

Background

There will be two phases of stakeholder consultation for the Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Forum – an early stage during January-February 2009, and a more in-depth phase during July-August 2009. The Forum wants to demonstrate that this is not a closed process, and to help alleviate any stakeholder anxiety about the process or end product. Important considerations in the stakeholder consultation are obtaining a good cross-sectoral representation of views, and obtaining views from stakeholders directly affected by hydropower facilities or developments.

The objectives of the Jan-Feb 2009 period are to:

- establish relationships with stakeholders;
- assist stakeholders to understand the Forum process and progress; and
- provide opportunity for feedback.

The approach used for the Jan-Feb 2009 consultation will be a combination of a web-based questionnaire and feedback platform; sessions organised and run through Forum member networks; and targeted consultation meetings with identified organisations or individuals. As much as is feasible, a consistent approach will be followed in getting feedback from stakeholders. The budget for consultation will be quite limited, and so opportunities to undertake consultations alongside other organised events are sought. Important considerations with the methods are that they are low cost and time-efficient; and that they can obtain information in a form that is readily analysed and compiled into a report back to the Forum.

A more structured and participatory consultation process is envisaged for July-August 2009, building on the stakeholder relationships developed during January-February 2009, and focusing in greater detail on the content and application of the Draft Revised Protocol.

Identified Target Events – Jan-Feb 2009

- Conference on Implementing Environmental Flows, IEWA, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, 23-26 February 2009. TNC and WWF will be present.
- World Bank Water Week, Washington, DC, USA, 17-20 February 2009, Half day Protocol training session being organized by DF

Identified Target Events – Later in 2009

- World Bank Energy Week, Washington, DC, USA, 8 April 2009 - Half-day Protocol training session being organized by DF
- World Water Forum, Istanbul, Turkey, 16-22 March 2009

Potential Network Consultation Sessions

- Oxfam and associates outreach meeting
- Oxfam - Regional outreach meeting in the Mekong, late Feb/early Mar
- Transparency International internal consultation, first week Feb
- TNC/WWF - Webex conference series during Dec-May
- WWF/IHA – Meeting in Brussels, late Jan/early Feb to inform EU Commission reps and also energy and water policy people/institutions
- IHA Reference Group meeting late Jan/early Feb

INITIAL LIST OF IDENTIFIED ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS

Banks:

World Bank Group, Fad, ADB, AfDB, IDB, EIB, Equator Banks, China ExIm Bank, DEG
Export Credit Agencies via the OECD Secretariat, US agencies e.g. OPIC

Hydro and Dams Sector:

IHA, HEA, ICOLD, ESHA
National hydropower and dams associations
IHA membership

Consulting firms, auditors

ERM, TÜV Süd, DNV, Bureau Veritas

Professional Associations

IAIA, IISD, IBLF

Governments / Regional Bodies / Commissions:

Brazil, India, EU Commission
Mekong River Commission, Zambezi River Authority, SADC

Donors:

DDP donors

Development Agencies:

SIDA, NORAD, DFID, USAID, JICA, AFD, KfW, InWent

NGOs:

WWF, TNC, Oxfam, Transparency International
WEED, ICLEI, IUCN, Youth Alliance for Future Energy (YES2004), Urgewalt
Himanshu Thakkar from South Asia Network on Dams River and People
Medha Patkar, founder Narmada Bachao Andolan
Joji Corino
E-flows working group on ELOHA paper network
International Environmental Flows Network, South Africa
International Rivers
TERRA/FER, Living Rivers Siam, RWESA, FIVAS, Banktrack, NGO Forum on ADB
MPower, Green Watershed, Vietnam Rivers Network, FACT, NGO Forum on Cambodia, RCC

Resettlement Experts:

Maninder Gill, Ted Scudder, Ted Downing, Robert Goodland, Professor Shi Guoqing
International Network on Displacement and Resettlement

UN Organisations:

UNEP, UNDP, UNESCO, UNDESA, UNFCCC, UNIDO
Achim Steiner, head of UNEP, former head of WCD and IUCN

Kader Asmal of South Africa, former Chair of WCD

Energy Networks:

IEA, World Energy Council, Business Council for Sustainable Energy
Global Network on Energy for Sustainable Development
IRENA, IREA
National energy agencies

Water Networks:

World Water Council, Global Water Partnership

Sustainable Development Networks:

World Business Council for Sustainable Development
Global Reporting Initiative

Research:

TERI, IWMI, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy

Climate Change:

Carbon trading exchanges, e.g. European Climate Exchange, Chicago Climate Exchange
Offset providers, e.g. Carbon Neutral Company
Offset standards e.g. VCS, Gold Standard
Clean Development Mechanism
Carbon analysts and traders, e.g. Point Carbon

Standards Research and Analysis Organisations:

ISEAL, AccountAbility

Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Forum
STAKEHOLDER MAPPING

