

MEETING SUMMARY

UN-Energy Conference Call

17 December 2018

Representatives of the UN-Energy member and partner organizations at the technical level met via conference call on Monday, December 17, 2018. Mr Marcel Alers, and Mr George Hampton jointly chaired the meeting in their capacities as Sherpas for UN-Energy Co-Chairs, Mr Achim Steiner, Administrator of UNDP and Ms. Rachel Kyte, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All, respectively.

1- Introduction

- a. The meeting summary from the previous meeting on November 30, 2018 was adopted.
- b. Marcel Alers and George Hampton introduced the purpose of the call: to discuss the new versions of the two papers circulated a day before the call, one on “A New Vision for UN-Energy” and the other on “Collective Energy Action: UN-Energy Plan of Action 2019”, updated by the Co-Chairs’ Sherpas. They emphasized the iterative nature of the drafting process and apologized for the last minute circulation of the latest draft.

2- Discussion on revised vision paper and action plan for UN-Energy

The meeting participants welcomed progress on both papers. Main comments and issues raised during the meeting included the following:

- a. Given the universal relevance of SDG7, UN Energy should not only focus on developing countries. The importance of equity and inclusiveness should be better addressed throughout the documents.
- b. An edit was suggested in the annex of the vision document: “Complimentary support is needed from civil society, the private sector, *and international organizations*”.
- c. The importance of addressing the needs of Small Island Developing States (SIDS) was stressed, including a reference to on-going initiatives such as IRENA’s Lighthouses Initiative.
- d. A reference to the Greening the Blue initiative should be made in the Action Plan’s chapter on greening the UN system.

3- Conclusions and next steps:

- a. All participants were asked to send written suggestions to the two documents, most preferably before the holidays (i.e. preferably by 21 December).
- b. The next call at technical level will take place in early January (date/time to be circulated shortly).
- c. The next principals level meeting in the margins of the World Economic Forum in Davos is tentatively scheduled for January 23, 2019 12.30 - 1.30pm to discuss and hopefully adopt the vision paper and action plan. Sherpas were requested to inform the Secretariat of their Principals’ availability for the proposed meeting.
- d. Monthly regular calls at the technical level will be scheduled so participants can plan ahead.

Annex 1 - List of participants

	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Name</u>
1.	UNDP (co-chair)	Marcel Alers
2.	SRSB for Sustainable Energy for All (co-chair)	George Hampton
3	UNESCAP	Hongpeng Liu
4.	UNICEF	Amy Wickham
5.	UNIDO	Cassandra Pillay
6.	UNITAR	Thomas Fohgrub
7.	WB	Elisa Portale, Stephen Halloway
8.	CEB Secretariat	Federica Pietracci
9.	IRENA (Partner)	Ahmed Abdel-Latif, Martin Niemetz
10.	UN DESA (Secretariat)	Minoru Takada, Nadine Salame, David Koranyi