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Partnering towards energy efficiency and cleaner industrial development

Vice-Chair of CSD-14 Adrian Fernández Bremauntz opened the discussion by noting that 35% of registered partnerships working in the area of energy for sustainable development identify energy efficiency as one of the specific areas that they are active in. He spoke of the contributions partnerships are making in this area by promoting development of sustainable energy industries and facilitating exchanges of experience and knowledge between regulators, manufacturers and vendors. Mr. Fernández mentioned that some initiatives are also focusing on promoting market-based mechanisms such as energy efficiency trading schemes, which can create incentives investment in energy efficiency technologies.

Mirka della Cava from the Collaborative Labeling and Appliance Standards Program (CLASP) highlighted the partnership's aim to serve as the primary international voice and resource

for energy efficiency standards and labeling (S&L) worldwide. She reported that CLASP has worked in 19 countries and supported regional S&L projects in 30 additional countries. Since its inception in 1999, CLASP has assisted with establishing 21 energy labels.

“Standards & labeling is one of the most cost effective policies available to reduce GHG emissions”

Ms. della Cava stressed that the introduction of S&L is one of the most cost effective policies available to generate reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. She impressed that the

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Check out the Partnerships Fair webpage!



If you missed any of the Partnerships Fair presentations during the past week, you can access copies of the PowerPoint presentations, speaker bios, and informational materials circulated by the 23 partnerships who presented recent developments in their activities via the Partnerships Fair webpage.

Archives of this publication (the

Partnerships Wire) along with other informational materials related to the Partnerships Fair will also be available for download from this site. If you would like to contact any of the presenters who participated in the Partnerships Fair, please contact the Partnerships Team for assistance.

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(Left to right) Marlis Kees (GTZ), Eva Rehfues (WHO), and John Mitchell (USEPA)

PCIA was launched at the WSSD, by four partner organizations. Today, the initiative has over 120 partners from the public and private sector, working in a total of 67 countries. The partnership's goal is to increase the use of clean, reliable, affordable, efficient, and safe home cooking and heating practices that reduce exposure to indoor air pollution.

Eva Rehfues (WHO) pointed out that cooking and heating with stoves using

The Partnership for Clean Indoor Air (PCIA)

solid fuels such as dung, leads to high levels of indoor smoke which causes health problems, such as respiratory diseases. Ms. Rehfues highlighted the results of the WHO Risk Assessment which found that the health impact from indoor air pollution leads to a 1.5 million deaths a year, mainly among women and children living in the poorest countries.

Marlis Kees (GTZ) spoke about GTZ's efforts in promoting energy efficient and clean cooking technologies. She stressed

the need for improved stoves which are convenient, modern, clean and affordable. Ms. Kees noted that wood fuels stoves would continue to be widely used, but that there was scope to make wood burning stoves cleaner. She presented the example of the 'Rocket' stove, a clean and efficient fuel-wood stove developed in Latin America, now being used in Africa as well.

John Mitchell (USEPA) impressed the need to improve the lives of more than 3 billion people affected by indoor air pollution from household energy use, and presented the target of needing to reach more than 450,000 people per day, every day, between now and 2015.

“Improving health, livelihood, and quality of life through reduced exposure to air pollution”

The Partnership for Clean Indoor Air presentation took place at the CSD-14 Partnerships Fair on 2 May 2006 from 10:00 - 10:40 am

Intergovernmental forum on mining, minerals, metal and sustainable development

The partnership was originally initiated as a global dialogue which lasted for 2 years, involving 50 countries. The Intergovernmental Forum was established in February 2005, as a voluntary, advisory (non legally binding) body. It has 24 member countries and supporters include UNCTAD, UNDESA, WB, DFID (UK) and Canada, which agreed to host the Forum for the first five years. Canada was also elected as Chair of the Executive Committee of the Forum, while the Vice Chairs are Ethiopia, Suriname, Russia and the Philippines.

“Economic development is needed if developing countries are to sustainably alleviate poverty”

The main objective of the Forum is to promote the contribution of mining to sustainable development in line with the priorities of the mining section of JPOI.

André Bourassa from the Forum secretariat, based in Natural Resources Canada pointed out that many developing countries have competitive quality natural resources, particularly mineral resources, and that these resources cannot be ignored in a development strategy. He stressed that the key issue is not whether these resources should be developed, but rather to ensure that they are used in a sustainable manner. Using the example of the Canadian mining sector, he pointed out that the necessary element for sustainable development in this sector was the capacity to exercise good governance over the management of these resources.

