

Proposal of extension of Task 14 workprogramme and duration

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1 Foreword

A proposal of extension of workprogramme and duration of Task 14 was made by the Operating Agent to the ExCo members during the 25th ExCo meeting. The present documents gives more details on the achievements of this extension.

The following remarks found the present proposal:

1. 5 Participants joined the Task 14 since its beginning (1/6/04), belonging to:
 - France
 - Italy
 - Norway
 - Sweden
 - UK
2. All these 5 Participants were invoiced for the complete cost-sharing of the task 14, evaluated as the total task budget (90000 Euro) divided by five (18000 Euro each)
3. Netherlands intended to join the task 14 in March 2005, bringing the number of Participants up to six
4. Need would be to update the subdivision of the total budget over this greater number of Participants, as the Legal annex forecasts; in this case, money should be given back to the present Participants against already issued invoices
5. Another practical and fair administrative solution to handle the matter seemed to be invoicing Netherlands for the above same amount of the other Participants. In this perspective, an increase of the task budget would occur.

A new occurrence came to light during the development of the Task, which should be considered for the following evaluation.

A Dutch National Energy Convention will take place in Groningen from October 26th to 28th 2005, jointly organised by Universities of Amsterdam and Groningen, Dutch Utilities, suppliers and local Industry. Organisers are definitely oriented to arrange specialist workshops on selected topics: subjects relevant to market mechanisms to foster Energy policies (Green and White Certificates, ETS, Wind certificates) are strongly addressed. A workshop on the style of those that have already been planned in Task 14 would be strongly appreciated

2 Extension of the Task

2.1 Terms of reference

With reference to the above “option 2”, a proposal to ExCo members is done to use the increase of budget brought about by the new Participant for the following supplementary activities, connected to the opportunities given by the new Participant himself:

- **organisation of a further event**, made up of:
 - a further open workshop, to be held in Netherlands on October 27th 2005 in Groningen in connection to the Dutch National Energy Convention.. The Convention is planning to invite about 500 delegates. The workshop will focus interaction/integration among White Certificates and other market mechanisms relevant to Energy policies (Green Certificates, ET, Wind certificates). Task 14 is bound to gain wider visibility through this event
 - a further experts meeting the day after, focused on comments on the above workshop and restricted to the Participants
- **issuing of a further Task deliverable**, consisting in a Critical Synthesis Report containing presentations, comments and remarks relevant to the above event

This supplementary workshop would occur in a period when another task workshop was originally planned in Norway; this latter event would then be re-allocated around March 2006 with a more focused content. An extension of the Task 14 is then proposed to June 30th 2006, in order to allow the supplementary workshop and expert meeting to be organised and the relevant Critical Synthesis Report to be written, while respecting the all the engagements planned in the workprogramme under way.

The updated proposed Task programme for the events (the modification with respect to the present situation are written in bold) and the relevant timetable are shown in the following tables.

Event	Workshop	Workshop subject	Task experts meeting subject	Date
1	NO		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kick-off . - Task organisation - Preparation of the following workshop 	7-8 June 04 Milano Italy
2	YES	Existing experiences and expectations at national level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on the past workshop - Preparation of the following workshop 	8-9 Nov 04 London UK
3	YES	Policy/principle issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on the past workshop - First ideas on the Final Report - Preparation of the following workshop 	14-15 April 05 Paris France
4	YES	Organisation / practical issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on the past workshop - Comparisons among national procedures for evaluation of Energy Savings - Preparation of the following workshop 	16-17 June 05 Lund Sweden
5	YES	Interaction with other schemes/EE policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on the past workshop - Discussions on organisation and contents of the Final Synthesis Report - Preparation of the following workshop 	27-28 October 05 Groningen Netherlands
6	YES	Overview and comparisons among ongoing WhC schemes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on the past workshop - Follow-ups from EU EuroWhiteCert project - Comments and finalisation of draft Final Synthesis Report 	March 06 Norway

Events scheduled in the Task 14

Present timetable of events and deliverables



Month	June 04					November 04		January 05				April 05		June 05				November 05	December 05
Event	1					2						3		4				5	
Deliverable						CS						CS		CS				CS	FR

Month	June 04					November 04		January 05				April 05		June 05				October 05					March 06				June 06
Event	1					2						3		4				5					6				
Deliverable						CS						CS		CS				CS					CS				FR



Proposed new timetable of events and deliverables

CS = Critical Synthesis Report of the event
 FR = Final Synthesis Report

2.2 Remarks

- **Additionality.** None of the above activities was planned in the original Task workplan
- **Better synergies.** This time extension allows for better synergies and interactions with a EU project on similar issues (EuroWhiteCert) already in progress, which involves two of the Task 14 Participants and which is expected to end on December 2006
- **Consistency.** The supplementary Task budget is consistent with the proposed activities, results and products. As a matter of fact, it complies with the present adopted approach, which can be summarised as:

“N” Participants = “N” events = “N” deliverables

This approach inspired the whole already accepted workprogramme under way

- **Feature of the deliverable.** Attention is drawn on the feature of this supplementary deliverable. This Critical Synthesis Report (CS) is strictly connected to the supplementary workshop itself. The purpose of this kind of interim documents to be issued during the Task development is to provide official evidence of the contributions of Task experts and stakeholders and of the exchanged comments during the workshop of the Task – in this case, the supplementary one to be held in Groningen on October 27th 2005. It will contain the presentations and a structured report of processed comments and remarks made by the attending people. The content of these discussions usually represents one of the most important achievements of the events; such written evidences prevent from loss of these valuable information. This material will be processed by the OA with the assistance of the task experts. Therefore, the CS will be a result of a joint effort of all the parties involved in the task, according to the requirements of the work-programme,
It must also be considered that the gained information reported in all the CS will be re-organised in a more synthetic and finalised Final Report, once the Task is completed. Resources devoted to CS turn out to better quality of the Final Report.
- **Extra cost and labour.** This extension shall not involve extra cost-sharing for any of the six Participants. Nevertheless, a supplementary task-sharing (i.e. supplementary resources to be assigned by each Participant to their appointed Experts as a consequence of the greater time extension of the Task) should also be considered by each Participant.

3 Ballot procedure

The present proposal is submitted for a ballot to the ExCo members of the Countries involved in the Task 14. An answer to this ballot is expected within three weeks after receiving this proposal. Explicit and unanimous approval is requested to ExCo members to modify the task content and duration as proposed. In case the agreement is not reached, the original budget of 90000 Euro will be kept; task work-plan and scheduling will not be modified either. Netherlands will then decide about his position (including a possible withdrawal form the Task) in next ExCo meeting.