

EEP MEKONG 2nd REGIONAL ANNUAL FORUM

Overcoming Barriers to Financing Clean Energy Projects in the Mekong Region

Date: 31 January - 1 February, 2012

Venue: Siam Kempinski Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

The EEP Mekong Regional Clean Energy Finance Forum aims to serve as a platform for financiers, project developers and representatives of EEP Mekong partner governments to discuss barriers and solutions to financing clean energy projects in the Mekong Region.

Tentative Programme

Time	Programme	Person-in-Charge
Day 1 – 31st January 2012		
8:00-9:00 REGISTRATION		
OPENING SESSION		
9:00-9:05	Opening Remarks	Dr. Ludovic Lacrosse, Chief Technical Advisor, Regional Coordination Unit, EEP Mekong
9:05-9:20	Welcome Address	H.E. Sirpa Mäenpää, Ambassador of Finland to Thailand
9:20-9:40	Keynote Address: <i>Thailand Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Overview</i>	H.E. Mr. Arak Cholanont, Minister of Energy, Thailand
9:40-10:00	An Overview of Clean Energy Financing: <i>Barriers, Solutions and Lessons Learned from across Asia</i>	Dr. Peter du Pont, Vice President, Clean Energy-Asia, Nexant Asia.
10:00-10:30 COFFEE BREAK		
CLEAN ENERGY FINANCIERS (Chairperson: Mr. Alan Dale Gonzales)		
10:30-10:50	<i>Clean Energy Project Financing: Structuring a Bankable Clean Energy Project Financing Proposal. Dealing with Risks in Clean Energy Project Financing. What are the Risks and their Mitigants? How are Risks among the Project Stakeholders Shared?</i>	Mr. Nopadej Karnasuta, First Vice-President, Kasikorn Bank
10:50-11:10	<i>Investing in Renewable Energy – Challenges and Opportunities from an International Perspective</i>	Ms. Susanne Kern, Assistant Vice President, Asset Management – Environmental and Social Capital, Deutsche Bank
11:10-11:30	<i>Catalyzing Clean Energy Projects from Global to Local: the Role of Technology in a Sustainable Model</i>	Mr. Marc Lees, Business Development Manager, Smart Grid, Schneider Electric
11:30-11:50	<i>Supporting Community Development by Micro-finance and Co-funding for Renewable Energy, Water, Environment and Food Security.</i>	Dr. Wolfgang Frank, Senior Advisor, Population and Community Development Association (PDA)
11:50-12:30	Panel Discussion on Clean Energy Financing	Moderator: Dr. Riaz Khan, Director, Yunus Center Centre, AIT Panel members: Dr. Peter Du Pont, Mr. Nopadej Karnasuta, Ms. Susanne Kern, Mr. Marc Lees, Dr Wolfgang Frank
12:30-14:00 LUNCH		
CDM FOR CLEAN ENERGY PROJECT FINANCING (Chairperson: Ms. Marion Verles)		
14:00-14:15	<i>CDM, a Financial Tool for Clean Energy Projects</i>	Mr. Alan Dale Gonzales, Executive Director, Full Advantage Co. Ltd.

14:15-14:30	<i>Looking towards 2020: CDM Opportunities in the Mekong Region</i>	Mr. Philippe Coste, Special Advisor, Carbonium
14:30-14:45	<i>Carbon Finance and Domestic Biogas Project: A Reality Check</i>	Mr. Keshav Das, Senior Carbon Finance Advisor, SNV
14:45-15:00	<i>Constraints and Opportunities for Funding Biofuel Projects with CDM Compliance</i>	Mr. Edward Allen, Technical Advisor, LIRE
15:00-15:15	<i>Acting Now for a Sustainable Future: TBEC LIG Biogas Project</i>	Mr. Gustaf Godenhielm, Managing Director, TBEC
15:15-16:00	Panel Discussion on CDM, Carbon Market and Climate Financing	Moderator: Ms. Marion Verles Panel members: Mr. Alan Dale Gonzales, Mr. Philippe Coste, Mr. Keshav Das, Mr. Edward Allen, Mr. Gustaf Godenhielm
16:00-16:15	COFFEE BREAK	
16:15-17:45	One-on-one Session with Project Developers and Financiers	Financiers and Project Developers
18:00	COCKTAIL RECEPTION	

Day 2 – 1st February 2012

09:00-09:05	Opening Remarks	Dr. Ludovic Lacrosse, EEP Mekong, Chief Technical Adviser
CLEAN ENERGY FINANCING BY INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (Chairperson: Mr. Helge Semb, Managing Director, NDF)		
09:05-09:25	<i>NDF Clean Energy and Environment Financing Facilities</i>	Mr. Hannu Eerola, Country Program Manager, NDF
09:25-09:45	<i>Banking on Rural Energy – Myth or Reality?</i>	Ms. Marion Verles, Executive Director, Nexus-Carbon Development
09:45-10:05	<i>IFC Support to Clean Energy and Environment Sectors in Asia</i>	Dr. Romel Carlos, Project Manager, Sustainable Energy Finance, IFC
10:05-10:25	<i>Promoting Renewable Energy, Clean Fuels and Energy Efficiency in GMS</i>	Dr. Romeo Pacudan, ADB Project Team Leader
10:25-10:55	COFFEE BREAK	
10:55-11:15	<i>Implementing Cleantech Projects in the Mekong Region</i>	Mr. Jari Heitala, Vice President, Head of Region Asia
11:15-12:00	Panel discussion on Clean Energy Financing by International Institutions	Moderator: Dr. Romel Carlos Panel Members: Mr. Hannu Eerola, Ms. Marion Verles, Dr. Romeo Pacudan, Mr. Jari Hietala
12:00-12:15	Presentation of the Afternoon Session	Dr. Ludovic Lacrosse, Chief Technical Advisor, EEP Mekong
12:15	LUNCH	
AFTERNOON SESSION		
13:30-15:00	Thematic Round Tables (Themes to be announced)	
15:00-15:20	COFFEE BREAK	
15:20-16:00	Reporting from Round Tables	
16:00	Closing Remarks	Dr. Ludovic Lacrosse, Chief Technical Advisor, EEP Mekong