisation of the of Accession Reports to the ECT

- a) Booking and coverage of cost of flights to/from Brussels
- b) Visa support (if needed)
- c) Payment of per-diems

Activity 2- Follow-up of the Accession Reports in Chad - Participation of Chad secondee in a workshop/retreat with national authorities and stakeholders, to report on the programme, disseminate the results and seek further engagement.

- a) Coverage of transportation costs to workshop and retreat
- b) Payment of meals for approximately 20 delegates for 2 days
- c) Payment of meeting venue for approximately 20 delegates for 2 days

Activity 3 - Follow-up of the Accession Reports - Participation of ECS staff (including seconded expert) in regional meeting with national government to follow-up on the reports.

- a) Booking and coverage of cost of flights to/from Brussels
- b) Visa support (if needed)
- c) Payment of per-diems

TAF SUPPORT STAFF REQUIRED FOR THE ASSIGNMENT (EQUIVALENT TO NON-KEY EXPERT POSITIONS AS FORESEEN IN THE CONTRACT)

The coordination of this assignment should be made by TAF by appointing a Project Manager that will be responsible for the delivery of the services.

The Project Manager must have the following skills and experience: (NKE3)

- At least 3 years of professional experience in a consulting, management, event organisation or operational environment and in a multi-cultural environment.
- Excellent communication skills and computer skills
- Knowledge of procurement procedures supplies and services and of the relevant market.
- Experience in similar thematic (energy, development) is an asset.

The expert will ensure the correct application of the TAF contract rules as regards incidental expenditure, liaise with both experts/delegates and the ECS for all activities. The 5 days represent a total period of engagement that can be spread throughout the duration of the activities.

5. LOCATION AND DURATION

- 7.1. **Location**: The places of work are: Brussels for Activity No 1;N'Djamena, Chad for Activity No 2, and N'Djamena or other place in the ECCAS region for Activity No 3.(PM: The ECS will provide suitable space and IT equipment at their headquarters for the secondee to be able to work.)
- 7.2 **Duration**: The duration of this specific assignment will be until the last activity is implemented that is tentatively scheduled for final quarter of 2017.

7.3 Indicative calendar:

- March 2017–September 2017: Activity 1 Secondment of national delegate to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels from Chad.
- July 2017: Activity 2 Validation Workshop and Retreat in N'Djamena Chad
- July 2017: Activity 3- Meetings of ECS staff with national / regional authorities.

6. REPORTING

The ECS and Chad will be providing the reports material needed for this action.

All reports will be transmitted to the TAF, EUD and DEVCO C6.

7. OTHER INFORMATION

Contact point at DG DEVCO C6:

Contact point at DG DEVCO C6 for TAF:

Contact point at EU Delegation to Chad:

8. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The expert(s) will have to liaise with their respective Embassies and Consulates for any issues related to visas.

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DTAL		5

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Table 2 - Estimated Budget for incidental expenditures

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Activity 1 – Brussels secondment			
Secondee (1 person x 6 days x 3)	18	2323	4.176
Air fare (1 person return ticket x 3)	3	1.500	4.500
Translation from French to English of the	c.36,000	EUR 0.14	5.040
three accession reports to the Energy	words	(per word)	
Charter Treaty (ECT) – subcontracted to a			
professional translator			
Total activity 1			8.676
Activity 2 - Chad Workshop and Retreat		(0)	2.400
Transportation (20 persons x 2 days)	40	60	600
Meal (20 persons x 2 days)	40	15	
Meeting Venue (20 delegates - 2 days)	2	100	200
Total activity 2			3.200
Activity 3 - Meeting (Regional, including participation of the secondee)			
Air fare (3 persons from the Secretariat)	3	1.500	4.500
Per diem (3 persons x 3 days)	9	225	2.025
Total activity 3			6.525
			18.40
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Contingency for business flight tickets (to be used only if there is a need for business flights for activity 3 and recovered at	Z	2000	
cost)			22.40

³The receipt of the amount will be certified by signature by the secondee. The total amount received by the secondee for this mission from TAF and from their government or any other source should not exceed the value of approved per diems rates for the respective periods

⁽http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/procedures/implementation/per_diems/index_en.htm).

