



Methane to Markets

Partnership Update

**Coal Subcommittee Meeting
Tuscaloosa, Alabama
22-23 May 2006**

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Overview

- Steering Committee Decisions and Outcomes from November 2005
- Charge to Subcommittees and Goals for this meeting
- Outreach and Communication Updates
- Tracking System

Methane to Markets Partnership Overview

- Advances recovery and use of methane as a valuable clean energy source
- Encourages development of **cost-effective** methane recovery and use opportunities in
 - coal mines
 - landfills
 - oil and gas systems and
 - **agriculture (manure waste management)**
- Private companies, multilateral development banks and other relevant organizations participate by joining the **Project Network** – *over 280 organizations now participating*

- 17 Partner Countries

Argentina	Italy
Australia	Japan
Brazil	Korea
Canada	Mexico
Colombia	Nigeria
China	Russia
Ecuador	Ukraine
Germany	United Kingdom
India	United States



Steering Committee Decisions and Outcomes from Buenos Aires

- Subcommittees to further refine Action Plans
 - Living documents to be updated at each subcommittee meeting
 - Provides guidance for activities for Partners and PN members
 - Focus on developing actions and projects that respond to country specific circumstances (e.g. specific barriers to projects in Russia, Mexico etc...)

- Develop and implement a tracking system for Methane to Markets projects and activities
 - Results and outcomes must be tracked
 - Highlight opportunities for projects

- Methane to Markets Project and Technology Expo in 2007
 - Goal is to help catalyze near-term project development
 - Taskforce convened and developed recommendations for the Steering Committee

Key Items for Subcommittee Action

- **Update Sector Action Plan**
 - Move from global to country specific focus to encourage project collaboration amongst Partners and Project Network, targeting concrete activities.

- **Plan Partnership Expo**
 - Optimal focus to create a valuable event for the coal sector
 - Activities to promote the event
 - Provide feedback to ASG

- **Tracking Projects and Project Ideas On-line**
 - Actively track projects in coordination with ASG
 - Encourage use of Project Submission Form

ASG Outreach and Communication

- Translated outreach materials available
 - Russian, Spanish, Chinese
 - Review requested
- July Issue of Methane International
 - Input requested from Partners and PN members
- Help us keep the Website Current and Useful!
 - Email us at asg@methanetomarkets.org

M2M Funding Opportunities

- USAID's Global Development Alliance (GDA)
 - Private sector eligible
 - http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/global_partnerships/gda/

- USAID's India Mission provides \$400,000 of funding through GDA grants
 - Private sector is eligible
 - RFP ends June 16, 2006
 - http://www.usaid.gov/in/working_with_us/grant_opportunity.htm

- U.S. EPA Grant for M2M Projects for up to \$2.5 M over 3 years
 - Request for proposals begin summer 2006 for funding in early FY07
 - Non-profits eligible

Recent and Upcoming M2M Events

- 2 May 2006 - Commission on Sustainable Development
 - Partnership Fair
- 12 May 2006 - Landfill Subcommittee Meeting – Cologne, Germany
 - Co-located with Carbon Expo
- 23 May 2006 – Coal Subcommittee Meeting, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, U.S.
 - Co-located with International Coal Mine Methane Symposium
 - Agriculture Subcommittee Meeting – TBD
- Steering Committee Meeting – 4th Quarter 2006
 - Meeting of the Steering Committee only. Subcommittee co-chairs should also plan to attend to provide updates on their progress.
- Fall 2007– Beijing, China - Partnership Expo
 - Co-located with Steering Committee and all subcommittee meetings

On-Line Tracking System

- Goals
 - Project Ideas matching with developers
 - Tracking Methane to Markets Activities
 - Tracking projects and activities to highlight in the Project Expo 2007

- ASG Developing on-line system now
 - Launch by Fall 2006
 - Encourage countries and PN members to include all methane project related activities
 - Will allow us to track the impact of the Partnership on project development, capacity building etc...