

To: Members of the Bureau of the UNECE Expert Group on Resource Classification

From: David MacDonald and Hari Tulsidas

Meeting of the Bureau of the Expert Group on Resource Classification (EGRC)
Geneva, Switzerland – 27 April 2017
MINUTES

Present:

1. David MacDonald (Chair)
2. Tunde Arisekola (NGSA)
3. Karin Ask (Petroleum sector)
4. Rodrigo Chanes (European Commission) *representing* Anne Auffret
5. David Elliott (financial reporting sector)
6. Mucella Ersoy (Turkish Coal Enterprises)
7. Gioia Falcone (geothermal and academia)
8. Adrienne Hanly (IAEA)
9. Kjell Reidar Knudsen (Norwegian Petroleum Directorate)
10. Ulrich Kral (anthropogenic resources)
11. Jim Ross (petroleum sector)
12. Bernard Seiller (SPE)
13. Danny Trotman (financial reporting)
14. Dominique Salacz (SPEE)
15. Igor Shpurov (First Vice Chair, GKZ Russian Federation)
16. Brad Van Gosen (USGS)
17. Radislav Vukas (Serbia)
18. Hari Tulsidas (UNECE)
19. Charlotte Griffiths (UNECE)

Observer:

20. Jennifer McCoy (EY, financial reporting sector)

Apologies:

1. Fatih Birol (IEA)
2. Roger Dixon (CRIRSCO)
3. Adichat Surinkum (CCOP)
4. Narendra Verma (petroleum sector)

Draft Agenda

1. Approval of draft agenda
2. Bureau
3. EGRC Work plan 2017-2018
3. Conclusions and recommendations for EGRC Eighth Session
4. Geothermal specifications
5. Any other business

Item 1. Approval of Draft Agenda

1. The agenda was adopted without amendment.

Item 2. Bureau

2. The Chair congratulated the new Bureau members, Mr. Ulrich Kral (representing anthropogenic resources) and Mr. Dominique Salacz (SPEE) on their election on 26 April.

Item 3. EGRC work plan 2018–2019

3. The draft work plan for 2018-2019 was reviewed. Clarification was provided that it is not the task of the EGRC working groups as such to develop case studies unless required to explain new specifications or bridging documents. However, the case studies developed and submitted by various stakeholder groups can be reviewed by the concerned Working Groups. It was informed that a number of such case studies were being developed by various people on nuclear fuel resources and these are under review.

4. Some concerns were raised on the tight timelines for certain tasks. The Chair noted that definite timelines are necessary for the work plan, but taking note of the complex nature of some of the tasks if required interim reports could be issued instead of final draft documents.

5. The Chair noted that update of UNFC will be a major task in 2018-2019. Since UNFC has grown to encompass many energy and other sectors, as well as many bridging documents, are already developed or being developed, UNFC definitions need to be made more generic. The name change to United Nations Classification for Resources (UNFC) is a major step forward, and a new update to UNFC publications and documentation needs to be issued as early as possible to accommodate this change.

6. The Chair noted the other suggestions for minor changes and informed that these will be made in the draft work plan.

Item 3. Conclusions and recommendations for EGRC eighth session

7. The draft conclusions and recommendations for the eighth session were reviewed. The Chair noted that he would revise the draft conclusions based on some minor suggestions received. The revised text will be presented to the EGRC on 28 April for consideration.

Item 4. Any other business

8. No issues were raised.
