

Joint Commitment to Accelerate the Transformation Towards a Net Zero Energy System through the Clean Energy Transitions Programme

Preamble

Recognising that climate change is a global challenge we must address collectively, and that increased ambition for an IEA that is “fit for purpose” in view of the pathways to global net zero emissions by 2050, and equipped to advise and guide Members in their secure, sustainable, and affordable clean energy transitions is required as laid out in the 2022 IEA Ministerial mandates;

Stressing the need for urgent policy action to accelerate energy transitions and increased investment in clean energy projects and infrastructure to sustain energy security and affordability throughout the implementation of the Paris Agreement and the related efforts to limit global warming to 1.5 °C;

Acknowledging that clean energy transitions will happen faster and more effectively through international collaboration, when learning is shared, and when actions are coordinated to accelerate innovation and the diffusion of technologies through global markets;

Recognising that those countries that are in a position to move further faster, have a responsibility to take action accordingly including sharing experiences and supporting the acceleration of clean energy transitions of others;

Noting that at the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (**COP26**) in 2021 leaders committed to work together, including through the launch of the Glasgow Breakthroughs, which aim to make clean technologies and sustainable solutions the most affordable, accessible and attractive option in each emitting sector globally before 2030;

Applauding the excellent results achieved since 2017 under the IEA Clean Energy Transitions Programme (**CETP**) in amplifying the reach of the IEA and its policy guidance by leveraging IEA Members’ clean energy commitments and the unparalleled expertise from across the Agency to support and accelerate global clean energy transitions, particularly in major emerging economies as well as at regional level in Africa, Latin America, and Southeast Asia;

Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States and the European Commission, on behalf of the European Union endorsed a joint commitment to a *decade of action*:

Joint commitment

We, the CETP Funders, reaffirm our joint commitment through the CETP to further strengthen IEA capabilities to accelerate the transformation towards a global net zero energy system, in line with the IEA’s strengthened clean energy mandates and Programme of Work. We recognise the CETP as an important vehicle for delivering the IEA’s new mandates, and reaffirm that the aim of the CETP is to *accelerate the global transformation to a net zero energy system through a secure and people-centred transition*.

To give action to our commitment, we announce our intention to work together to make available a collective annual fund of around EUR 20 Million and, in response to the decade of action, we affirm our intention to further strengthen financial support through to 2030¹.

¹ This is without prejudice to national and intergovernmental budget procedures. The figure is an estimate based on historical and potential contributions from the signatories.

Collective strategy

Through the CETP, we continue to support the IEA to provide cutting-edge technical support to governments whose energy policies will significantly impact the speed of, and prospect for, realising global net zero emissions by 2050 through a secure and people centred transition. We welcome the development of a common CETP strategic framework with action across three areas:

1. **Accelerating national transitions** – supporting emerging and developing economies to develop and implement timely strategies for achieving national clean energy transition goals in line with the Paris Agreement temperature goals and sustainable development objectives.
2. **Strengthening multilateral coordination** – facilitating international collaboration to scale up innovation and deployment of clean energy sources and technologies, energy efficiency and transition demand sectors as well as tracking progress towards global clean energy objectives, including in partnership with other relevant initiatives and platforms.
3. **Informing global energy dialogue** – developing greater international understanding of barriers and environmentally sustainable solutions for the development and deployment of clean energy technologies, unlocking related investment as part of a secure and people-centred transition.

While retaining the flexible approach that has been core to the success of the CETP since 2017, we agree to enhance coordination of the CETP to ensure greater impact, coherence and operational efficiency. In this respect, we welcome the development of collective CETP strategy planning and a more streamlined reporting structure. We request to improve the governance structure to better reflect the views of the CETP funders, to further improve operational efficiency and increase the programme's transparency to better showcase CETP impacts and success stories.

We recognise the importance of predictable and adequate funding for the CETP and we commit to consider an indicative annual funding amount to support each annual work programme, in a timely manner before the start of the respective new annual work programme.

In the longer term and in line with the 2022 IEA Ministerial mandates, we may opt to explore the potential utility of a more formalised structure to further enhance the CETP to support countries in an orderly clean energy transition.

A commitment to working collaboratively

We recognise the CETP is a key means to further implement the IEA's modernisation strategy. As such, the CETP strengthens the mandates from the 2017, 2019, and 2022 IEA Ministerial meetings. The CETP will be further enhanced by cross-IEA coordination to ensure cost-effective efforts encompassing all relevant parts of clean energy systems.

We believe that all IEA Members and the broader IEA Family will benefit from further enhancement of the CETP and the strengthened capacity and impact of the IEA. We jointly express our strong interest to welcome all IEA Family governments to join forces in supporting this joint commitment to accelerate the transformation towards a net zero energy system through the Clean Energy Transitions Programme.