

Steering Committee Meeting
Project: Clean technology innovation programme for SMEs and start-ups in the Republic of Moldova.
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Date:

- **02.11.2022**

Hour:

- 15.00 Chisinau time (EEST)
- 14.00 Vienna time (CEST)
- 08.00 New York time (GMT-4)

Project Context

The Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP) is designed to respond to the increasing global demand for environmental sustainability, and climate action, and to unleash the potential of cleantech innovation and entrepreneurship to help transform priority sectors and systems. To address the barriers faced by SMEs in transforming their cleantech innovations into market-ready solutions, the program will use a holistic ecosystem approach which will facilitate the growth of cleantech SMEs, improve coordination of national activities, and foster synergies between participating countries. GCIP has a unique approach as it seeks to capacitate the private sector to deliver environmental benefits through transforming early-stage cleantech companies into fast-growing enterprises whilst simultaneously developing the cleantech innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystems in partner countries, thereby boosting the potential of domestic cleantech ecosystems and corresponding markets.

The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), with its unique mandate to support inclusive and sustainable industrial development, has partnered with the Global Environment Facility (GEF) to address the most pressing global environmental challenges of our time. Through fostering innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystems, UNIDO and GEF seek to promote affordable and scalable solutions, enabling countries to leapfrog to climate and clean energy technologies (cleantech) through the Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).

Organizational Context

The Energy Efficiency Agency hereinafter referred to as EEA is a government body in Moldova subordinated to the Ministry of Infrastructure and Regional Development. In general, the EEA is responsible for the co-design and implementation of state policies aimed at improving energy efficiency and promoting renewable energy. More specifically, the EEA participates in drafting national programs, action plans, and normative acts including technical regulations and standards in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency; develops minimum energy efficiency requirements for devices and equipment produced in or imported to Moldova, and drafts innovative programs promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy as well as provides assistance to the central and local public authorities in drafting such programs.

The EEA has been selected as the main executing entity of GCIP Moldova, and to administrate the activity of the project management personnel of the PMU at the national level. Also, during the period of the execution of the project, the EEA will ensure that adequate provision is made for the insurance of any goods, machinery, or equipment required for the Project and financed from the Financial Commitment.

Project Steering Committee Mandate and Membership

To ensure proper oversight and national ownership of the Project, a Project Steering Committee (PSC) is established. The project is steered by the Steering Committee, which is the only body entrusted to recommend modifications to the project document outcomes and budget.

This core PSC membership may be expanded on a permanent basis to include additional 'key national stakeholders' by majority agreement. In addition, gender focal points from relevant ministries, key large industries, banks, and other relevant bodies will also be invited on an ad-hoc basis as required.

DRAFT AGENDA

Moderator: Nicolae Soloviov, National Coordinator (GCIP Moldova)

Assistant: Natalia Ochinca, Administrative Assistant (GCIP Moldova)

Opening remarks (15.00 – 15.10)

- Gerswynn Mckuur, Global Coordinator - Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).
- Laura Glasberg, Country Focal Point - Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).

Introduction to the agenda of the meeting (15.10 – 15.20)

- Establishing of the Project Steering Committee.
- Selection of the Chairperson of the Project Steering Committee.
- Approval of the Agenda and/or introduction of the new topics.

Introduction to the project (15.20 – 15.40).

- Laura Glasberg, Presentation of the Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).
- Nicolae Soloviov, Presentation of the GCIP Moldova.

Progress in the project implementation (15.40 – 16.00).

- Nicolae Soloviov, Presentation of the GCIP Moldova activities in the period 01.07.2022 – 31.10.2022.
- Natalia Ochinca, Presentation of the training activities of the GCIP Moldova.

Analysing progress implementation (16.00 – 16.20).

- Nicolae Soloviov, Identification and analysis of the main barriers to the implementation of the project in the period 01.07.2022 – 31.10.2022 and discussion of the potential solutions.

Concluding remarks, close the Steering Committee meeting (16.20 – 16.30).

- Gerswynn Mckuur, Global Coordinator - Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).
- Laura Glasberg, Country Focal Point - Global Cleantech Innovation Programme (GCIP).
- Nicolae Soloviov, National Coordinator – GCIP Moldova.