

Workshop: **Developing a Regional Renewable Energy Investment Pipeline**

Organizers: UN ESCWA and UNECE, under UNDA project, on “Promoting Renewable Energy Investments for Climate Change Mitigation and Sustainable Development”

Target group: RE project developers and relevant national & international RE stakeholders and experts, involved in the regions covered by both UN Regional Commissions

The objective of this regional workshop is to focus on providing knowledge on RE investment projects, which covers the technical aspects related to RE investment proposals, as well as the regulatory and policy requirements, that project developers and relevant country officials would need to deal with when attracting and implementing investments based on foreign or national capitals.

Project developers participating in this workshop will discuss their projects with relevant stakeholders and experts in order to finalize their proposals. They will also have the opportunity to explore potential financing avenues for their projects, and establish initial contacts with potential investors. The workshop will consider over fifteen RE projects from both UN ESCWA and UNECE Member Countries that would be the focus of the technical discussions. The workshop will also cover some related regulatory and institutional issues to help project developers deal with such matters when preparing for the implementation of their RE projects.

The regional workshop will also focus on the following topics:

- a- Presentation of the global technical-economic trends for RE technologies.
- b- Presentation of ESCWA and UNECE Project Development Portfolios, and panel discussions about the technical, regulatory and institutional issues that need to be addressed
- c- Presentation of the regulatory and policy requirements for promoting RE investments at the national level: Adopted frameworks in selected ESCWA and UNECE Member countries.

Guiding questions:

- *What are the impacts of the global technical-economic trends of RE technologies on RE investments in developing countries? How to consider these trends when promoting investments in RE in both ESCWA and UNECE Member countries?*
- *What are key regulatory & policy options that can promote RE investments in both ESCWA and UNECE Member countries?*
- *How can the project proposals developed in the RE portfolio for both ESCWA and UNECE regions evolve into bankable projects?*

Time	Content	Resource person
09.00-12.30	<p>DEVELOPMENT OF ESCWA RENEWABLE ENERGY INVESTMENT PIPELINE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the Project & Expected Outcomes from the Workshop - “Global Technical-Economic Trends for RE technologies, and relevance for developing countries” - Presentation of UN ESCWA Project Development Portfolio / panel discussion - Presentation of the IRENA Marketplace web platform - Developing RE investments in the absence/lack of adequate policy and regulatory environments - Regulatory and policy requirements for promoting RE investments at national level & adopted frameworks in selected Arab countries & outline of key regulatory and policy options / panel discussion 	<p>Speakers: Mr. Martin Hullin, Project Manager, REN21</p> <p>Henning Wuester, IRENA Mr. Nour Mousa, Desert Technologies Mr. Gorbuz Gonul, IRENA Moderators + panellists Participants + audience</p>
14.00-15.30	<p>Development of UNECE Renewable Energy Investment Pipeline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PPP on “Adopting international best practices to reduce project risk and secure the foreign investment required to achieve the transition to the Green Economy in Kazakhstan” - Development and implementation of advanced RE technologies in Czech Republic - Presentation of UNECE Project Development Portfolio / panel discussion 	<p>Speakers: Mr. John Woods Vice President “Minas Energy” Zdeněk ZBYTEK, Skoda Lubomír KOHOUT ETD Jan ŠÍP Mavel</p> <p>Mr. Deltcho Vitchev Moderators + panellists Participants + audience</p>