

EU-India Clean Energy & Climate Partnership Study Tour Concept Note

(as of 26 March 2018)

BACKGROUND

As part of the on-going EU-India Clean Energy & Climate Partnership, a study tour for Indian officials is planned to take place from April 8th to April 14th 2018 in Brussels and Copenhagen area. The tour shall be arranged for Indian national and state administration officials. Costs for board, lodge and cultural activities shall be borne by the European Union. The overall objective of the tour is to deepen EU-Indian climate diplomacy relationships by showcasing relevant experiences in climate change issues. The study tour shall provide a platform for interacting of the India partner with EU officials, local governments, public authorities, European companies and research centres with expertise in specific climate policy areas of interest for India. In this, the study tour creates value for Indian government officials and helps to outline the requirements for successful implementation of NDCs in India. Further, the visit shall provide the opportunity to Indian officials to share the experience of their efforts towards promoting climate change adaptations measures carried out in India and foster exchange of ideas.

OUTLINE

As part of the study tour, Indian officials will engage with high-level EU-officials and country representatives working in the realm of climate change mitigation and adaptation across the European Union and its member states. Geographically, the first part of the study tour will be held in Brussels, Belgium, followed by another series of meetings in Copenhagen, Denmark. The tour will be accompanied by adelphi senior staff who will provide technical inputs and facilitate interactions on the ground. In addition to diverse technical inputs, the study tour shall provide room for cultural activities at selected sites across Belgium and Denmark. A detailed programme is provided in Annex I.

The first part of the study tour shall be held in Brussels, Belgium, and will involve representatives from the Directorate General Climate Action (DG CLIMA) and other services of the European Commission. DG CLIMA shall provide first-hand insights regarding the EU 2020 climate agenda, approaches to climate change adaptation and mitigation, covering (inter alia) market-based instruments such as the European Union Emissions Trading System (EU ETS) or incentive structure to promote clean energy supply. Furthermore, representatives from the Belgian government and the City of Brussels shall provide inputs on the country's national climate actions and will city-level measures through the Brussels Climate plan. In addition to these meetings, Indian officials shall engage with private sector representatives, e.g. in the realm of state-of-the-art technologies in Green Cooling and innovative air conditioning and low-GWP refrigerants. A further option will be attending a workshop with European experts on prospects of long-term climate action strategies and how India and EU can jointly approach this challenge.

The second part of the study tour will be held in Copenhagen, Denmark. Over the course of two days, the delegation will touch base with officials from the European Environment Agency (EEA) and exchange experiences on policies dealing with climate change mitigation and adaptation. Particular



attention will be directed towards target setting, monitoring and evaluation within the current European climate change and energy framework while also highlighting lessons learnt and potential pitfalls within the Indian context. Moreover, meetings between the Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark (MoEFD) and the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA) shall be facilitated. These institutions shall provide in-depth insights into national climate change policies. As part of the EU LIFE programme, the Danish government has been awarded a grant for implementation of Climate Action project called Coast to Coast. The project follows and integrated approach to flood risk management and seeks to enhance resources and capabilities of citizens, municipalities, utilities and companies in the water industry. Based on experiences gained throughout implementation of this project, Danish officials will share first-hand insights regarding the effectiveness of climate change funding mechanisms.

Complementing the above mentioned activities, the delegation will meet representatives from the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) at the UN City in Copenhagen. Sessions offered during these meetings shall cover UNEP's Climate Change Strategy and Energy Programme as well as technology transfer within the Climate Technology Centre & Network (CTCN). The study tour will end with a guided tour through the Green UN City, followed by a session on energy efficiency in climate change by the Copenhagen Centre on Energy Efficiency as part of the Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL) initiative.



