

**SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FOR ALL
ADVISORY BOARD**

**SE4All ADVISORY BOARD
SUMMARY**
(Note by the Special Representative)

**Meeting of the SE4All Advisory Board
on Tuesday, 19 May 2015, New York**

The following document provides a summary of the fourth meeting of the Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All) Advisory Board, which was convened in New York City on 19 May 2015, in conjunction with the 2nd United Nations SE4All Forum.



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New York
19 May 2015
Summary

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Opening of the meeting

1. The meeting was opened by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and President of the World Bank Jim Yong Kim via video. Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson, acting as Chair of the meeting, formally opened the proceedings by delivering his statement in person¹. Rachel Kyte, Vice President, World Bank, subsequently delivered her remarks.

Report of the Special Representative

2. The Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All, Kandeh Yumkella, introduced the 2014 Annual Report and made a presentation to the Advisory Board on the progress of, and proposed way forward for SE4All.²

Decisions endorsed

3. The Advisory Board endorsed the following actions with respect to the items on its agenda:

Item 1: Achieving the proposed Sustainable Development Goal 7 on energy:

The Advisory Board, having listened to the report of the Special Representative,

4. *Welcomed* actions already underway by all stakeholders in support of sustainable energy for all, and commended the work of SE4All in support of relevant intergovernmental processes, especially critical contributions towards the proposed Sustainable Development Goal 7 on energy as part of the Post-2015 Development Agenda;
5. *Welcomed* the progress made on Country-level Action, with 102 partner countries, of which 66 have completed a gap analysis, 23 an action agenda, and 16 an investment prospectus completed or under preparation, and in this regard, welcomed the strong commitments and initiatives of many partners, including the United States (Power Africa) and European Commission (ElectriFI). The Advisory Board further agreed that national action agendas, investment prospectuses and relevant tools such as the Country Action Reference Document present a robust framework for accelerating the implementation of energy-related goals and targets at the country level, and urged acceleration of their development in a wider set of countries;

¹ Statements available on www.se4all.org/advisoryboard

² Annual Report and SRSG presentation slides available on www.se4all.org/advisoryboard

6. *Welcomed* the work of the Finance Committee and called for action on its recommendations, with a potential to raise \$120 billion in incremental annual investments by 2020 through market-based initiatives, partnerships and leveraging development banks;
7. *Welcomed* the efforts of the Special Representative, the Global Facilitation Team and partners to contribute towards UNFCCC/COP 21 to be held in Paris, including through the Lima Paris Action Agenda and relevant initiatives such as Global Energy Efficiency Accelerator Platform, IRENA-led SIDS Lighthouse initiative and the African Clean Energy Corridor;
8. *Welcomed* the establishment of a strong network of thematic and regional Hubs, including an Africa hub located within African Development Bank in collaboration with the AU, NEPAD and UNDP; for Europe/Central Asia/Mediterranean in EBRD; for Latin America and the Caribbean in IDB with ECLAC and UNDP; and for Asia-Pacific in Asian Development Bank with ESCAP and UNDP. Thematic hubs include Energy Efficiency (Denmark/UNEP), Renewable Energy (IRENA), Knowledge Management (World Bank), Capacity Building (TERI) and Energy Efficiency Facilitation (ECCJ/Japan);
9. *Underscored* the critical importance of business engagements and in this regard welcomed High-Impact Opportunities (HIOs), including six that are currently being operationalized: Clean Energy Mini-Grids, Phase-out of Gas Flaring, Energy and Women's Health, Universal Adoption of Clean Cooking Solutions, Sustainable Bioenergy and the Water-Energy-Food Nexus, and further welcomed efforts to develop a framework for formalizing the scope, relationships, roles, responsibilities, accountabilities and monitoring of the HIOs;
10. *Welcomed* a growing network of civil society stepping up to the challenge, including the SE4All Energy Access Practitioner Network led by the UN Foundation that has more than 2,000 members;
11. *Commended* the work of the Special Representatives and partners in support of the UN Decade of Sustainable Energy for All 2014-2024, including a two-year global campaign on Energy for Women's and Children's Health;
12. *Welcomed* the 2nd annual United Nations Sustainable Energy for All Forum, including the first Global Energy Ministerial, with focus on financing for sustainable energy, as a global platform for sharing lessons, monitoring progress and launching new commitments in support of the proposed SDG 7 on energy; and,
13. *Fully endorsed* the SE4All Global Tracking Framework, led by the World Bank, ESMAP and the International Energy Agency with support of 20 other organizations, as the basis for tracking progress towards the proposed SDG 7 on energy and its targets.

Decisions on item 2: SE4All institutional arrangements

The Advisory Board, having listened to the report of the Special Representative,

14. *Welcomed* the work by the Executive Committee on institutional arrangements and endorsed the proposed institutional arrangements as a solid framework that would enable SE4All to benefit from the convening power of the UN system and the World Bank and the flexibility of an international not-for-profit organization (INPO) to partner with a wide range of private and civil society actors, and in this regard warmly welcomed the commitment of the Secretary-General and the President of the World Bank to continue Co-Chairing the Advisory Board;

15. *Urged* expeditious action on the proposed institutional arrangements, including the selection of new leadership and host country, establishment of the INPO and institutionalization of capacity within the UN, in order to continue SE4All's momentum, and requested the Special Representative to report on these and related matters at its fifth meeting.

