



GEF-UNIDO INDUSTRIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY (IEE) & RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND CLEANER PRODUCTION (RECP)

"PROJECT'S STEERING COMMITTEE (PSC) MEETING"

REPORT

MARCH 16 2023

1.0 INTROUCTION

The Project Steering Committee (PSC) of the GEF-UNIDO Industrial Energy Efficiency (IEE) & Resource Efficiency & Cleaner Production (RECP) Nigeria project, met on March, 2023 to review the second contract Workplan with consideration for outstanding activities from the first year contract.

Members present at the meeting include Charles Ikeah (Co-Chair PSC), represented by Olubunmi Olusanya, Federal Ministry of Environment; Engr. Okon Ekpenyong (Co-Chair PSC), Energy Commission of Nigeria; Dr Ezekiel Oseni, Bank of Industry; Engr. Achema Alewu, Standards Organisation of Nigeria; Mabel Ogbonna, Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission; Okechukwu Ugwu, International Centre for Energy, Environment and Development; Dr. Peter Ekweozoh, Federal Ministry of Science and Technology; L.M Frank, National University Commission; Samuel B. Ayangeor, Federal Ministry of Power; Segun Ajayi- Kadir, mni, Director General Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN); and Oyewole Amuda Ashaolu, Federal Ministry of Environment (RECP).

Representatives of UNIDO at the meeting were Karin Reiss- Hambala, UNIDO Project Manager; Rasha Abdrabu, UNIDO HQ; Rebecca Gunning, UNIDO HQ observer; Jean Bakole, UNIDO Regional Director who was represented by Mr. Oluyomi Banjo, National Programme Coordinator, Environment and Energy UNIDO Nigeria.

Nigerian Environmental Society and Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment were absent at the meeting, while in-attendance are Oladipo Jacob, National Project Coordinator GEF- UNIDO NGN IEE & RECP Project; Dr. Oluwasegun Osidipe, National Technical Coordinator GEF- UNIDO NGN IEE & RECP Project represented by Tooohukwu Akpa; Olufemi Ilesanmi, Bank of Industry; and Chigbo Morgan, Federal Ministry of Environment.

2.0 ADDRESSES AND REMARKS

Karen Reiss-Hambala, Project Manager UNIDO HQ

Karen Reiss-Hambala in her remark appreciated the executing partners; and others stakeholders present for the progress already made in project implementation.

She noted that UNIDO has a long-standing relationship with Nigeria geared towards promoting inclusiveness and sustainable industrial development and have worked on carbon resilient economy project. She observed that the IEE & RECP project will have significant impact on the de-carbonization of the industries; support the competitiveness of the industrial sector; and prepare beforehand for the impact of climate change in the future.

She further informed members that UNIDO is coordinating the clean energy industrial deep de- carbonization initiative, which is a global coalition of public, private organization working to stimulate demand for low carbon industrial material in collaboration with national governments. The programme according to her was designed to standardize carbon assessment, establish public-private procurement target and incentivize investments along local products and industry guideline. She noted that UNIDO is very keen in partnering with the Nigerian Government on the initiative.

She expects that at the meeting the working groups will present progress reports on the project since the last steering committee meeting and discuss the Workplan as well as budget for the second contract. She remarked that a number of achievements have been made on the project, but observed the delay recorded in the implementation of the first contract. Consequently, she noted that UNIDO will work closely with the PMU to address challenges responsible for the delays and reiterated the critical importance of PSC to the success of the project and expressed the need for the Committee to take decision when necessary.

Finally, she reassured the Committee of UNIDO's commitment to progressively support the smooth implementation of the project and remarked that as UNIDO is accountable to donors of the project, it will take corrective actions in case of non-delivery, while at the same time address the identified issues.

Mr. Jean Bakole, UNIDO Regional Director

Mr. Jean Bakole, UNIDO Regional Director who was represented by Mr. Oluyomi Banjo, UNIDO National Programme Coordinator, Environment and Energy UNIDO Nigeria in his remark, noted that having the third PSC meeting shows that the structure of the committee is stable to supervise the implementation of the project. He observed the achievements of the project and remarked on the challenges, which he believed the PSC would resolve.