Annex I. Study Tour Programme

Sunday, April 8 th 2018	Monday, April 9 th 2018	Tuesday, April 10 th 2017	Wednesday, April 11 st 2018	
*all programme element	ts are subject to confirmation. Additional or a	Iternative elements can still be included	•	
	Bus transfer	8:30 – 9:00 Bus transfer	9:00 – 9:30 Bus transfer	
Arrival at Brussels Airport & joint bus transfer to hotel	 9:00 – 12:00 EU presentations European Commission Visitor Center Introductions to European Policy making and the history of the EU EU / India cooperation 	9:00 – 10:30 Climate Action in Belgium	9:30 – 12:30 DG CLIMA (alternative options)	
		10:30 – 12:00 City-level actions: The case of Brussels <i>City of Brussels</i> <i>Introduction to Brussels Climate Plan and climate pilot projects</i>	Bilateral discussion on climate topics of interest DG-CLIMA Bilateral or small group conversations with selected DG CLIMA representatives will be arranged. Topics may include mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology, etc.	Expert workshop on long-term climate strategies DG-CLIMA Long-term climate strategies are of crucial importance for successful implementation of the Paris Agreement: experts and policy makers will discuss entry points for India-EU cooperation
	12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break	12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break & bus transfer	14:00 – 15:00 Bus transfer to Brussels Airport	
	DG-CLIMA Introduction to European climate policy;	13:30 – 15:00 Private sector presentations <i>EPEE – European Partnership for Energy and the Environment</i> Private sector contributions to mitigation and adaptation, particularly in the area of green cooling and energy efficiency	15:00 – 18:00 Check-in and flight to Copenhagen Departure Brussels 16:05; arrival Copenhagen 17:30	
		 15:00 – 17:00 Explore sustainable urban development options Brussels city tour to visit Brussels Environment Projects Quartiers Durables Brussel Renewable Energy House 		
		17:00 – 17:30 Bus transfer to hotel	17:30 – 18:30 Bus transfer to hotel	
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	18:30 – 21:00 Welcome dinner			



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Thursday, April 12th 2018	Friday, April 13 nd 2018	Saturday, 2018	April 14 ^{ra}			
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9:30 – 10:00 Bus transfer	8:30 – 9:00 Bus transfer					
10:00 – 11:00 Climate action in Denmark <i>Danish Ministry of Energy, Utilities and Climate, Climate Office</i> Introduction to national policies on climate mitigation and adaptation	 9:00 – 10:30 EEA presentation <i>European Environment Agency (EEA)</i> Introduction to climate change mitigation and adaptation at EEA 9:00 – 9:30 Presentation on the EEA's work in the area of climate mitigation 					
11:00 – 11:30	 9:30 – 10:00 Presentation on the EEA's work in the area of climate adaptation 10:00 – 10:30 Q&A 10:30 – 11:00 	_				
Bus transfer	Bus transfer to hotel	4				
11:30 – 13:00 Energy Efficiency in Climate Change Copenhagen Centre on Energy Efficiency Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL EE Hub)	11:00 – 12:30 Flagship programme climate action <i>C2C CC Secretariat</i> EU LIFE Integrated Projects Climate Action: Coast to Coast Climate Challenge (C2C CC)					
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break	12:30 – 14:00 Lunch break	Departu Copenhag	en Airport			
14:00 – 15:30 UN presentations <i>UNEP</i> UNEP DTU Partnership: Introduction to Climate Change Strategy and Energy Programme	14:00 – 16:00 Copenhagen Green Capital tour <i>CALL Copenhagen / EnergyLab Nordhavn</i> Copenhagen 'green capital' tour; focus on mitigation and adaptation strategies in the urban context	- (indeper	idently)			
15:30 – 17:00 UN presentations <i>UNDP/ UNIDO</i> Climate Technology Centre and Network: connecting countries to climate technology solutions	16:00 – 18:00 Bus transfer to hotel and individual activities					
17:00 – 18:00 UN City Tour <i>UN City</i> Guided tour through Green UN City; focus on smart and energy efficient buildings and LEED certification						
Overnight stay in Copenhagen	Overnight stay in Copenhagen]				



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