Decisions on item 3: Actions to be taken by the Advisory Board

The Advisory Board,

16. *Called* on the Special Representative, working with SE4All partners especially through the committees of the Advisory Board, to develop a global implementation strategy, including a five-year vision and action plan (2016-20), for the proposed Sustainable Development Goal 7 on energy and requested that the main elements of this strategy should be shared as a basis for discussion at its fifth meeting;
17. *Called* on the Special Representative and all partners to present concrete actions and commitments, including organisation of a high-level event to highlight the work of its Finance Committee, at the Financing for Development conference to be held in Addis Ababa in July 2015;
18. *Called* on the Special Representative to develop a vision statement of SE4All contributions for COP21, covering Global Energy Efficiency Accelerators, renewable energy and energy access initiatives, and requested that a draft vision statement including SE4All's plan of engagement at COP21 be presented as a basis for discussion at its fifth meeting;
19. *Agreed* to establish a Strategic Committee under the Advisory Board to replace the functions of the Executive Committee and requested the Special Representative to present suggested way forward in this regard as a basis for discussion at its fifth meeting;
20. *Called* on all members and partners to mobilize and commit long-term financial support for the operations of the Global Facilitation Team.

Decisions under Any Other Business:

The Advisory Board,

21. *Expressed*, having learned of his intended departure by July 2015, its deepest gratitude and appreciation to the Special Representative for his passionate and dynamic leadership that have helped create a new global narrative of, and momentum towards sustainable energy for all;
22. *Welcomed* and endorsed the offer of the Indian Government to host a meeting of the Advisory Board during 2016;
23. *Confirmed* that it will hold its fifth meeting on 16 November 2015 in New York City.

Closure of meeting

24. The meeting closed following formal statements by the Deputy Secretary-General and the Special Representative.

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**Annexes**

Annex 1: List of Attendees

Annex 2: Final Annotated Agenda of Advisory Board Meeting (19 May)

Annex 3: Calendar for 2015-2016

**ANNEX 1: List of Attendees**

**SE4All Advisory Board meeting  
PARTICIPANTS<sup>3</sup>  
19 May 2015**

1. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations (via video)
2. Jim Y. Kim, President of the World Bank Group (via video)
3. Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General
4. Kandeh Yumkella, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for SE4All

**ADVISORY BOARD**

5. Piyush Goyal, Minister of State for Coal, Power and New and Renewable Energy, India
6. Isabella Lövin, Minister for International Development Cooperation, Sweden
7. Neven Mimica, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
8. Alexei Teksler, Deputy Minister of Energy of the Russian Federation
9. Helen Clark, Administrator, UN Development Programme and Chair, UNDG
10. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under-Secretary-General, High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS, United Nations
11. Li Yong, Director General, United Nations Industrial Development Organization
12. Adnan Amin, Director General, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
13. Suleiman Jasir Al-Herbish, OPEC Fund for International Development
14. Tony O. Elumelu, chairman of Heirs Holdings
15. José Manuel Entrecanales Domecq, Chairman of ACCIONA
16. Masahiko Horie, Ambassador for Global Environmental Affairs, Japan
17. Ceri Powell, Executive VP of World Wide Exploration, Royal Dutch Shell
18. Sheila Oparaocha, Executive-Secretary, Energia
19. Lutaf R. Kassam, Director, Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development

**DESIGNATED ALTERNATES**

20. Zhang Yuqing, Vice Administrator, National Energy Administration, China (in place of Nuer Baikeli)

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<sup>3</sup> Full list of Advisory Board members available on <http://www.se4all.org/about-us/advisory-board/>

