



Methane to Markets

Report from Steering Committee

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Overview

- Major Outcomes of Steering Committee
- Charge to Partners
- Charge to Subcommittees
- Closing

Steering Outcomes: New Partners and Steering

- Ethiopia and Ghana's requests to join the Partnership and the Steering Committee were approved.
 - Ghana will participate in Landfill and Oil & Gas.
 - Ethiopia will participate in Agriculture and Landfill.
- Steering Committee agreed upon revised process for expressing desire to be a Steering Committee member.
 - Partners are considered Steering Committee “observers” from the time they join the Partnership.
 - After 12 months (and any time thereafter), a Partner may request to become a Steering Committee member via letter to the ASG, which should outline their engagement in the Partnership to date.
- The ASG will develop guidance to help Partners describe their engagement in Steering Committee request letters.

Steering Outcomes: Wastewater Treatment

- The Steering Committee has decided to add wastewater treatment as a focal area of the Partnership.
- The Landfill Subcommittee is charged with exploring options for engagement in the sector and making recommendations on how it should be incorporated into the Partnership structure.
- If Partners outside this subcommittee are interested, they can contact ASG to participate.

Steering Outcomes: UNFCCC Status

- The Steering Committee decided not to continue seeking observer status for the Partnership in the UNFCCC.
- Partners should work with the ASG to ensure that the Partnership is well-represented at the COP through national mechanisms.

Steering Committee: Terms of Reference (TOR)

- The Steering Committee completed a working draft of a revised TOR.
 - Expanded scope to include abatement
 - Included wastewater
 - Subcommittee leadership
 - Communicating progress/accomplishments
 - Action plans
 - UNFCCC linkage
- By 31 March 2010, the ASG will circulate a clean version of these revisions to all Steering Committee members for 60-day review. The final draft will be made available to all Partners in advance of the Ministerial.

Steering Committee: Partnership Ministerial

- Mexico will host a Ministerial in conjunction with the pre-COP or the COP itself.
- The elements of the Ministerial event, which is expected to last approximately half a day, will likely include:
 - A Ministerial declaration.
 - The ASG will develop an initial draft that will be reviewed by the Steering Committee, then circulated to all Partners for input.
 - The goal is to finalize the declaration approximately one month prior to the Ministerial.
 - Country statements, photo opportunities, press events, success story posters.
- Steering Committee meeting will take place on preceding day(s).

Charge to Partners: Building Towards the Ministerial

- Take home message about upcoming Ministerial and discuss need for additional commitments for enhanced Methane to Markets.
- Appoint points of contact (POCs) to work with ASG and other Partners in the development of the Ministerial Declaration and event planning.

Charge to Partners: Outreach and Communications

- Provide information to the ASG on an ongoing basis to update the country and sector pages on the M2M Web site.
- Work with the ASG to ensure that the Partnership is well represented at UNFCCC events (e.g., sponsor side events, display material, secure booths).
- Work with the ASG through the Administrative Liaisons to ensure an adequate flow of information between the Partnership and individual Partners.
- Utilize the *Methane International* newsletter to highlight projects, conferences, or other success stories.
- Undertake media outreach activities and provide links to press releases or other news items.
- Translate Methane to Markets materials into Partner's language, when relevant and possible.

Charge to Partners: Outreach and Comm (con't)

- Distribute Methane to Markets materials and/or make presentations at relevant conferences or meetings, particularly UNFCCC events.
- Utilize the project tracking system to facilitate greater information sharing on projects and activities.
- Continue to better engage PN members (e.g., success stories, speaking opportunities, concurrent meetings with industry events).
- Promote availability of the *Partnership Accomplishments Report (PAR)* to government officials and/or organization management.
 - Contact the ASG to obtain hard copies of the report for distribution.

Thanks to Subcommittees

- The Steering Committee wishes to thank the Subcommittees for excellent reports and considerable work, particularly as it relates to the 2nd Partnership Expo.
 - Development of technical and policy sessions.
 - Identification of project opportunities and success stories.

Charge to Subcommittees: 2010 Partnership Expo

- Continue to promote the project opportunities featured at the 2010 Expo.
- Track and report on the development of the projects showcased at the 2010 Expo.
 - Note: All Expo Projects are listed on the Methane to Markets Web site.
- Publicize Expo participation through press releases and provide links to ASG for posting on the Web site.
- Describe/evaluate Expo experience in follow-up survey (to be conducted by ASG in late March 2010).

Charge to Subcommittees: Review of Leadership

- Subcommittees should review their leadership every three years and select new co-chairs as necessary.
- Subcommittees may select up to three chairs for each sector.
- Subcommittees are encouraged to begin discussions of this issue during their meetings later today.

Charge to Subcommittees: Outreach and Communications

- Work with the ASG to provide information for the redesigned Web site on an ongoing basis.
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Charge to Subcommittees: Future Work

- Subcommittee members are encouraged to continue to develop country-level, sector-specific action plans if they have not already.
- Subcommittees should plan to meet once more in 2010 in person or via alternative means.
- Subcommittees should explore linkages between Subcommittee work and other relevant international initiatives and partnerships
- Subcommittees should note the Steering Committee's interest in expanding Partnership's scope to include methane abatement and how that might impact their work.

M2M at Work!



Thank You

- I wish all the Subcommittees successful working meetings this afternoon.
- Thank you to everyone here for your effort, participation and continued contribution to the success of the Methane to Markets Partnership.
- Your efforts, demonstrated so visibly here--in the exhibit halls, in the technical and policy sessions and in our Committee meetings – will provide this Partnership with the momentum and achievements it needs to move forward for the next five years.