SPECIFIC TERMS OF REFERENCE

for

PROVIDING SUPPORT TO SWAZILAND IN COOPERATION WITH THE ENERGY CHARTER SECRETARIAT

THROUGH ACTIVITIES AIMING AT PROMOTING INVESTMENT FRIENDLY REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT ON THE BASIS OF THE ENERGY CHARTER TREATY

- Assignment no 2 -

1. BACKGROUND

The Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) is an internationally legally binding text providing clear and predictable rules in the areas of investments, trade and transit in energy and energy efficiency, while explicitly protecting national sovereignty over natural resources. The ECT is a unique international agreement in the energy sector which is legally enforceable and as such it contributes to enhance the rule of law and an international level playing field.

The ECT, adopted in 1994, was preceded by the European Energy Charter of 1991, a political declaration expressing the commitment of a signatory country to move towards an upgraded international legal system. The 1991 European Energy Charter was updated by the adoption of the 2015 International Energy Charter, which has been signed by more than 75 countries from all continents.

Accession to the ECT is achieved through the following steps:

- Signature of the 1991 European Energy Charter.
- Approval of Accession Reports by the Energy Charter Conference.
- Accession approval by the national government / parliament, and signature of the ECT.

Observer status to the ECT may be achieved by:

- Signature of the 2015 International Energy Charter.
- Signature of the 1991 Energy Charter Declaration.

The proposed support is designed to assist Swaziland in its accession path to the ECT by providing capacity building and political dialogue for energy policy reform in line with the contents and objectives of the ECT.

The ultimate goal is that Swaziland could share the same market-based principles and rules with the ECT constituency in general and EU countries in particular. This would be achieved with national accession to the ECT. However, this may be a long-term objective that needs substantial technical assistance and political engagement as well as to take into account the country readiness to commit to international principles and rules in the energy sector.

2. BACKGROUND ON THE ENERGY CHARTER ACTIVITY IN SWAZILAND

On 16 December 2015, the International Energy Charter was signed by Ambassador of Swaziland to Belgium. In this context and following further bilateral meetings, Swaziland confirmed its interest in the ECT and its willingness to participate in related capacity building activities.

The Energy Charter Secretary General met with H.E. Honourable Senator the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy during the margins of the "The Growing Economies Energy Forum" on 22-23 June 2016 in London. During the bilateral meeting, the Minister expressed the country's determination to move forward in the Energy Charter Process.

Following the country's interest, a civil servant from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Energy, was seconded to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels for three months, from 1 June to 31 August 2016. During this period she started preparing the three accession reports on harmonisation of laws and regulations with the provisions of the ECT, energy efficiency, investment climate and market structure.

On 17 June 2016, the Energy Charter Secretariat participated in Southern African Development Community (SADC) meeting of Senior Officials responsible for energy in Gaborone, Botswana. During the meeting, the International Energy Charter was presented to the 15 member states of SADC. In their conclusions, Tanzania and Swaziland, being observers to the Charter, were invited to share their experiences as observers to the International Energy Charter with other SADC member states. Senior Officials report to SADC Ministers responsible for energy to take note of these developments during their 35th Meeting on 21 June 2016, one day after their participation in the SADC Joint Energy and Water Ministerial Workshop.

3. SPECIFIC ASSIGNMENT AND BUDGET

- 3.1 The "EU Technical Assistance Facility (TAF) for the "Sustainable Energy for All" Initiative (SE4All) Western and Central Africa" (Contract No 335152) has been chosen for this assignment as part of its scope described in 1.1, 2.3, 4.2 and 6.5 of the Terms of Reference.
- **3.2** The budget of the 335152 Contract is sufficient to cover the incidental expenditures for the activities proposed that are estimated to EUR **36.559**.

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

4.1. Objectives

The overall objective of this assignment is to provide capacity building on the basis of the ECT to Swaziland. This assignment is envisaged as the second phase of a project aiming to pave the way for a more comprehensive and multi-annual collaboration with African countries.

