

Africa-EU Energy Partnership (AEEP)

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**The Africa-EU
Energy Partnership**

Africa EU Energy Partnership

The AEEP is a long-term framework for strategic dialogue on energy issues between Africa and the EU

- Established in 2007, under JAES strategy
- Political framework for strategic energy dialogue
 - High Level Meetings
 - Stakeholder Dialogue
 - Thematic Workstreams
 - Monitoring Progress of the AEEP 2020 targets
- Steering Group includes EC, AUC, COMESA, Egypt, Germany and Italy



...looking back into 2015

Steering

- Complete SG house
- 5 SG mtgs
- 2 EU/Afr. Mtgs
- 2 AGs
- JAES: C2C & IRG
- **Result:** functioning partnership with AP

Momentum on Bus. Dialogue

- Egypt
- Vienna Energy Forum
- SAIREC
- **Result:** enhanced engagement

Coordination

- Initiated discussions
- 5 strategic meetings
- **Result:** proposed Pan-African coordination

Mapping

- Mandate from actors across board
- Conceptualised and guided exercise
- Wide consultations
- **Result:** Mapping report

International processes

- G7
- G20
- SE4ALL
- AREI
- COP21
- **Result:** increased visibility on int. stage

Our focus in 2016...

- **Finalization & launch of Mapping of Energy Initiatives report**
- **Second AEEP Stakeholder Forum 2016 (Italy)**
- **Tracking and Monitoring: consultations and review of 2020 Targets (prep. for the 2nd AEEP Status Report)**
- **Contributions to JAES processes (IRG, JAF, C2C)**
- **Roll-out of AEEP thematic workstreams (Action Groups)**
- **2nd Secondment to AUC**
- **More strategic coordination and alignment with other key partners and processes (SDG7, AREI, TAF, SE4ALL...)**

Mapping of Energy Initiatives in Africa

- “Lifting the fog” from the sector to reveal overlaps, potential synergies and gaps
- Key input to coordination efforts but also useful for practitioners and national governments
- Exercise undertaken through a phased consultative approach:
 - **Phase 1 (concluded)** : initial overview of key initiatives and programs, compiled based on publicly available information; **draft report presented at SAIREC** in October 2015;
 - **Phase 2 (concluded)**: the information contained in the Phase 1 report was **verified and validated for presentation during COP 21, PIDA Week, IRENA GA, SE4ALL Africa Forum**;
 - **Phase 3 (underway)**: the mapping exercise will be **finalized with an enhanced level of detail** by way of additional input from stakeholders. To be launched at stakeholder forum.

AEEP Stakeholder Forum

- *Business and Science: Leading the way to sustainable energy*
- May 15/16th 2016, Milan, Italy

Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Registration Young Journalists Arrival	Stakeholder day Thematic discussions Gala Dinner	High-level day Political Declarations	<i>Optional Cultural Program</i>
	<i>Exhibition</i>		

- participation of **African and European Ministers, Commissioners, 300+ high-level participants**
- Expected Highlights/Outcomes:
 - Milan Communique
 - Official launch of AEEP's Mapping Report and Intermediary AEEP Status Report
 - Stakeholders' call for action

AEEP Stakeholder Forum:

Preparation Status

- Venue Confirmed– Politecnico di Milano
 - Close coordination with host
(*Ministry of Foreign Affairs Italy*)
- Priority topics of discussion agreed with Steering Group (*December 2015*)
- Stakeholder consultation (private sector, civil society, academia)
- Revitalization of Young Journalists Program
- *Save the Date* to be distributed next week



Monitoring AEEP 2020 Political Targets

- SG has stated the need to review targets
 - Align with international processes (SE4ALL, AREI, PIDA, SDGs etc.)
- Next steps:
 - Intermediate Report Update & Presentation
 - Kick-off of review process at SHF
- Full Status Report Update 2017
- New targets to be agreed upon at HLM 2017

AEEP Input to JAES Processes

- Coordinator role for Infrastructure Sector Papers
- Key role in shaping RGI Meeting agenda (Addis Ababa, 25/26th February 2016)
- Bringing Action Group (civil society, private sector and academia) representatives to RGI
- Mentioned as a key partnership in the C2C conclusions

Thank you!

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