Mr. Bourassa also outlined the current



André Bourassa, Forum Secretariat

work program of the Forum which focuses on three main areas: national mining policy framework; equitable distribution of benefits and mine closure and financial surety.

The Intergovernmental forum presentation took place at the CSD-14 Partnerships Fair on 2 May 2006 from 10:45 - 11:25 am



(Left to right) Erin Birgfeld (USEPA), Brian McLean (USEPA), Horacio Terraza (World Bank) and Sharon Lee Smith (Environment Canada)

The M2M partnership advances recovery and use of methane as a clean energy source by encouraging development of cost-effective methane recovery and use opportunities in coal mines, landfills, oil and gas systems and agriculture (manure waste management). The partnership includes 17 partner countries and 250 Project Network organizations from private sector, development banks, NGOs and other governmental and non-governmental organizations with an interest in methane recovery and use.

Brian McLean (USEPA) gave a brief overview of the initiative, stressing the

Methane to Markets (M2M) partnership

action oriented aspect of the initiative. He outlined the partnership's key strategies of identifying cost-effective opportunities, removing legal and financial barriers, and conducting training and technical exchange.

John Gehring (Caterpillar Inc.) presented the example of an anthracite coal mine project in China, in which mine and coal-bed methane will be captured through a 120 MW methane-based power plant.

Arden Berg (Alberta Energy and Utilities

Board) shared his organization's experiences in gas flaring reduction and methane capture. He reported that gas flaring in Alberta has been reduced by 72%, largely due to the regulatory environment and the multi-stakeholder approach adopted.

Horacio Terraza (World Bank) highlighted ongoing efforts to reduce methane at landfills and generate energy. He described how countries can sell the emissions reductions and use the proceeds for solid waste management. Mr. Terraza also mentioned that the Bank currently has pilot projects in 10 developing countries, where they are negotiating the carbon trading terms, and deciding how to use the funds for investment.

The Methane to Markets partnership presentation took place at the CSD-14 Partnerships Fair on 2 May 2006 from 12:15 - 1:00 pm

“Delivering measurable, near-term climate protection through effective, voluntary action”

Sustainable Cities Initiative (SCI)

The SCI partnership promotes sustainable urban development, facilitates partnerships, shares and promote Canadian expertise and focuses on involving the private sector. The initiative is currently working in 16 cities in the developing world with half of their projects concentrated in Latin America.

Alain Beaudoin (Industry Canada) highlighted SCI's participatory approach.

SCI brings together groups of city officials, local stakeholders, and Canadian public and private organizations interested in implementing sustainable development projects. These stakeholders then develop an Integrated Roadmap for Urban Sustainable Development which sets sector priorities, generates ideas and provides a long term strategic vision and framework to address complex problems generated by rapid urbanization.

Michael Snow (Golder Associates) shared his experiences with a SCI project in the city of Matamoros, Mexico. He listed the key benefits gained by participating in SCI: help in identifying municipal partners, a clear mission statement from the Roadmap process, government sponsor credibility and the availability to seed funding to facilitate the initial project development.

Mr. Snow presented an overview of the Matamoros project where the city had both waste management and energy needs. SCI took an integrated approach to the project, which resulted in the creation of a Green Energy Facility which generates electricity from dumpsite wastes such as tires and wood; captures landfill gases; and includes development of a wind farm.

The Matamoros project has the overall potential to generate more than 20 MW

“Responding to the development needs of growing cities around the world”

of electricity; other benefits include an overall reduction in GHG emissions, opportunities for job-creation and an overall savings in electricity costs by the city, of over \$4 million per year.

The Sustainable Cities Initiative (SCI) presentation took place at the CSD-14 Partnerships Fair on 2 May 2006 from 4:30 - 5:10 pm

International Law for Sustainable Development (ILSD) Partnership

The ILSD partnership aims to strengthen sustainable development governance at the international, regional and national levels, laying the foundation for policy implementation by facilitating access to, compliance with, and enforcement of coherent, integrated economic, social and environmental law.

Sebastien Jodoin (CISDL) outlined the partnership's activities in the areas of research and capacity-building activities which have led to a wide range of resources and tools related to international law for sustainable development. The partnership is working to develop a user-friendly web-based legal resource centre and network; carrying out legal research and experts workshops; developing a series of legal briefs and capacity building manuals and hosting dialogues on international sustainable development law (ISDL).

He pointed out that the information

services provided by the initiative are geared to lawyers, law professors and students, judiciaries, and to non-lawyers, from developed and developing countries.