The assignment also aims to strengthen the capacity and energy framework of Swaziland to be in line with the requirements of the International Energy Charter in particular by the Secretariat's experts assisting the development of an Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy based on the Energy Charter Protocol on Energy Efficiency.

4.2. Methodology

Activity 1. To finalise the three Accession Reports for Swaziland

Objectives

To finalise the three Accession Reports which have been prepared by a secondee from Swaziland. These include: (i) Report on Harmonisation of laws and Regulations with the provisions of the ECT; (ii) Report on Energy Efficiency for Swaziland; (iii) Report on Investment Climate and Market Structure. As soon as the three Accession Reports to the ECT for Swaziland can be completed, they will be submitted to the Energy Charter Conference for adoption.

Description of work

One national expert from Swaziland will be selected and will be invited to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels for a secondment period of 3 months during which the reports will be finalised. The selection of the expert to be seconded will be done by ECS in consultation with the EU Delegation. The confirmation of the expert should be done in writing by the national government. These reports will be the result of a joint effort of the national experts and the ECT experts and in constant contact with the national authorities.

According to the Energy Charter Conference Decision (CC.146 of 15.11.1999), the three Accession Reports consist of an in-depth analysis relevant for the ECT and will have the following content:

- I. Harmonisation of laws and regulations with the provisions of the Energy Charter Treaty, including inter alia constitutional provisions and legal systems in relation to international treaties, current situation of market reforms, membership to international economic and environmental organisations, customs unions of free trade areas, foreign trade regimes, non-tariff measures, export incentives, customs regulations, free trade zones, trade agreements, legislative framework for competition, state aid, pricing of energy materials, legislative framework for transit, access terms to transit, transfer of technology, access to capital discriminatory elements, regulation on foreign exchange transfers to nationals and foreigners, sovereignty over the natural resources, institutional framework of environmental aspects and taxation.
- II. Investment climate and exceptions to national treatment, including inter alia institutional structure and responsibility for energy policy, energy industry regulations, energy prices and taxation, energy supply and demand, energy efficiency policies and goals, market structures by sub-sectors: oil, gas, coal, electricity, nuclear power, renewable energy, monopolies and privatisation related with energy, general legislation related to investment, exceptions to national treatment.
- III. Energy efficiency, including inter alia existing energy efficiency policies, laws and regulations, energy price policies, energy efficiency measures implemented in various sectors (private sector initiatives, financial incentives, promotion of technologies, sectoral programmes).

Each of these reports will be presented to the authorities in Swaziland, to the EU Delegation and to the ECT constituency at the regular meetings of Investment Group and Trade and Transit Group.

Deliverables

- Finalisation of the three Accession Reports
- Discussion of Accession Reports with the government of Swaziland
- If possible at political level, signature of the Energy Charter Treaty.

Expected results

- Raise awareness on the ECT at national level.
- Provide capacity building on the ECT relevant issues, such as investment, trade, transit and energy efficiency.
- Better understanding of the national legal framework and political engagement to attract foreign investments in the energy sector.

Activity 2. Development of an Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy for Rural Areas based on the Energy Charter Protocol on Energy Efficiency

Objectives

To draft a country Energy Efficiency and Strategy.

Description of work

One national expert from Swaziland will be selected and will be invited to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels for a secondment period of 3 months during which the reports will be finalised. The selection of the expert to be seconded will be done by ECS in consultation with the EU Delegation. The confirmation of the expert should be done in writing by the national government. The secondment outcomes will be the result of a joint effort of the national expert and the ECT experts and in constant contact with the national authorities.

The work to be done includes preparing a country Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy to be presented to the government for adoption. The Policy and Strategy will be aimed at addressing issues of efficiency, micro finance/subsidy schemes for renewable energy standards and equipment labelling.

The Policy and Strategy will then be presented to EU delegation and Swaziland cabinet for approval.

