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## Economic Commission for Europe Committee on Sustainable Energy Expert Group on Resource Classification

### Third session

Geneva, 2-4 May 2012

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Adoption of the agenda

## Annotated provisional agenda for the third session

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,  
starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday 2 May 2012

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11. Use of the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009 for classifying injection projects.

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17. Adoption of the report of the meeting.

## **II. Annotations to the provisional agenda**

### **Item 1: Adoption of the agenda**

1. In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.
2. The documents for the session will be published in English, French and Russian and will be posted to the Official Document System of the United Nations<sup>1</sup> and the ECE Sustainable Energy Division website<sup>2</sup> as soon as they become available. A detailed timetable for the session will be posted to the Sustainable Energy Division website.

### **Item 2: Officers**

3. Officers were elected at the first session of the Expert Group on Resource Classification. The Bureau members will be reconfirmed and/or consideration will be given to any changes to the membership that may be needed and/or desired.
4. The Bureau of the Expert Group comprises a Chair and a number of Vice Chairs such that the full spectrum of stakeholders in the Expert Group is adequately represented, whilst at the same time giving due regard for balanced geographical representation. The stakeholders include: governments (both ECE and non-ECE member States), industry/business/private sector, organizations involved with financial reporting, organizations involved with producing international energy and minerals studies, professional societies and associations, and individual experts. It has been previously agreed that the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Oil and Gas Reserves Committee (SPE OGRC) and the Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards (CRIRSCO) each have one seat on the Bureau.

### **Item 3: Opening remarks from the Chair**

5. The Chair will deliver opening remarks, including the status of development of the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009 (UNFC–2009).

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1 <http://documents.un.org/>

2 <http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=25458>

**Item 4: Introduction of participants**

6. Participants will be invited to briefly introduce themselves in the form of a “tour de table”.

**Item 5: Activities and priorities of the Committee on Sustainable Energy and any matters for consideration by the Expert Group**

7. The secretariat will provide an overview of recent activities within the programme of work of the Committee on Sustainable Energy (ECE/ENERGY/87) following its twentieth session in November 2011, as well as proposals to consolidate ECE energy activities.

**Item 6: Review of the programme of work for 2011–2012**

8. The meeting will review progress on the action items in the programme of work set out in the report of the second session of the Expert Group (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2011/2, paragraph 63).

**Item 7: Specifications for the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009**

9. At the first session of the Expert Group it was agreed that the successor Specifications Task Force (Phase Two), established by and reporting to the Bureau, should consider all issues raised by stakeholders that are not currently addressed fully in the CRIRSCO Template and/or the SPE Petroleum Resource Management System (SPE-PRMS) and as contained in the final version of the Report “Stakeholder requirements for specifications for UNFC–2009”. A summary version of that report was prepared as an official document for the nineteenth session of the Committee on Sustainable Energy (ECE/ENERGY/2010/8).

10. As per the Programme of Work for 2011–2012, the Expert Group requested that the Specifications Task Force Phase Two continue its work to develop generic specifications for UNFC–2009 in close collaboration with CRIRSCO and SPE. The documentation to be prepared includes: draft generic specifications for UNFC–2009, a glossary of terms, an explanatory document outlining the basis for establishing specifications for the application of UNFC–2009, and bridging documents between the CRIRSCO Template and UNFC–2009 and between SPE-PRMS and UNFC–2009. Where possible, the documentation to be prepared by the Task Force was requested to be available for the third session.

11. The results of the work of the Specifications Task Force Phase Two will be presented to the Expert Group for consideration and review.

12. The Expert Group will review the documentation and presentations and agree on future action.

**Item 8: Case studies**

13. Case studies on UNFC–2009 will be discussed.

**Item 9: High-level mapping of the United Nations International Framework Classification for Reserves/Resources – Solid Fuels and Mineral Commodities of 1997 to the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009**

14. High-level mapping of the United Nations International Framework Classification for Reserves/Resources – Solid Fuels and Mineral Commodities of 1997 to UNFC–2009 will be discussed (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2012/3).

15. Other mapping issues that may arise will be discussed and any future action agreed upon.

**Item 10: Education and outreach and activities of the Communications Sub-Committee**

16. At the first session of the Expert Group it was agreed to establish a Communications Sub-Committee, which reports to Bureau. The Sub-Committee was tasked to develop and implement a communications and education strategy to ensure that opportunities to promote UNFC–2009 globally and to deliver a consistent message regarding its availability and application are maximized, including through conferences, workshops, articles and technical papers.

17. The current activities and future work plans of the Communications Sub-Committee will be presented to the Expert Group (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2012/4).

18. Events and workshops held in 2011 and 2012 to promote UNFC–2009 will be presented and discussed.

19. Any projects, articles and planned events in 2012 and 2013 to promote and/or test UNFC–2009 will be discussed.

**Item 11: Use of the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009 for classifying injection projects**

20. At the first session, the Expert Group agreed, subject to appropriate prioritization, that the Task Force on UNFC and Recipient Reservoirs – established by and reporting to the Bureau – should continue to develop its views on this potential use of UNFC2009 and identify additional key stakeholders who could provide critical analysis and feedback on the practicality of applying the classification for these types of projects.

21. The Task Force will present a report on its activities for review and discussion by the Expert Group.

**Item 12: Application of the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009 to nuclear fuel resources**

22. An update on the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to test and map UNFC–2009 to nuclear fuel resources (both uranium and thorium) will be presented, as well as future planned activities in this area.

23. Potential implications for the Expert Group will be discussed and agreement made on any future action.

**Item 13: Application of the United Nations Framework Classification for Fossil Energy and Mineral Reserves and Resources 2009 to renewable energy resources**

24. The potential application of UNFC-2009 to renewable energy resources, with particular emphasis on geothermal resources, will be discussed as well as any future work in this area.

**Item 14: Update on financial reporting**

25. An update on financial reporting issues of relevance to the Expert Group will be presented and discussed (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2012/5).

26. Potential implications for the Expert Group and its stakeholders on the issues discussed will be reviewed and agreement made on any future action.

**Item 15: Programme of work for 2012–2013**

27. The planned programme of work for 2012–2013 will be discussed and agreed upon. The programme of work for 2011–12 as contained in the report of the second session (ECE/ENERGY/GE.3/2011/2, paragraph 63) will be used as the basis for discussion.

**Item 16: Other business**

28. The Expert Group may discuss any other pertinent issues that arise before or during the session, and that fall within the scope of the terms of reference of the Expert Group. Delegations are encouraged to notify the secretariat and Chair in advance if they wish to raise any issues under this agenda item.

29. The dates for the fourth session of the Expert Group to be held in Geneva will be discussed.

**Item 17: Adoption of the report of the meeting**

30. The Expert Group will discuss and agree on the procedure for adopting the report of the meeting.

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