Segun Ajayi-Kadir, mni, Director General Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN)

In his remark, Segun Ajayi-Kadir, mni, Director General of MAN observed that Project Management Unit (PMU) and MAN have achieved a good number of deliverables as agreed in the Year-one contract. He frowned at the outstanding deliverables for the contract, which he attributed to the unavailability of international consultants. However, he expressed optimism that ECREEE will ensure that the international consultants are available in second phase of the project going forward.

3.0 PRESENTATION OF PSC REPORT

Mr Oladipo Jacob, the National Coordinator of the project presented a highlight of report of the PSC meeting held on September 28-29, 2022. The report was considered and approved by the committee members.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE – EXECUTING PARTNERS

Project Management Unit (PMU)

The implementation update was presented by Mr. Oladipo Jacob. He highlighted the achievements MAN/PMU in the last quarter:

- Close Communication with the shortlisted four universities
- Signed MOU with Bank of Industry (BOI) and reviewed the project implementation framework developed by the bank
- Inaugurated Investment Committee and convened the first meeting of the committee
- Organised Capacity Building and Awareness Creation Trainings, Inception and Media Workshops
- Supported the various activities of FMEnv, ECN & ECREEE.

RECP Working Group

The highlights of project implementation of the RECP working group as presented by Mr. Morgan Chigbo is as below.

- Engagement with stakeholders such as relevant MDAs, Industries, etc.
- Meetings with MAN/PMU, UNIDO and other Implementing partners;
- Stakeholders' engagement which was carried out in Lagos, Kano, Port-Harcourt, Abuja
- Developed training needs for policy makers & regulators;
- Developed framework for the implementation of the RECP methodology in selected industries;
- Commence industry mapping and assessment in selected industries in Lagos, Kano, Port-Harcourt and Abuja.

Mr. Morgan identified the following outstanding activities for year, which he attributed to the non-availability of international experts: Conducting trainings and development of training materials.

ECREEE

In his project implementation update, Dr. Charles Diarra, outlined the achievements, outstanding activities and challenges witnessed by ECREEE during the first phase of the project. He identified the following achievements:

- Carried out inception and media workshops
- Reviewed the draft mapping documents of FMEnv, ECN, and SON

- Conducted a customised series of training workshops Finance, technical staff, CEOs of industries; IEE professional; policy makers on the project;
- Conducted awareness creation on ISO 50001 and ISO14000 series;
- EnMS & EMS trainings in progress and to be reviewed by international consultants
- Training and awareness creation workshops in four cities in the selected 4 zones (Lagos, Kano, Port Harcourt, Abuja)

Dr. Diarra identified the following outstanding activities during the period:

- Development of materials for trainings
- Development of university curriculum for professional qualification in IEE, ENMS and ESO in collaboration with the selected universities.

He also observed the following challenges:

- Low turnout of stakeholders
- Difficulties to have a known number of participants before the meetings
- Limited female gender participation

Following the observations and challenges during the period, he recommended as follows:

- MAN, to support ECREEE and other working groups to reach out stakeholders;
- Invitation letter should be sent to participants at least one 6 weeks before the training, while acknowledgment should be forwarded to MAN and ECREE at least 3 weeks before the meeting;
- Industries should be encouraged to present adequate gender-mix for trainings and workshops;

He assured that the recruitment of international experts will be finalized such that trainings will commence in June 2023.

Resolution

The Committee frowned at the negative impact of the unavailability of international consultants on the project and resolved as follows:

- i. ECREEE to furnish the Committee with the exact date for the final recruitment of the international consultants;
- ii. Activities that can be carried out without the consultants can begin, while waiting for their arrival.

5.0 PRESENTATION OF WORKPLAN

The second year workplan was presented by Mr. Oladipo Jacob, National Project Coordinator.

Based on the presentation, he observed that the year two workplan/budget was prepared taking cognisance of the outstanding year one workplan/activities.

