

**Working Group 1 'Policy and Instruments' (WG 1)**

7 September 2007

Room ARIES at Fiera Milano/RHO, Milan, Italy  
on the occasion of 22nd EU PVSEC

**List of Participants**

**WG1 Members**

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Alsema, Erik  
Altevogt, Jens  
Arzberger, Isolde  
Fechner, Hubert  
Klimek, Petr  
Teodoreanu, Dan  
Waldmann, Lars

**Observer**

De Lillo, Anna  
Juquois, Fabrice  
Rehak, Jaromir

**PV Secretariat**

Despotou, Eleni  
Sowada, Daniela  
Weiss, Ingrid

The meeting started at 14h00. It was chaired by Stefan Nowak.

**1. Welcome and Introduction**

S. Nowak opened the meeting and welcomed the participants.

F. Juquois has been invited to the Working Group meeting to present the final preparation of the feed-in tariff calculating system which has been developed by F. Juquois (ADEME) to compute the FIT in France. The FIT-model was shortly presented during the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the EU PV Technology Platform on 12 June 2007 in Berlin, Germany, by S. Nowak.

**2. Information on WG1 Fact Sheet Progress**

S. Nowak mentioned that the Fact Sheets were also presented during the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the EU PV Technology Platform. I. Weiss informed the group that the inquiry for Fact Sheets is very high. E. Despotou added that a lot of Fact Sheets were distributed during the exhibition of the 22<sup>nd</sup> PVSEC in Milan, Italy.

A. de Lillo joined the WG1 Meeting in order to discuss about the translation of the Fact Sheets for further dissemination on the national level. S. Nowak stated that the responsibility should be taken by each national partner of the Mirror Group for the translation of the content. He further mentioned that it will be important to assign the Mirror Group with this task in order to assure that the content is accurately translated for quality insurance. A. de Lillo agreed on that issue.

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S. Nowak concluded that an exact translation is needed if the EU PV Technology Platform is used. Concerning the question of F. Juquois, the logo of the agency or company who translated the Fact Sheet(s) can also be put on the national Fact Sheet translations. The Fact Sheets will then serve as a national document of the EU PV Technology Platform.

A. de Lillo stated the printing procedure for the Fact Sheets could be a problematic issue if it has to be accomplished on the national level. The national governments could claim that a document of a European initiative as the EU PV Technology Platform has to be printed and paid on the European level. This issue will be taken to the Mirror Group for further discussion.

**3. Future Activities of Working Group 1**

S. Nowak declared that there is no overview about the requirements to install a PV System concerning the regulatory/administrative terms on the national level. He asked if the Mirror Group could deliver any input for this issue.

J. Altevogt stated that there are a few results of the PV Policy Group available. E. Despotou stated that the European Commission is asking for an overview on costs, from the production to the access to the grid. There is no overview how to commit the costs as it depends on the model how to calculate them and the range is too wide for the moment.

S. Nowak stated that Working Group 1 could prepare a format and the Mirror Group could then agree on it if it is suitable. A. de Lillo answered that the Mirror Group can support this issue if the format is clear.

Working Group 1 also agreed on sharing the translation work of the Fact Sheets:

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| H. Fechner:  | German translation of FS I (what is PV and its application)                |
|              | German translation of FS II (status and future of the PV market)           |
|              | German translation of FS III (status of the PV Industry)                   |
| J. Altevogt: | German translation of FS 1 (the energy balance is negative)                |
|              | German translation of FS 2 (external cost of PV electricity)               |
| L. Waldmann: | German translation of FS 3 (cost of PV will never reach competitiveness)   |
|              | German translation of FS 4 (Solar PV is not appropriate for rural applic.) |
|              | German translation of FS 8 (PV has no economic impact)                     |
| S. Nowak:    | German translation of FS 5 (PV should remain in research laboratory)       |

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- I. Arzberger: German translation of FS 6 (PV will not integrate into the existing grid)  
German translation of FS 7 (Decentralised PV systems are not sufficient)
- E. Despotou: Greek translation of all Fact Sheets
- F. Juquois: French translation of all Fact Sheets
- D. Teodoreanu: Romanian translation of all Fact Sheets

The PVSEC will send the word document of the Fact Sheets to the WG1 members.

#### **4. Discussion on the SET-Plan**

S. Nowak reviewed the different steps of the SET-Plan so far and that the European Commission asked what PV could contribute to the 2020 goal of the European Union and which actions should be undertaken. A first proposal was prepared by the Executive Committee but the European Commission was asking for a more concrete proposal. W. Sinke, J. Luther and S. Nowak then proposed a more concrete paper.

The SET-Plan document of 25 July 2007 was established but until now there are no reactions on it from the European Commission. The problem is that the EC is asking for a simple action target ("silver bullet", e.g. the one technology) which for the PV sector, due to its structure and broad portfolio of technologies, is not appropriate in the view of the PV TP.

S. Nowak mentioned that the Mirror Group should assure that the national information is right. He asked D. Teodoreanu to take this problem into the Mirror Group. The national partners will have to deliver information on what the country plans are concerning PV development and contribution to the 2020 goal.

E. Despotou remarked that the danger is to be excluded from the entire RES approach of the European Commission if there are no clear objectives and indicators for PV.

#### **5. Discussion on FiT-Model**

F. Juquois presented the latest version of the FiT-Model. It is not yet available on the internet website of the EU PV Technology Platform. Comments from the other members of the EU PV Technology Platform will be incorporated, as the ones of W. Sinke. S. Nowak mentioned that afterwards it will be put on the website and users should be able to comment on it.

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**6. Discussion on Grid Access Study**

E. Despotou explained that the Position Paper and the Study are just background information and can not be considered as complete documents. Further work on this issue is needed. EPIA aims at including additional elements to the study. The study has to be taken as an internal working document.

**7. Discussion on EC DG TREN issues**

E. Despotou explained that the EC DG TREN aims at developing an assessment on support schemes. What the EC DG TREN is asking for, is to connect emission trading schemes with support schemes. S. Nowak remarked that support schemes and trading schemes can exclude each other and so that the link is very difficult to make. PV is the most affected RES by this issue. The task for the next meeting is to collect information about this issue.

**8. Next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on

**30 November 2007 in Vienna, Austria.**

The meeting finished at 16h50.

**Annex**

- Agenda
- PV related event calendar

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