



Terms of Reference
Scaling-up Renewable Energy Program in Benin
Scoping Mission



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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) implemented by the Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) aims to promote international cooperation on climate change and support the efforts of the developing countries to reduce greenhouse gas and adapt to climate change. Two trust funds was created within the CIF: (i) the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) which finances the scaled-up demonstration, deployment, and transfer of clean technologies; and (ii) the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF) which finances targeted programs that pilot new approaches with the potential for scaling up. The SCF includes the Forest Investment Program (FIP), the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), and the Scaling Up Renewable Energy Program in Low Income Countries (SREP).

1.2 The objective of the SREP is to pilot and demonstrate the economic, social and environmental viability of low carbon development pathways in the energy sector by creating new economic opportunities and increasing energy access through the use of renewable energy. The SREP program will allow the selected countries to initiate a process which will result in a transformational change by bringing the countries towards a low development of greenhouse gas. This will be achieved by exploiting the renewable energy potential of the country instead of resorting to expensive and polluting fossil fuels and the inefficient use of biomass.

1.3 Since SREP was launched in December 2009, a number of countries have been selected as pilots in Africa. Those countries are: Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali, Liberia and Tanzania. In June 2014, a number of new SREP pilot countries were selected, among which is Benin.

1.4 The Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), including AfDB, the WB and IFC, will be supporting the Government of Benin in developing the SREP Investment Plan (IP); this will be done in coordination with other relevant stakeholders – United Nations Organizations, bilateral partners, private sector companies, non-governmental organizations and civil society organizations. In the case of the SREP Benin, it was agreed that the AfDB would be the “lead MDB” and would therefore coordinate the joint efforts of the MDBs in the country.

2. OBJECTIVES

2.1 The guidance from the SREP Sub -Committee stressed the need for multilateral development banks to provide joint support to recipient countries to develop their SREP investment plan, but also to ensure broad consultation and ownership program by stakeholders in general. To effectively launch the preparation of the investment plan, the Government and the MDBs agreed that a preparatory mission takes place in Benin from 22 to 24 March 2015, to initiate a process of dialogue with stakeholders and plan all preparation activities of the investment plan.

2.2 More specifically, the scoping mission objectives will be to: (i) inform stakeholders on the objectives of the SREP program, its benefits and the terms of its modalities to Benin to ensure a common understanding and vision of the SREP in Benin ; (ii) consult with the stakeholders on the strengths and weaknesses of renewable energy sub-sector in Benin and see which activities (investments and technical assistance) could be considered as part of the investment plan to bring to the scale investments in renewables; (iii) identify analytical studies, policy documents, existing programming and planning documents in the fields of energy, renewable energy, climate change, and any other documentation that may guide the development of the plan investment, such as possibly identify additional topics to be diagnostic studies, reviews or evaluations; (iv) agree on the dates of the joint SREP mission and prepare the terms of reference of this mission, and (v) agree on the next steps and actions to prepare the investment plan.

3. ACTIVITIES AND EXPECTED OUTPUTS

3.1 The activities of the Scoping Mission are:

- Presentation SREP program, with its program modalities and activities related thereto, and the role of different stakeholders in the financing of the investment plan;
- Identify stakeholders (central government, line ministries, local authorities, technical and financial development partners, private sector, civil society) to prepare a real institutional map (mapping exercise) of the players involved in the renewable energy sub-sector ;
- Identify key programs / projects currently underway on the energy sector in general and the sub-sector of renewable energies, in particular;
- Conducting an inventory of the strengths and weakness of the sector, on the documents governing the sector, etc. to have the necessary documents to prepare the investment plan;
- Set up the national team in charge of preparing SREP investment plan, involving key stakeholders, and clarifying its tasks, its mandate and composition;
- Identify potential technical assistance needs to prepare the SREP investment plan (and financial resources thereto);
- Meetings with private and public investors in the sub renewables sector;
- Preparation of terms of reference of the Joint Mission, including the identification of profiles of the leading experts required (including on social and environmental assessment, monitoring and evaluation, institutional analysis, etc.);
- Agreement on the detailed plan of SREP investment plan

3.2 The expected outputs of the Scoping Mission are:

- Joint Aide-Mémoire of the Scoping Mission, including the findings of the mission, a roadmap for the next steps and an agreement on the resources to be made available to prepare the IP
- Names and contacts of the SREP National Task Force members, responsible for preparing the SREP IP;
- A table listing the main ongoing programs / projects in the energy sector in general and the sub-sector of renewable energies , (annexed to the Aide-Mémoire)
- Draft TORs for the Joint Mission and draft outline of the Investment Plan;

4. PARTICIPANTS OF THE MISSION

4.1 The Scoping mission will be led by the Government of Benin, represented by the national focal point SREP, Mr Mathias Pofagi. The representatives of the Ministry of development, the Ministry of Energy including the Department of Energy and National Agencies as well as the division in charge of renewable energy, the SBEE and the regulatory authority in the electricity sector will actively participate to the mission.

4.2 The African Development Bank will be the "lead" MDB for the preparation of investment plan in Benin; the mission team will consist of:

- Djamali Ibrahime: Financial Analyst
- Komal Hassamal: Economist
- Ibrahima Konate: Electrical Engineer
- Daniel Ndoeye: Economist resident

4.3 World Bank

- Franklin Koffi SW Gbedey, fgbedey@worldbank.org

4.4 IFC

- Laura Gaensly, LGaensly@ifc.org

4.5 Consultations are also planned with other development partners present in Benin, as well as representatives of the private sector and civil society. A detailed list will be presented in the Aide-Mémoire at the end of the mission.

5. PROPOSED AGENDA

Date	Time	Activities	Responsible	Place
Day 1	09:00 – 9:30	- Réunion de préparation de la mission	BAD, BM, SFI, point focal SREP, consultant	To be determined
	10:30 – 12:30	- Restitution de la 1 ^{ère} phase de la mission du consultant et identification des axes prioritaires d'intervention	BAD, BM, SFI, point focal SREP, consultant	
	14:00 – 15:00	- Rencontre avec le Ministre du Développement	MDBs, Point focal SREP, consultant	
	16:00 – 17:00	- Rencontre avec le Ministre de l'Énergie	MDBs, Point focal SREP, consultant	
Day 2	09:00 – 10:30	- Rencontre avec les partenaires au développement	UE, AFD, KfW, UNDP, BOAD, ...	
	10:45 -12:30	- Rencontres avec les acteurs publics du secteur de l'énergie	SBEE, <i>ABERME</i> , <i>ANADER</i> , <i>ARE</i> , ...	
	14 :00 – 15 :30	- Rencontre avec les porteurs de projets dans le cadre du plan d'investissement	MDBs, point focal SREP, équipe nationale SREP, consultant	
	16 :00 – 18 :00	- Séance de travail avec l'équipe SREP et rédaction de l'aide-mémoire	MDBs, point focal SREP, équipe nationale SREP, consultant	
Day 3	09:00 -11 :00	- Finalisation de l'aide-mémoire et préparation de la mission conjointe	MDBs, point focal SREP, équipe nationale SREP, consultant	
		- Signature de l'aide-mémoire		