

PROGRAMME

Moderator: Mr Carlos CORTS, Schuman Associates

08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration & Welcome Coffee</i>
09:00 – 09:30	Guidelines on participation in EU External Action Instruments Mr Carlos CORTS, Schuman Associates - Overview of existing instruments (including blending) - Overview of Procurement Rules
09:30 – 09:45	Introduction to PRAG Ms Sandra BARTELT, Head of Unit, Legal Affairs, DG for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
09:45 – 10:05	Opening Key note speech: “Current and future EU initiatives supporting the development of sustainable energy in third countries” Mr Roberto RIDOLFI, Director for Planet and Prosperity, DG for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
10:05 – 10:25	ENI – Sustainable energy within annual action programmes and single support frameworks (2017- 2020), Eastern Partnership flagship initiative: Energy Mr Vassilis MARAGOS, Head of Unit, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus & Eastern Partnership, DG for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission
10:25 – 11:00	DCI + EDF – Sustainable energy within geographical and thematic annual actions programs and as an investment window in European Fund for Sustainable Development Mr Felice ZACCHEO, Head of Unit, Sustainable Energy and Climate Change, DG for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
11:00 – 11:15	Questions & Answers
11:15 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 – 12:10	Opportunities in energy sector – blending instruments 1. Introduction of projects – some practical examples from each bank 2. Guidelines on how to search for the projects – where is it published and how to apply Mr Nicolas GUICHARD, Deputy Head of Energy Division, Agence Française de Développement Ms Lucia FUSELLI, Energy specialist, European Investment Bank Mr Dominiek DECONINCK, Manager ElectricFI
12:10 – 12:30	Other innovative financial instruments and initiatives: African-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme (RECP), Africa-EU Energy Partnership (AEEP) EU Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility EUEI-PDF Mr Michael FRANZ, Team Leader at Africa-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme
12:30 – 12:45	Company panel discussion: “Experience in EU Funding from the field” Mr Zdeněk ŽELEZNÝ, Head of International Projects Dept., company GEotest a.s. Mr Carsten FUNK, Director Business Development Africa, company Fichtner GmbH & Co. KG Mr Marcus WIEMANN, Executive Director, Alliance for Rural Electrification (ARE)
12:45 – 13:15	Questions & Answers and closing remarks by Moderator
13:15 – 14:30	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
14:30 – 17:30 <i>Coffee at disposal</i>	Bilateral meetings between participating companies Info desks for individual questions: - EIB/ AFD/EDFI, EUEI-PDF, ARE, EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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