



EU-CENTRAL ASIA WORKING GROUP ON ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Workshop on access to IFIs investment in water, energy efficiency and waste management

23 – 24 November 2017, Almaty

RIXOS Hotel

MEETING AGENDA

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

- To identify practical ways to enable CA countries to improve the process of bankable projects preparation
- To discuss and identify key directions for action to catalyse investment through the Green Climate Fund
- To discuss and identify priority issues to maximize access by CA countries to IFIs investment in water, energy efficiency and waste management using EU IFCA support.
- To identify infrastructure related projects for each country in water, energy efficiency or waste management sectors for consideration by IFIs and presentation at the 7th meeting of the EU-CA Working Group Meeting on Environment and Climate Change in February 2018.

BACKGROUND

The Platform for Environment and Water Cooperation was established at the EU-CA High Level (Ministerial) Conference in Rome (Italy) in 2009. The major objective for the Platform is to constitute a framework for the implementation of the EU-CA Cooperation in water and environment based on the EU Strategy for Central Asia agreed by the CA states. The EU-CA WGECC assists in the identification of EU-CA regional cooperation priority actions on environment and climate change and supports the Platform by strengthening policy dialogue and cooperation at the regional level and between EU and CA. Six WGECC meetings have been held since 2010. The Italian Ministry of the Environment Land and Sea has been chairing the Working Group since its establishment in 2009.

The priority areas of the EU-CA Cooperation Platform are based on the Joint Declaration of the EU-CA High Level (Ministerial) Conference in Milan in October 2015 and reflected in the Action Plan, which was endorsed by the 5th meeting of the Working Group in December 2016. The Action Plan notably foresees maximising the access by the countries of Central Asia to international funds for climate resilient environment/water infrastructure, green finance and eco-innovation. This important topic was thoroughly discussed at the 6th meeting of the WGECC, which took place in Astana on 10-11 July 2017. This meeting was attended by representatives from the European Commission, EU Member States, relevant ministries of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, key international financial institutions (including EBRD, World Bank, ADB), Central Asia regional organisations, international organisations, NGOs and civil society. The meeting conclusions are highlighted in the Summary by the Chair (see <http://wecoop2.eu/events/6th-wgecc-meeting-astana>).

Day 1: Thursday, 23 November 2017	
09:00 – 09:30	Registration of participants
09:30 – 09:50	<p>Opening and welcome: Chair: Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan</p> <p>Welcome addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alessandra Fidanza, Italian Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea • Zhan Nurbekov, Ministry of Energy, Kazakhstan • Bakhtiyor Faiziev, EBRD • Kristin Laabs, KfW • Raphaël Joran, AFD • Giovanni Capannelli, ADB
09:50 – 10:00	<p>Introduction to the workshop objectives and agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan



Session 1: Improving the process of bankable projects preparation Chair: Emil Dankov, Project Officer, EU Delegation to Tajikistan	
10:00 – 11:15	<p>Presentation of Draft Investor Guide – purpose, expectations and next steps (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gilbert Ahamer, WECCOOP2 Key Expert <p>Panelists (comments, views, opinions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bakhtiyor Faiziev, EBRD - Kristin Laabs, KfW - Raphaël Joran, AFD - Assel Nurakhmetova, AIFC - Giovanni Capannelli, ADB - Sarah Barnat, EU Delegation to Kyrgyzstan <p>Open discussions and Q&A (moderated by Anatole Pichugin, WECCOOP2 Team Leader)</p>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee/tea break
11:30 – 12:45	<p>Presentation of Terms of Reference for Knowledge Centre Platform – purpose, expectations and next steps for completion of ToR and launch of Knowledge Centre (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gilbert Ahamer, WECCOOP2 Key Expert <p>Panelists (comments, views, opinions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zerza Samenova, Ministry of Energy, Kazakhstan - Natalia Alexeeva, UN Environment CA Sub-regional Office - Andre Fabian, CA Regional Environmental Programme, GIZ - Shakhboz Akhmetov, CAREC - Aigul Kussaliyeva, AIFC - Kenzhekhan Abuov, ADB <p>Open discussions and Q&A (moderated by Anatole Pichugin, WECCOOP2 Team Leader)</p>
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch break
Session 2: Key directions for action to catalyse investment through the Green Climate Fund Chair: Alessandra Fidanza, Sogesid S.p.A. - Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea	
14:00– 15:00	<p>Green Climate Fund supported projects in CA – current state of play, prospects and challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pre-recorded video presentation from GCF supported by slides (25 min) – Sujala Pant, Green Climate Fund <p>Panelists (comments, views, opinions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kristin Laabs, KfW - Mirlan Skakov, State Agency on Environment and Forestry, Kyrgyzstan - Firuza Nasyrova, Committee of Environmental Protection, Tajikistan - Tolegen Abdulgaziev, State Committee for Ecology and Nature Protection, Uzbekistan - Gulnara Yessentayeva, EBRD - Vadim Ni, EcoForum of NGOs <p>Open discussions and Q&A (moderated by Alessandra Fidanza, Sogesid S.p.A. - Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea)</p>
15:00 - 15:15	Coffee/tea break
Session 3: Priority issues and ways to maximize access by CA countries to investment in water, energy efficiency and waste management infrastructure Chair: Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan	



