### Project title and project number:
**Strengthening capacity of the UNECE member States to achieve sustainable development goals.**

### Expected timing/duration:
November 2015-November 2017 (25 months)

### Objective and brief summary of the project:
This project aims to strengthen the capacity of UNECE member States to achieve sustainable development goals. The project will facilitate a high-level policy dialogue to support stakeholders in energy in the UNECE region and develop both an instrument for transparent, model-based analysis of pathways to sustainable energy and a system to provide early warning if achievement of the objectives is not on track. The project will culminate in a ministerial dialogue on how to attain sustainable energy in the region. The project will carry out under the Committee on Sustainable Energy (CSE). Implementing partners are member States, Regional Commissions, and the World Bank.

Activities comprise the following:
1. Two high-level dialogues at the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth sessions of the CSE;
2. Ministerial meeting on attainment of sustainable development goals in the UNECE region in Q3 2017;
3. Modelling exercises on alternative energy futures;
4. Preparation of a summary report;
5. An interactive workshop with modelling groups, experts, and interested member States;
6. A workshop on recommendations on how the UNECE region can achieve the objectives; and

### Expected results of the project:
- Improved understanding of member States of alternative pathways of transition to sustainable energy future;
- Improved policy making of the UNECE member States regarding sustainable energy development;
- Increased capacity of UNECE member States to develop and implement early warning indicators.

### Target group and beneficiaries of the project:
**Target groups** include partners and other international stakeholders, policy makers, the private sector, academic institutions and international organizations. **Beneficiaries** are all UNECE member States.

### Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work:
The CSE requested its Bureau to develop the scope, approach, and process for a project on pathways for the UNECE region to attain sustainable energy for further discussion at the twenty-fourth session on 18-20 November 2015. The proposed project will enhance the understanding of sustainable energy policy drivers in UNECE member States and will help attain the objectives of energy for sustainable development. The project is in line with UNECE’s Strategic Framework and the Sustainable Development Goals. In the draft outcome document of the 66th session of the organization, member States “request UNECE, in cooperation with other United Nations Regional Commissions and international organizations, to continue its work on policies and actions to facilitate the transition to a sustainable energy future”; “request UNECE to assist member States in the development of national sustainable energy action plans that promote affordable low net-carbon energy production, transportation and use and that contribute to global attainment of both the objectives of the SE4All initiative and the expected Sustainable Development Goals on energy and combatting climate change.”

### Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff):
D1: 1 work month, P5: 2 work months, 2 P3/4: 0.5 work month, JPO: 2 work months, G6: 1 work month.

### Estimated extra budgetary resources:
**US$720,000 (rounded)**

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### Approved by EXCOM:
**Date:**

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² The remaining amount is to be divided equally between the number of donors in this case 2.
³ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).