Jacques Prescott (Quebec Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks Department) presented his experiences

working with ILSD on the Quebec Sustainable Development Act. The partnership worked with the Quebec government to introduce a new management framework within the public administration of the state of Quebec. The key objectives of these efforts centered around ensuring the coherence of government action on sustainable development; improving overall quality of life; integrating sustainable development principles at all levels within the administration; and developing and applying best available methods and technologies. In order to achieve these aims, a far ranging consultative process has been carried out.

“Implementing sustainable development law requires involvement of people from a wide range of backgrounds - so as to strike a balance between environmental, social and economic issues.”

The International Law for Sustainable Development partnership presentation took place at the CSD-14 Partnerships Fair on 2 May 2006 from 5:15 - 6:00 pm

Energy Efficiency discussion (continued)

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CLASP program is open to participation by any stakeholder organization willing to subscribe to its ethical guidelines and to follow the established best practices. She noted that a country adapted approach in the implementation has been seen to be crucial to the success of an S&L initiative. She also mentioned a trust fund that has been established by the initiative which aims to enhance the distribution of S&L and to extend the rigor of the S&L already in place.

Laura Van Wie McGrory from the

“10-20% of national energy consumption is attributed to public-sector use”

Partnership for Promoting an Energy-efficient Public Sector (PEPS) highlighted the close ties between the CLASP and PEPS initiatives. She pointed out that focusing on the potential for savings within the public-sector, is based on finding that 10-20% of the energy use of a country is attributed to government use. Ms. McGrory noted that while governments have traditionally focused on regulating energy use in other sectors, they have only recently focused attention on their own energy consumption. To address this, PEPS advocates that governments take energy efficiency of products into account in their procurement procedures. She listed several PEPS resources that can help in this regard, including a website, online tools and a guidebook, which is in its final stage of publication.

Ms. McGrory stressed the importance of studying each country's governance structure thoroughly to identify the

appropriate way of achieving substantial impacts on energy use. She presented examples of projects in Mexico, China and India, where due to the varied entry points and decision-making systems in these three countries, PEPs ended up working with officials from different levels of government. In the case of Mexico, PEPS is working with officials at the municipal level; in China they are working with focal points at the central government level, and in India the initiative is working on the State level. Ms. McGrory shared two key success factors, based on the PEPS experience, namely the existence of a national procurement law and a high level of political endorsement.

Both partnerships acknowledged that while there are many other ways to conserve energy, a focus on efficient appliances represents the most effective and simple way currently available to save energy.

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At the Partnerships Fair Information Desks (May 2)

International Partnership for Sustainable development in Mountain Regions (Mountain Partnership)



The Electricity Governance Initiative (EGI)



Partnership for Clean Indoor Air (PCIA)



In the Partnerships Fair Next Week (May 8-9)

Monday, MAY 8 (Conference Room 6)

10:00 - 11:00 Partnerships for Sustainable development in Caribbean Small Island Developing States

3:00 - 4:25 "Partnerships in Practice" interactive discussion on *Building capacity through Partnerships in Small Island Developing States (SIDS)*

Chair: Azanaw Abreha, Vice-Chair CSD-14
Lead Discussants:

- Coral Pasisi, PIFS
- Franklin McDonald, UWI
- Donna McRae-Smith, CARICOM

4:30 - 5:10 Global Network on Energy for Sustainable Development (GNESD)

5:15 - 6:00 USEA/USAID Energy Partnership Program

Tuesday, MAY 9 (Conference Room 6)

10:45 - 11:25 Global Village Energy partnership (GVEP)

11:30 - 12.10 Coalition for Rainforest Nations

12:15 - 1:00 Strategic Partnership Among Benin, Bhutan and Costa Rica for Co-operation on Sustainable Development

3:00 - 4:25 Closing Session and "Partnerships in Practice" interactive discussion on *Working in Collaboration: Partnership Networking and Relationship-building*

Chair: Azanaw Abreha, Vice-Chair CSD-14
Lead Discussants:

- Ross Andrews, DEFRA
- Jane Ross, Mountain Partnership
- Philippe Lempp, REN21
- Francois Rogers, Seed Initiative

Partnership Information Desks

(in the Neck Area—all day)

Monday, MAY 8

- Dams and Development Project (DDP)
- Global Village Energy partnership (GVEP)
- Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development (nrg4sd)
- Strategic Partnership Among Benin, Bhutan and Costa Rica for Cooperation on Sustainable Development

Tuesday, MAY 9

- Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles (PCFV)
- Recovery of the Circuit of Four Lakes
- Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century (REN21)