He noted that outstanding activities for the first-year contract carries zero budget in the draft second year workplan. He also observed that the budget of the implementing partners, that is, Federal Ministry of Environment (RECP), Energy Commission of Nigeria (IEE), Ecowas Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE) and the Manufacturers Association of Nigeria/Project Management Unit are consolidated in the draft year two workplan.

The total budget for the year two contract is \$781,800 (seven hundred and eighty-one thousand eight hundred dollars), distributed as follows:

MAN/PMU = \$470,800

ECREEE = \$190,500

ECN = \$49,250

FMEEnv = \$49,250

Project monitoring and evaluation (component six) = \$22,000

He highlighted activities of the second contract as below.

- i. Comprehensive assessment and analysis of reports of current status of industries in terms of baseline studies, gaps, minutes of meetings or engagements, and the activities of FMITI.
- ii. Supporting relevant working groups to ensure stakeholders workshops are properly coordinated including attendance, group photographs, reports and attention to gender requirements of the project.
- iii. Reviewing meetings with industries that implemented the IEE and RECP methodologies and getting an MOU before presenting the reports.
- iv. Data gathering and mapping of industries.
- v. Engaging energy and environmental regulators with earlier identified gaps in previous year in order to build capacity and skills.
- vi. Producing assessment reports for the trained experts or officials.
- vii. Addressing the matter of financial issues through the involvement of FMITI, SON and BOI that have the mandates covering the selected areas of the project.
- viii. Facilitate training for specific officers that will oversee the project according to the project document.
- ix. Providing training materials in accordance with ISO 500001 standard and in collaboration with SON.
- x. Supporting ECREEE for the training of shortlisted candidates in the 4 zones of the selected states.
- xi. Supporting the development of curriculum for universities and engaging NUC on the approval of the process and final curriculum

- xii. Providing evidence of the implementation activities from all the project workinggroups.
- xiii. Showcasing industries that effectively deployed the methodologies as testimonies of the success of the project.

Resolution

After an extensive deliberation on the presentation, the committee resolved as follows:

- i. PSC members to review the workplan and outline their comments for the next online meeting
- ii. Implementing agencies to get relevant clarification on the budget from PMU
- iii. The Committee agreed for an emergency meeting for April 14, 2023 to finalised discussion on the workplan

6.0 OTHER DELIBERATIONS (A.O.B)

- The committee agreed that the role of members in the meeting should be clearly stated and that the Co-chair should coordinate the meetings going forward;
- PMU should provide secretarial support to facilitate PSC meetings;
- In the conduct of the two yearly statutory meetings as stated in the project document, the meeting which comes early in the year where budget is considered should be physical while the second that comes up later in the year, virtual. Emergency meetings of the committee could be virtual or physical as resources allow.

7.0 CLOSING

The meeting was adjourned at about 1:05pm after the items on the agenda were considered.

APRIL 14,2023

EMERGENCY MEETING

The committee held an emergency virtual meeting in other to conclude the approval of the workplan members present at the meeting include Charles Ikeah (Co-Chair PSC), represented by Olubunmi Olusanya, Federal Ministry of Environment; Engr. Okon Ekpenyong (Co-Chair PSC), Energy Commission of Nigeria; Dr Ezekiel Oseni, Bank of Industry; Engr. Achema Alewu, Standards Organisation of Nigeria; Mabel Ogbonna, Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission; Okechukwu Ugwu, International Centre for Energy, Environment and Development; Dr. Peter Ekweozoh, Federal Ministry of Science and Technology; L.M Frank, National University Commission; Samuel B. Ayangeor, Federal Ministry of Power; Segun Ajayi- Kadir, mni, Director General Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN); Isah Moukhtar Abdullahi, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment; Efegbike Okobia, Nigerian Environment Society and Oyewole Amuda Ashaolu, Federal Ministry of Environment (RECP).

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Resolutions

After many deliberations the following resolutions were made;

- Year two workplan and outstanding year one activities approved
- The committee instructed the PMU to include the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment in the year two

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at about 11:50am after the items on the agenda were considered.