Deliverables

- Preparation of Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy for Rural Areas
- Presentation and adoption of Policy and Strategy by government

Expected results

- Build capacity on Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy issues
- Provide capacity building on the ECT relevant issues, such as investment, trade, transit and energy efficiency as the official will be exposed to the operations of the ECT and attend expert group meetings
- Strengthening of the national policy framework and political engagement to attract foreign investments in the energy sector

Activity 3 —Participation of national delegates in the 3-day training on Investment Dispute Resolution organised by the ECS in Brussels

Objectives

Participation of 2 delegates from Swaziland in energy trainings organised by the ECS in Brussels, the first of which will be on 19-21 October 2016 and it is expected to be attended by a delegate from the capital. The second training will be attended by the secondee who will be in Brussels to carry out Activity 2 above.

Description of work

Training programmes for young professionals in the energy field are part of the activities of the Knowledge Centre established under the auspices of the Energy Charter Secretariat in 2013. The Trainings tuition fees normally paid by attendees will be waived by the ECS for the Swazi delegates

The training will focus on the practicalities of Investment Arbitration. This hands-on training and open discussion will guide participants through the main stages of a typical Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC) and the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) investment arbitration process in a very practical way. The training will also cover the complex area of determination of damages.

Upon completion of the training, participants will benefit from grasping a clear understanding, know how and skills necessary in order to help them face a typical investment arbitration process in a confident manner.

Deliverables

- Five core "knowledge streaming" learning modules offered over three days
- Instruction and top level expertise from up to a dozen international energy specialists.
- Simulation exercise modelling an investor-state dispute resolution process.
- International participants from across the Energy Charter member and observer constituency
- Dynamic and interactive professional learning environment at the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels
- Strong networking opportunities with international government, industry, regulators, EU officials, energy experts, etc. In total, around 30 participants will be expected
- Energy Charter Secretariat Knowledge Centre Certificate of Excellence upon completion.

Expected results

To assist target countries officials to better understand different approaches to energy matters while exposing them to the use of legal instruments, guaranteeing efficient investment protection, the practice of intergovernmental negotiations, industry methods, and other relevant approaches in the framework of the ECT.

Activity 4 – Participation of the Minister from Swaziland in the 27th Meeting of the Energy Charter Conference in Tokyo on 25 - 26 November 2016

Objective

Participation of the Minister and one official from Swaziland in the 27th Meeting of the Energy Charter Conference in Tokyo.

Description

The Energy Charter Conference will hold its 27th Meeting on 25-26 November 2016 in Tokyo under the Chairmanship of Japan and the kind invitation of the Chairman of the Energy Charter Conference, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Deliverables

- Participation of Swaziland in its first ever Energy Charter Annual Conference.

Expected results

- To take active part in the governing body of the ECT as an international benchmark for good governance of the energy sector.

Activity 5 – Follow-up of the Accession Reports - Participation of ECS staff in a workshop with national authorities and stakeholders to report on the programme, disseminate the results and seek further engagement

Objectives

Facilitate the national government to explore further steps towards the beginning of the accession to the ECT and support to submitting the reports to the Energy Charter Conference.

Description of work

After Accession Reports for Swaziland are finalised and discussed within the Energy Charter Working Groups, the ECS experts will have one ad-hoc workshop with the national government representatives to follow-up on the reports. The travel costs and per diems of ECS staff participating in these meetings will be covered in the interest of this assignment. The main focus is to meet officials in charge of national energy policy and those responsible for accession procedures i.e. the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and the Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs to report on the present programme and seek further engagement in the path to national adherence to the ECT.

Deliverables

- One workshop with the government of Swaziland.

Expected results

¹ ECS will have to send a signed note by its administration to the TAF management ensuring that no mission costs will be covered by the ECS

- To promote and facilitate a positive reaction to the Energy Charter and prepare the necessary further steps to become a member of the ECT.

3. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES REQUESTED

The services will be provided by the qualified personnel through payment of fees according to the contract.

The services requested are described below:

Activity 1 – Finalisation of the of Accession Reports to the ECT.

- a) Booking and coverage of cost of flights to/from Brussels
- b) Visa support (if needed)
- c) Pay monthly allowance (a lump-sum of EUR 2500/ month/ seconded expert will be applied instead of per diem)

Activity 2 – Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategy for Rural Areas.

