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The new EEP implementing team is on board and operational. EEP Coordination Office (ECO) has been established by KPMG. The Inception of EEP Phase II will continue until the end of December, but at the same time Programme operations such as monitoring, fund disbursements and preparations for 6th Call for Proposals are running simultaneously.



Greetings from the KPMG Eco Team

Dear Partners and Stakeholders,

Climate change is one of the most serious challenges facing the world today. The Energy and Environment Partnership Programme (EEP), which has its roots in the World Summit for Sustainable Development in Johannesburg 2002, awards an ideal opportunity of increasing access to modern, affordable and reliable energy services through increased use of renewable energy technologies supporting an affirmative climate change.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland has signed a contract with KPMG Oy Ab (KPMG Finland) on the management and implementation of the Energy and Environment Partnership Programme Phase II. By signing the contract, the EEP Phase II is now operational and KPMG has begun the implementation of the inception phase, including deployment of key personnel, handover from Phase I, getting the Programme administrative systems operational, reviewing and handling daily tasks of the Programme Phase I Project Portfolio, possible updating of the Programme implementation plan, log frame and governance.

By performing a wide range of Audit, Advisory and Tax assignments, KPMG is a globally well-known and respected

partner in both the public and private sector. The KPMG network of member firms can be found in 148 countries employing 140,000 people who share the same values. KPMG has local offices in most of the EEP S&EA member countries.

The Phase II KPMG Team is referred to as ECO, which is an abbreviation of the EEP Coordination Office.

The Implementation Team of Phase I, together with nearby EEP stakeholders and financiers, have conducted an impressive work in promoting the currently well-known EEP Programme, represented in 13 countries of the Southern and East Africa. It is a great pleasure for us as the new Service Provider to continue the management and implementation of the EEP into its second phase.

The KPMG ECO Team has been assembled for the EEP Phase II with passion for development results, a technical ability and with an understanding to achieve the goals set for the Programme. At the same time, we have the business management and services skills to manage risks while helping grantees improve the access to energy across the region through sound business and project models. To further support an effective implementation of the Programme, we have

a presence of local offices in 11 of the 13 EEP countries that will bring our performance closer to the beneficiaries of the Programme.

The KPMG ECO Team is looking forward of a successful cooperation with both the present and the new stakeholders of the EEP Programme.

With best greetings,

Anders Lundin, KPMG Partner

EEP PROGRAMME CONTACTS

The KPMG ECO Team is based in Pretoria, South Africa. Project Developers who have received EEP grants and other stakeholders are asked to be in contact by using the info@eepafrica.org email address for communication with the new KPMG ECO Team, until further notice.

The ECO Team is following the KPMG's Global Green Initiative, launched in 2008, with the ambition to reducing the carbon footprint of all activities. Under this alignment the team highly prefers having all material sent in electronic format instead of paper copies.



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WHAT'S UP

The **disbursement requests** submitted by project developers under the transition period are under review and disbursements are paid out as fast as these have been signed off by the KPMG ECO team. In case additional clearance or documents are needed the KPMG ECO team has been or will shortly be in touch.

Project Developers with ongoing projects where milestones have been reached are encouraged to send their disbursement requests and reports to the info@eepafrica.org address. During the inception phase we aim to handle the request within a month.

The KPMG ECO team will in coming weeks send out a **web survey** where the current status and possible open issues are inquired.

We appreciate your patience, as we are still under inception and mobilization.

FACT CORNER

Below we have collected some of the most frequently asked questions during the transition period:

• How can we apply for EEP funding?

EEP S&EA funding will be next available in Call for Proposals 6. The Guidelines and instructions on how to apply for the funds will be available at the official EEP S&EA website, www.eepafrica.org. The schedule for CFP6 will be announced later this year on the website.

• When will we receive our next fund disbursement?

The project disbursements are now continuing. The outstanding disbursements from the transition period will be handled

first and incoming new requests will be handled within one month from the request. Note that all deliverables, including supporting documents must be sufficiently submitted along with the request.

• Are there some major changes in the project implementation guidelines for Phase II?

No, there won't be any major changes in the Programme, regarding the project execution guidelines. However, all changes that will be implemented during the inception period, will be announced on the website and by letters.

More Q&As will be posted on the EEP Website in near future!

News from EEP monitoring trips

EEP supports the installation of Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Electricity Consumption Meters and Energy Management Programme in City of Cape Town Owned Administrative Buildings.

City of Cape Town is leading by example with the new smart meters that allow real time electricity consumption data gathering. EEP financed the city in the implementation of its Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) Electricity Consumption Meters and Energy Management Programme. The programme already fitted 55 city buildings with these web based smart meters. The information collected by the meters is relayed to the building users to sensitize them about more effective electricity usage.

In South Africa, electricity saving is becoming a necessity across all sectors in order to ensure energy security and reduce wasteful expenditure.



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The meters make available critical information to the city to monitor its objective of 10% reduction in energy consumption within Council operations.

The roll out of this energy management system is complemented by a change of a mindset campaign within these buildings. But given that behavior change is not an instantaneous process, it is therefore expected that this aspect of the project will have to continue beyond EEP funding.

The building manager of the city office building on Wale Street acknowledged that before the AMR meters, basic information was known about the electricity consumption of the building. But the depth and accuracy of the consumption information was not sufficient to allow for effective monitoring of behaviour change interventions. He added that project provided a benefit because buildings users and facilities managers have not before been exposed to an awareness/education campaign informing them of general energy awareness and how to save electricity in an office environment.

It is intended that the consumption data obtained through the AMR metering, will be used as a feedback loop to building users and facilities managers to drive the awareness and education campaign aiming to reduce the electricity consumption of Council owned buildings though change of a mindset. The behaviour change training provided under the programme will now be a standard five day training extended to facility managers and users where possible.

45 kW solar PV system powers the home of people with disabilities in Milnerton, Cape Town

The EEP monitoring teams visited Eric Miles Cheshire Home, a sub-economic home providing care for 45 quadriplegic and paraplegic residents of mixed race. The home is partly funded by government subsidies, but main portion of the funding is raised through fund raising events or grants from different donors. The solar PV system installed with the panels mounted on the roof of Eric Miles Cheshire Home is expected to produce 45 kW renewable energy from the sun.



The home Manager, Mrs Bosman expressed her appreciation that the solar panels will free-up the funds available for operating costs by avoiding paying for electricity. These she says, will ensure that Eric Miles Cheshire Home does not have to down-scale or provide substandard services and it could even increase the number of nursing staff employed.

During the installation, staff and volunteers were trained on how to install, maintenance and cleaning of the system. The handyman at the home, who also received training, believes that lessons learnt will be logged and kept in mind for future installations, possibly at other 18 Cheshire Homes nationally.

In late 2011, government started procuring renewable energy from independent power producers. The home is currently in negotiation with government to agree on feed-in tariffs, also discussions with ESKOM about rebates are at advanced stage.



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