21. Naif Al-Otaibi, Deputy Minister for Petroleum Affairs, Saudi Arabia (in place of HRH Prince Abdulaziz Bin Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud)
22. Friedrich Kitschelt, State Secretary, BMZ, (in place of Minister Gerd Muller, Germany)
23. Michael Linhart, Secretary General of the Austrian Foreign Ministry (in place of Minister Kurz)
24. Martin Bille Hermann, State Secretary for Development Policy, Ministry of foreign Affairs, Denmark (in place of Mogens Jensen)
25. Hans Brattskar, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway (in place of Børge Brende)
26. Alex Rugamba, Director for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, African Development Bank (in place of Mr. Donald Kaberuka)
27. Einar Gunnarsson, Ambassador, Iceland Mission to the UN (in place of President Grimsson)
28. Christoph Frei, Secretary General, World Energy Council (in place of Marie-José Nadeau)
29. Francesco Venturini, EnelGreenPower CEO (in place of Mr. Starace)
30. Kevin Nassiep, CEO of SANEDI DoE, Republic of South Africa (in place of Joemat-Pettersson)
31. Hans Schulz, Vice President for the Private Sector and Non-Sovereign Guaranteed Operations, Inter-American Development Bank (in place of Mr. Moreno)
32. Josue Tanaka, Managing director, operational strategy and planning, energy efficiency and climate change, EBRD (in place of Sir Suma, EBRD)
33. Gil Hong Kim, Senior Director, Asian Development Bank (in place of Takehiko Nakao)
34. Sally Gear, Head DFID Sustainable Energy Team (UK Department for International Development) (in place of Justine Greening)
35. Nawal Al-Hosany, Director of Zayed Future Energy Prize and Director- Sustainability at Masdar (Abu Dhabi Future Energy Company) (in place of Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, CEO and Managing Director, MASDAR)
36. Nabeel Munir, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the United Nations (in place of Minister Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Federal Minister for Water & Power)
37. David Rodgers, GEF (in place of Naoko Ishii, GEF CEO and Chairperson)
38. David McCauley, Senior Vice President for Policy and Government Affairs, WWF US (in place of Carter Roberts)
39. Dayae Oudghiri, Managing Board Member, Moroccan Agency for Solar Energy (in place of Mr. Bakkoury)
40. Hege Marie Norheim, Chief Sustainability Officer, Statoil (in place of Eldar Sætre)
41. Carl Bjorkman, Director and Head of International Organisations and Government Affairs, World Economic Forum (in place of Klaus Schwab)
42. Bruno Berthon, Managing, Director, Accenture (in place of Jean-Marc Ollagnier)
43. John Christensen, Director, UNEP (in place of Achim Steiner)

44. Narinder Khakar, New York representative, IUCN, (in place of Inger Andersen)
45. Michaela Pfeiffer, World Health Organization (in place of Margaret Chan)
46. Dan Dorner, Senior Energy Analyst, IEA (in place of Ms. van der Hoeven).
47. Tessa Lee, Research and Editorial Associate, Carbon War Room (in place of Strive Masiyiwa)

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

48. Rachel Kyte, Vice President and Special Envoy For Climate Change, World Bank (also representing President Kim)
49. Klaus Rudischhauser, Deputy Director General of DG DEVCO, European Commission
50. Hans Olav Ibrekk, Policy Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway
51. Robert Ichord, Deputy Assistant Secretary, US Department of State (also representing Mr. Kerry on the Advisory Board)
52. Timothy E. Wirth, Vice Chair, United Nations Foundation
53. Brian Dames, Chief Executive Officer, African Rainbow Energy and Power

#### **DESIGNATED ALTERNATES**

54. Roberto Zurli, Director, Infrastructure and Energy Division, Brazilian National Development Bank (in place of Luciano Coutinho)
55. Alex Doukas, WRI, (in place of Andrew Steer)



**ANNEX 2: ANNOTATED AGENDA (19 May)**

**15:00 - 15:10 WELCOME REMARKS BY THE CHAIR OF THE MEETING, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL**

The Chair, Mr. Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General, will open the meeting and welcome Advisory Board members.

**15:10 - 15:30 SE4ALL SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE'S STATEMENT**

The Special Representative, Dr. Kandeh K. Yumkella, will present to the Advisory Board a report on achievements to-date including recommendations of the Advisory Board committees, strategic priorities and actions to be taken by Advisory Board.

**15:30 - 17:30 DISCUSSION: WAY FORWARD TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FOR ALL BY 2030**

The Facilitator, Dr. Kandeh K. Yumkella, will moderate the discussions on the following issues:

1. Achieving the proposed Sustainable Development Goal 7 on energy

-How can we effectively build and act on the recommendations of the Advisory Board Sub-Committees to advance the three objectives? (Leaders of Advisory Board Sub-Committees may be invited to verbally share their messages/recommendations).

-How can we leverage global processes such as the post-2015 Development Agenda and COP 21?

2. SE4All institutional arrangements

-How can we best capitalise on the new SE4All institutional framework to scale up partnerships and accelerate actions?

-How can we more effectively leverage the power of all stakeholders, including business, civil society and Hubs?

3. Actions to be taken by the Advisory Board

-What are key actions to be taken?

-How can we improve the working modality of the Advisory Board?

**17:30 - 18:00 ADVISORY BOARD TIMELINE FOR 2015-2016, INCLUDING CALENDAR  
ANY OTHER BUSINESS  
CLOSING SESSION**

**ANNEX 3: ADVISORY BOARD CALENDAR 2015/2016****2015**

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- Sep/Oct 2015* - *Sherpa meeting (venue tbc)*  
**16 Nov 2015** - **Advisory Board Meeting (New York City, UN Headquarters)**

**2016**

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- March 2016* - *Sherpa meeting (Date/Venue tbc)*  
**May/June 2016** - **Advisory Board Meeting (Date/Venue tbc)**  
*Sep/Oct 2016* - *Sherpa meeting (Date/Venue tbc)*  
**Nov 2016** - **Advisory Board Meeting (Date/Venue tbc)**