15:15 – 17:45	<p>Capital investment planning - lessons learnt from the OECD experience in water and municipal waste management sectors (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by Alexandre Martoussevich, OECD <p>Presentation about Investment Facility for Central Asia (IFCA) (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by Snejana Popova, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan <p>Presentation by AIFC on prospects for green project funding (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by Assel Nurakhmetova, Astana International Financial Centre <p>Q&A (moderated by Anatole Pichugin, WECOOP2 Team Leader)</p> <p>Private sector funding of environment, water and climate change investments (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by Timur Dzhankobaev, Business Advisor <p>Outlook and prospects for CA regional projects (10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by Marat Narbayev, Deputy Director of IFAS Kazakhstan <p>Panelists (comments, views, opinions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zhanar Gabdullina, Ministry of National Economy, Kazakhstan - Maksat Amiraev, State Agency of Architecture, Construction, Housing and Utility Services, Kyrgyzstan - Khusnidin Khusanov, Ministry of Municipal Services, Uzbekistan - Aizhan Ryskulova, KazWaste Association - Makka Shingaziyeva, Kazcentre Housing and Public Utilities <p>Open discussion and Q&A (moderated by Anatole Pichugin, WECOOP2 Team Leader)</p>
17:45 - 18:00	<p>Conclusion of Day 1: Concluding remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan
19:00 – 22:00	<p>Workshop dinner (RIXOS Hotel)</p>
<p>Day 2: Friday, 24 November 2017</p>	
<p>Session 4: Identification of projects in CA countries in water, energy efficiency or waste management sectors for consideration by IFIs and presentation at the 7th meeting of the EU-CA Working Group Meeting on Environment and Climate Change in February 2018. Chair: Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan</p>	
09:30 – 10:00	<p>Introduction to the format and expected outputs of country specific break-out sessions with IFIs to jointly define project concepts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snejana Popova, Project Officer, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan
10:00 – 16:30	<p>Country specific break-out sessions with IFIs (EBRD, EIB, ADB, KfW, AFD, WB, others): Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan (moderated by members of EU Delegations, WECOOP2 and CAREC Nexus project teams)</p> <p>➤ <i>The timing, the format and the expected outputs of the break-out sessions are summarised on the next page</i></p>
11:00 – 11:30	<p>Tea/Coffee Break. Press Conference</p>
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Lunch</p>
16:30 – 16:45	<p>Tea/Coffee Break</p>



16:45 – 17:30	<p>Plenary session: Presentations by the rapporteurs of the outputs from the break-out sessions for each CA country (moderated by Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zhan Nurbekov, Ministry of Energy, Kazakhstan, - Assel Begmatova, Ministry of Economy, Kyrgyzstan, - Emil Dankov, EU Delegation, Tajikistan, - Mergen Kepbanov, State Committee for Nature and Land Resources Protection, Turkmenistan - Tolegen Abdulgaziev, State Committee for Ecology and Nature Protection, Uzbekistan
17:30 -17:45	<p>Workshop close: Summary of the outcomes, next steps and final remarks Chair: Johannes Stenbaek Madsen, Head of Cooperation, EU Delegation to Kazakhstan</p>

COUNTRY SPECIFIC BREAK-OUT SESSIONS: Day 2: Friday, 24 November 2017

Country	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan
IFI session timing	Room: Diamond 5 Moderator: Snejana Popova	Room: Diamond 4 Moderators: Saltanat Zhakenova Sarah Barnat Fatima Boussaid	Room: Diamond 3 Moderator: Emil Dankov	Room: VIP next to the plenary sessions room Moderator: Zhanel Karina	Room: Diamond 2 Moderator: Anatole Pichugin
10:00 – 11:00	<i>EBRD</i>	<i>KfW</i>	<i>EIB</i>	<i>ADB</i>	<i>AFD</i>
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>				
11:30 – 12:30	<i>KfW</i>	<i>EIB</i>	<i>ADB</i>	-----	<i>EBRD</i>
12:30 – 13:30	<i>EIB</i>	<i>ADB</i>	-----	<i>EBRD</i>	<i>KfW</i>
13:30 - 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>				
14:30 – 15:30	<i>ADB</i>	-----	<i>EBRD</i>	<i>KfW</i>	<i>EIB</i>
15:30 – 16:30	<i>AFD</i>	<i>EBRD</i>	<i>KfW</i>	<i>EIB</i>	<i>ADB</i>

THE FORMAT AND EXPECTED OUTPUTS FOR EACH COUNTRY SPECIFIC SESSION

1. Each country specific session starts with a brief presentation by IFI of the existing project pipeline or current ideas **(15 min approx.)**
2. After the above presentation by IFI the country representatives provide feedback on the ideas/pipeline presented by IFI with particular focus on the following **(30 min approx.):**
 - 2.1 In what way, if any, the presented project pipeline/ideas could be adjusted to better serve the needs of the countries
 - 2.2 What other projects, *including regional projects*, the IFIs should consider to meet the needs of the country
 - 2.3 What other sources of funding can realistically be considered (private sector? Governments? Green Climate Fund? others?)
3. After that IFI provide their view on the above feedback from the country representatives **(15 min approx.)**

The expected output from each country specific session is a one page written summary of points 1; 2.1; 2.2; 2.3 and 3 (sessions to be provided with flipcharts)

Presentations of the outputs from the break-out sessions for each CA country are to be given in the course of the Plenary session from 16:45 to 17:30 by the identified rapporteurs.

