

In the aftermath of the UNFCCC COP13 in Bali, technology transfer was established as one of the major focus areas of the UN system's work on climate change. With its wealth of programmes, tools and instruments for delivery, the UN system provides a broad foundation for inducing and facilitating a transition to a low-carbon economy. UN-Energy combines the relevant experience of some 20 UN agencies in the areas of energy efficiency, renewable energy and energy access.

Side Event

Niels Bohr Room Bella Center 16 December 2009 13:00 to 14:30

International Cooperation on

Technology Transfer Time for Action

Featuring heads of UN-DESA, UNDP, UNIDO, UNEP, IRENA, GEF, WIPO, UN Foundation and India's Ministry of Environment and Forests



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This side event

will focus on actions, programmes and strategies for the transfer and deployment of clean technologies and for promoting energy for sustainable development, with particular emphasis on international cooperation.

Participants will have the opportunity

to discuss the major issues and international cooperation programmes involving technology transfer including:

- >> UN-ENERGY: Cooperation for Improved Delivery
- >> Regional Platforms and Energy Technologies for Development
- >> Renewable Energy Technologies
- >> Technology Needs Assessments
- >> The Poznan Strategic Programme on Technology Transfer
- >> Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer

Technology is central and fundamental

to addressing climate change with due regard to the imperatives of national economic growth, energy security, and sustainable development. Consequently, there is an urgent need to accelerate the large scale, global deployment of environmentally sound and climate friendly technologies. The time lag between their initial development and final adoption, particularly in the developing countries, must be minimized. This can be achieved only through enhanced and sustained international cooperation.

Programme

Chair Mr. Sha Zukang,

Under Secretary-General, UN-DESA

Special Guests H.E. Mr. Jairam Ramesh,

Minister, Ministry of Environment and

Forests, Government of India

Ms. Helen Clark, *Administrator, UNDP*

Panel I: Energy for Sustainable Development

Mr. Kandeh Yumkella, Director-General, UNIDO

Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director, UNEP

Ms. Helene Pelosse, Director General, IRENA

Panel II: Strategies for Transfer and Deployment of Clean Technologies

Ms. Monique Barbut, CEO and Chairperson, GEF

Mr. Francis Gurry,
Director-General, WIPO

Concluding Remarks

Mr. Timothy Wirth, President, UN Foundation