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Economic Commission for Europe**Committee on Sustainable Energy****Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Programme****Twenty-third session**

Geneva, 25 April 2012

Item 1 of the Provisional Agenda

Adoption of the Agenda**Annotated provisional agenda for the twenty-third session ***

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
opening on Wednesday 25 April 2012, at 10 a.m.

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Election of officers.
3. Recent developments in implementation of the Energy Efficiency 21 (EE21) Programme.
4. Projects completed in the seventh three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2009–2012).

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5. Projects proposed for continuation or inclusion in the eighth three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2012–2015).
6. Outcome of the Second International Energy Efficiency Forum and preparations for the Third International Sustainable Energy Forum.
7. Draft Programme Plan 2012–2015 for the Energy Efficiency 21 Programme.
8. Other business.
9. Conclusions and recommendations.
10. Dates of the next meeting.

II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda

1. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item of the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Item 2: Election of officers

2. At its twenty-second session in April 2011, the Steering Committee elected the Bureau as follows: Chair – Mark Hopkins (United Nations Foundation); Vice-Chairs – Zdravko Genchev (Bulgaria), Timur Ivanov (Russian Federation), and Milena Presutto (Italy). As the Bureau is elected for the period of two years, the Steering Committee may wish to reconfirm the members of the Bureau.

Item 3: Recent developments in implementation of the Energy Efficiency 21 (EE21) Programme

3. The secretariat will make a presentation on the recent developments in the implementation of the EE21 Programme.

Item 4: Projects completed in the seventh three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2009–2012)

4. The secretariat and members of the bureau will make presentations on the projects implementation of which has been completed or terminated during the seventh three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2009–2012). These projects include: The Regional Network for Efficient Use of Energy and Water Resources in South-East Europe; Energy efficiency market formation in South-East Europe; Removing barriers to energy efficiency improvements in the state sector in Belarus; Increasing energy efficiency for secure energy supplies; Development of the renewable energy sector in the Russian Federation and in the Commonwealth of Independent States countries: prospects for interregional cooperation; and Wood energy: Modern and sustainable heat and power from woody biomass in South-Eastern Europe.

Item 5: Projects proposed for continuation or inclusion in the eighth three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2012–2015)

5. The secretariat and members of the bureau will make presentations on the projects implementation of which will be continued or will begin during the eighth three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2012–2015). These projects include: 1) Financing Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Investments for Climate Change Mitigation (FEEI); 2) Global Energy Efficiency 21 (GEE21) - two sub-projects: a) Analysis of Advanced Technologies in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in the Framework of the Global Energy Efficiency 21 Project and Preparation of Recommendations on its Application with Special Emphasis on Central Asian Region and b) Promoting Energy Efficiency Investments for Climate Change Mitigation and Sustainable Development; 3) Enhancing Synergies in CIS National Programmes on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving for Greater Energy Security; 4) Mitigating Climate Change through Attracting Foreign Direct Investment in Advanced Fossil Fuel Technologies; 5) Buy Smart – green procurement for smart purchasing; Cooperative Project on Methane Capture and Use; 6) Enhancing and improving access to energy services through development of public-private renewable energy partnerships; and 7) Energy efficiency in housing: The Action Plan for Energy-efficient Housing in the UNECE Region. Delegates may wish to propose other projects for inclusion in the eighth three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2012–2015).

Item 6: Outcome of the Second International Energy Efficiency Forum and preparations for the Third International Sustainable Energy Forum

6. The secretariat will report on the outcome of the Second International Energy Efficiency Forum and the Workshop on Energy Efficiency Policy Frameworks and Investments in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Projects in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, 12–14 September 2011 and a side event Investments in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy: Ways to Make them Business-as-usual at the 7th Ministerial Conference "Environment for Europe" in Astana, Kazakhstan, 21–23 September 2011. The secretariat will also report on the current status of preparations for the Third International Sustainable Energy Forum tentatively scheduled to take place in Kyrgyzstan the week of 10–14 September 2012.

Item 7: Draft Programme Plan 2012–2015 for the Energy Efficiency 21 Programme

7. The secretariat will make a presentation of the draft Programme Plan for the eighth three-year phase of the EE21 Programme (2012–015), which the Steering Committee is invited to review and discuss. The Steering Committee is expected to approve the Programme Plan 2012–2015 for the Energy Efficiency 21 Programme with modifications resulting from the discussion.

Item 8: Other business

8. At the time the provisional agenda was prepared, there were no issues to be raised under this item.

Item 9: Conclusions and recommendations

9. The Chairperson of the Steering Committee and the secretariat will summarize the conclusions and recommendations of the session. The report of the meeting will be circulated after the meeting.

Item 10: Dates of the next meeting

10. The dates of the twenty-fourth session of the Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 21 Programme, which will take place in Geneva in 2013, will be announced at the end of the twenty-third session.