- a) Booking and coverage of cost of flights to/from Brussels
- b) Visa support (if needed)
- c) Pay monthly allowance (a lump-sum of EUR 2500/ month/ seconded expert will be applied instead of per diem)

Activity 3 – Participation of national delegates in the 3-days training organised by the ECS in Brussels. One delegate nominated by the Swaziland will be the secondee already at the ECS in Brussels and the other will be an official coming from the capital.

- a) Cover the costs directly related to the participation of one representative from Swaziland.
 - i. Booking and coverage of cost of flights to/from Brussels
 - ii. Visa support (if needed).
 - iii. Per diems for one official (standard per-diems x 1 persons x 5 days).

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4. TAF SUPPORT STAFF REQUIRED FOR THE ASSIGNMENT (EQUIVALENT TO NON-KEY EXPERT POSITIONS AS FORESEEN IN THE CONTRACT)

The coordination of this assignment should be made by TAF by appointing a Project Manager that will be responsible for the delivery of the services.

The Project Manager must have the following skills and experience: (NKE3)

- At least 3 years of professional experience in a consulting, management, event organisation or operational environment and in a multi-cultural environment.
- Excellent communication skills and computer skills
- Knowledge of procurement procedures supplies and services and of the relevant market.
- Experience in similar thematic (energy, development) is an asset.

The expert will ensure the correct application of the TAF contract rules as regards incidental expenditure, liaise with both experts/delegates and the ECS for all activities. The 5 days represent a total period of engagement that can be spread throughout the duration of the activities.

5. LOCATION AND DURATION

- 7.1. Location: The places of work are: Brussels for activities No 1, 2 and 3; Tokyo, Japan, for activity No 4; and Mbabane, Swaziland for Activity No 5. (PM: The ECS will provide suitable space and IT equipment at their headquarters for the secondee to be able to work.)
- 7.2 **Duration**: The duration of this specific assignment will be until the last activity is implemented that is tentatively scheduled for second quarter of 2017.

7.3 Indicative calendar:

- October 2016 January 2017: Activity 1 Secondment of national delegate to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels from the Swaziland.
- April-June 2017: Activity 2 Secondment of national delegate to the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels from the Swaziland
- 19-21 October 2016: Activity 3 Participation of national delegates in ECS training in Brussels.
- 25-26 November 2016: Activity 4 Participation of Minister in the Energy Charter Annual Conference in Tokyo.
- Early 2017: Activity 5 Meetings of ECS staff with national authorities.

6. REPORTING

The ECS and Swaziland will be providing the reports material needed for this action.

All reports will be transmitted to the TAF, EUD and DEVCO C6.

7. OTHER INFORMATION

Contact point at DG DEVCO C6:

8. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Air fare (1 person return ticket)	1	1.500	1.500
Total activity 1			9.000
Activity 2 – Brussels secondment			
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Air fare (1 person return ticket)	1	1.500	1.500
Total activity 2			9.000

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Activity 3 – Brussels training			
Air fare (1 civil servant from Swaziland)	1	1.500	1.500
Per diem (1 person x 5 days)	5	232	1.160
Total activity 3			2.660
Activity 4 – Tokyo Conference			
Air fare (Minister and 1 officer)	2	2.000	4.000
Per diem (2 persons x 3 days)	6	224	1.344
Total activity 4			5.344
Activity 5 – Swaziland meetings			
Air fare (2 persons from the Secretariat)	2	1.500	3.000
Per diem (2 persons x 3 days)	6	155	930
Workshop Venue 25 delegates	1	500	500
Coffee break and lunch for 25 pax (only if	25	25	625
the venue charges separately for venue rental and catering)			
Printing of reports - 3 reports approx. 50pgs	150	10	1.500
Total activity 5			6.555
TOTAL	1		32.559
Contingency for business flight tickets (to	2	2000	4000
be used only if there is a need for business			
flights for activity 4 and recovered at			
cost)			36.559