GREEN Action Task Force

GREEN Action Task Force Bureau Meeting 2019

Draft Agenda

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Agenda item 1

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Thursday 18th April 2019
(10:00-17:15 – followed by cocktails)

Meeting venue: Room CC18, the Conference Centre, OECD Headquarters
(2, rue André-Pascal, Paris, France)

(Please note that a Workshop on Mining and Green Growth in the EECCA region will be held on the following day (19 April) from 09:15 to 17:30, to which those who are interested are cordially invited. Please see a separate agenda of the Workshop for more details.)

Thursday 18 April 2019

10:00-10:10

1. Welcome and Adoption of the Draft Agenda

The Co-chairs of the Task Force will welcome the participants and introduce the meeting agenda.

- The Bureau will be invited to adopt the agenda and the summary record of the last Bureau meeting (April 2018), and comment, if any, on the draft summary record of the Third Annual Meeting in Bratislava (October 2018).

10:10-10:30

2. Implementation of activities and upcoming events under the Programme of Work for 2019-20

The Secretariat will highlight the main activities implemented as part of the Task Force Work Programme for 2019-2020 since the third annual meeting in Bratislava, including the recently launched EU4Environment project. The Secretariat will also present the past and upcoming meetings over the period from January to December 2019.

- The Bureau will be invited to take note of, and provide feedback on, the presentation.
- The Bureau will also be invited to consider which work could be potentially selected as topics for discussion at the TF annual meeting (and further discuss it in Agenda Item 5)
10:30-12:10

3. Sustainable Infrastructure Investment in Central Asia: Emerging findings from a rapid assessment study

*ENV/EPOC/EAP(2019)3*

Infrastructure plays a critical role in facilitating sustainable, inclusive growth and Central Asia’s integration into the world economy. As infrastructure financing accelerates in the region, it is imperative that the infrastructure projects that receive approval and funding will provide not only short-term economic benefits but also guarantee long-term sustainable growth, in line with the climate and sustainable development objectives. The Secretariat will provide an overview of an ongoing study on sustainable infrastructure in Central Asia. The Bureau will be invited to provide insights on how the OECD could help countries better align key infrastructure decisions with climate and sustainable development goals.

The OECD Secretariat will present:

1. *Emerging insights from an inventory of large infrastructure projects in central Asia, with potential high environmental and economic impacts*
2. *Initial messages from a gap analysis regarding countries’ ability to plan, implement and finance infrastructure projects aligned with Paris goals and broader SDGs.*

The UN Environment will also present its work on sustainable infrastructure.

- The Bureau will be invited to take note of, and provide feedback on, the presentations.

12:10-13:40

*Lunch Break*

13:40-15:10

4. Enhancing collaboration with development financial institutions

*ENV/EPOC/EAP(2019)2*

One of the key feedback after the Annual Meeting was to put more emphasis on strengthening the co-operation between the Task Force and development finance institutions (DFIs), which should build on the fruitful co-operation between them and the Task Force and other parts of the OECD. Such enhanced co-operation would aim to allow more opportunities for the Task Force members and DFIs to discuss policy challenges to, and solutions for, scaling up green investment in the economies of the EECCA region, based on the needs, experiences and knowledge from the both sides.

- The Bureau will be invited to discuss the following questions. To facilitate discussion, the OECD Secretariat presents key messages from the Discussion Note prepared for this session.

1. *What would be expected outcomes of strengthening co-operation between the Task Force and development finance institutions? What would be value-added to existing networks?*
2. *What could be best mechanisms for strengthening such co-operation?*
3. *What could be the potential subjects for the enhanced co-operation?*  
   (See Box 2 in the Discussion Note for some examples for discussion)
4. *What could be the roles of different actors to play in the next steps to be taken in 2019 and beyond?*
5. Should the Task Force invite a representative of a development finance institution to join its Bureau as a member?

15:10-15:30
Coffee Break

15:30-17:00
5. Building together the agenda for the 4th Annual Meeting (30 September – 01 October 2019, Kyiv, Ukraine)

The Secretariat will present possible elements for inclusion in the draft agenda for the next Annual Meeting of the GREEN Action Task Force in 2019.

Ukraine, the host country, will also introduce considerations for the Annual Meeting (e.g. visions on possible venues, areas of interest in agenda items and possible (keynote) speakers from Ukraine, among others).

- The Bureau will be invited to discuss the possible structure, topics, format and outcomes of the Annual Meeting.

17:00-17:15
6. Other business

- The Bureau will be invited to discuss any other business.

Cocktails
at George Marshall Room, Chateau de la Muette (on the OECD premises)