



Seventeenth Meeting of the WBIF Steering Committee hosted by KfW, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

13 December 2017

Agenda

Venue: KfW Group Headquarters: Palmengartenstrasse 5-9, 60325 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Participants: DG NEAR, IFIs, Bilateral Donors, Beneficiary Countries, SEETO, Energy Community, IPFs, Connecta, WBIF Secretariat and IFICO

Policy & Strategy Session

Co-Chairs: *Mrs. Katarína Mathernová, Deputy Director General, DG NEAR, European Commission*
&
Mr. Torgny Svenungsson, Head of Unit, DEMO-WBTLA, Department for Europe and Latin America., Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency

08:30 - 09:15 Registration at venue

9:15 - 09:30 Welcoming remarks

Prof. Dr. Joachim Nagel, Member of the Executive Board, KfW

Mrs. Katarína Mathernová, Deputy Director General, DG NEAR, European Commission

Mr. Torgny Svenungsson, Head of Unit, DEMO-WBTLA, Department for Europe and Latin America., Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency

9:30 - 11:30 Session on Energy Efficiency

- EU's strategy for energy efficiency, including the EU-IFI high level energy efficiency initiative for the EU neighbourhood and implications for the Western Balkans

Mrs. Katarína Mathernová, DG NEAR

- National implementation of EU's strategy for energy efficiency - Germany's experience

Ms. Bettina Dorendorf, Senior Product Manager Residential Building & Mr. Jürgen Kern, Head Energy and Transport, KfW

- Impacts, challenges, perspectives in the Western Balkans

- REEP (Plus): *Mrs. Marinela Kalemi, Principal Banker, Financial Institutions, and Mr. Remon Zakaria Lead, Associate Director, Energy Efficiency & Climate Change, EBRD)*

- GGF: *Mrs. Elvira Lefting, Managing Director Finance in Motion (FiM)*

- Discussion: way forward and supporting of energy efficiency under WBIF

11:30 - 11:45 Coffee break

- 11:45 - 12:15 Economic Outlook in the region**
Dr. Jörg Zeuner, Chief Economist, KfW
- 12:15 - 12:45 Update on the Berlin process, the connectivity agenda and the Western Balkan Initiative by the Federal Foreign Office of Germany**
Mr. Colin Wolfe, Head of Unit, DG NEAR & Ms. Christiane Hullmann, Deputy Head of the Western Balkan Division, Federal Foreign Office of Germany
- 12:45 - 14:15 Group photos and lunch**

Project Oriented Session

Co-chairs: *Mr. Colin Wolfe, Head of Unit, DG NEAR, European Commission & Mr. Torgny Svenungsson, Head of Unit, DEMO-WBTLA, Department for Europe and Latin America, SIDA*

- 14:15 - 14:30 WBIF Updates**
- WBIF Monitoring Report
Mrs. Stine Andresen, DG NEAR
 - Status update EWBIF
Mrs. Caroline Clarkson, ERDB
- 14:30 - 15:15 WBIF Projects Approval Session (Round 18)**
Presentation of proposals by representatives of the Beneficiaries and the IFIs
PFG Co-chairs: Mr. Wolfgang Schläger, DG NEAR & Mr. Christoph Tiskens, KfW
- 15:15 - 15:45 WBIF Project Approval Session (INV Round 2)**
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- 15:45 - 16:00 Coffee Break**
- 16:00 - 16:30 Project Financiers Group Operational Issues**
- Eligibility of Digital Infrastructure
 - Update: INV Round 03
Mr. Wolfgang Schläger, DG NEAR
- 16:30 - 17:00 Dates and eligibility criteria: TA Round 19**
Mr. Wolfgang Schläger, DG NEAR
- 17:00 - 17:15 WBIF resources: pledging and availability of funds for 2018**
Mr. Colin Wolfe, DG NEAR
- 17:15 - 17:30 Co-Chairmanship of the WBIF PFG and SC 2017 and incoming for 2018**
WBIF SC Co-chair, Mr. Torgny Svenungsson, Head of Unit, SIDA
- 17:30 - 17:45 AOB & Conclusions**

Evening event: reception at 18:00 followed by a formal dinner together with EDIF PAG