

JN organization	Energy-related programmes and activities	Funding and Operation	Coordination of Activities
<p>Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) ouqan.escwa@un.org</p>	<p>http://www.escwa.org.lb/</p> <p>I. <u>ESCWA's Policies and mandates</u></p> <p>Providing support to countries in the region in energy development and supply, issues, promoting the use of sustainable energy trends including new and renewable sources of energy, energy conservation and efficiency as well as the relevant environmental standard, and promoting regional cooperation in the different energy fields, analysis and evaluation of the privatization trends in the region as relevant to the energy sector.</p> <p>II. <u>Overview of Programmes and Activities</u></p> <p>ESCWA's programmes are mainly directed towards;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparing studies on energy situation and trends in the region and the impact of the different energy subsectors on the environment. It put emphasis on monitoring, analyzing developments in the Renewable Energy (RE) technologies, promoting its application and strengthening the regional cooperation in this area, preparing studies, dissemination of relevant information, organizing EGM's and workshops on energy exploration, renewable sources of energy and energy for sustainable development - ESCWA is providing technical assistance in different energy fields, establishing and activating a mechanism for promoting RE to foster regional cooperation in the field, formulating proposals for RE field projects at the regional level both on small and large scales. - Preparing studies on the technical and economic aspects of the establishment of a regional electricity network and prospects for interregional cooperation in this field and organizing expert group meetings on the subject in addition to preparing studies on the impact of privatization of power generation in the region. - Promoting a regional approach for efficient use of energy, with emphasis on building, industrial and transport sectors. - Assessment and analysis of measures and technologies for Green House Gases (GHG) abatement in the transport and electric power sectors. - Assessment and evaluation of energy supply options for water desalination - Studies of the ESCWA energy sector environmental impacts and relevant available standards as well as possible standards harmonization and means for strengthening MS capacity to incorporate environmental issues into energy policies and planning methodologies - Assessment and analysis of the energy sector (power and gas) development within the economic reform policies. 		