

Financing Energy Efficiency: Opportunities, challenges and perspectives from localities and the G20

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15:00-16:30

Room: Meeting Room 11 (100)

Bonn Zone

Description

To meet the Paris Agreement's ambitious reduction targets, countries need to rapidly peak their energy consumption. Energy efficiency represents the most sustainable, cost-effective, and accessible way to do so. Yet to truly succeed, energy efficiency requires adequate funding and a supportive policy environment. However, no single stakeholder group can deliver this. To rapidly and sufficiently scale up the required levels of investment towards energy efficiency, all have a role to play: from the G20 to the local level.

This discussion is therefore an invitation to discuss collectively how to increase energy efficiency finance to the measure that it calls for, and will cover the following key issues:

- what is **required** - from a policy, institutional and financial perspective - to unlock the potential of energy efficiency and its huge contribution to the Paris Agreement
- what **opportunities** for financing exist, at the international, national and local levels, how to tap into these and for which expected benefits
- what **role** does each stakeholder have to play, whether it is through international collaboration, national/regional dialogues or local action.

Objectives

This event aims to:

1. Raise awareness on the critical contribution of energy efficiency to meet the Paris Agreement, and on the political, policy and financial support required for it to deliver ('Fuel it first to become the *First Fuel*').
2. Highlight the opportunities at the international, national and local level for securing such support, and share experiences from successful G20, country-level and municipal projects.
3. Increase awareness and understanding of the opportunities climate finance provides in creating a supportive policy environment for successful energy efficiency projects.
4. Provide concrete illustrations, arguments and options to help decision-makers pursue their energy efficiency efforts at the international, national or local level, and reap the benefits of these.

Target audience: government officials, UNFCCC negotiators, local authorities and municipalities, international organisations (e.g. Green Climate Fund), private sector representatives, academics, third-party organisations.

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15:00	–	The role of energy efficiency in achieving the Paris Agreement
15:15		and lessons learnt from the G20 Energy Efficiency Investment Toolkit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jurei Yada, Policy Advisor, IPEEC
15:15	–	Insights and energy efficiency priorities from Argentina and the G20 Presidency
15:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrea Heins, Sub-Secretary for the Rational Use of Energy and Energy Efficiency, Ministry of Mines and Energy, Government of Argentina
15:30	–	Advancing energy efficiency at the municipal level in Argentina
15:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gabriela Prata Dias, Senior Consultant, Copenhagen Centre on Energy Efficiency (C2E2)
15:45	–	The opportunity of climate finance for energy efficiency
16:00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carolina Fuentes, Secretary to Board & Head of Governance Affairs, Green Climate Fund
16:00	–	Scaling up energy efficiency initiatives and financing at the sub-national level
16:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cristiana Fragola, Director of Partnerships, Covenant of Mayors • Katrin Harvey, Senior Manager of Business Development, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership • James Alexander, City Finance Programme Director, C40 Cities
16:30		Wrap-up

About the organisers

IPEEC

IPEEC is an autonomous partnership of nations founded in 2009 by the G8 to promote collaboration on energy efficiency. Its membership now includes 17 of the G20 economies, which represent over 80% of global energy use and over 80% of global greenhouse gas emissions. Through IPEEC, members work together and partner with other international organisations and private entities to identify and implement policies that hasten the deployment of energy efficient technologies and best practices. In 2014, IPEEC was designated the lead coordinating agency for the G20's collaborative activities on energy efficiency. The IPEEC Secretariat is based in Paris, France.

About RAMCC

The Network of Municipalities is an instrument for coordinating and promoting local public policies to address climate change in the cities and towns of Argentina. It aims to facilitate the coordination of local actions, disseminate experiences, and evaluate the results of programs that municipalities develop,

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