

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY
ENERGY TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS ANALYSIS PROGRAMME

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FINAL MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 19 OCTOBER 1995

Location: Keihanna Plaza, Kansai Science City, Japan

Country representatives:

Mr. John Hollins (chairman)	Canada
Mr. Yoshinori Ando (vice-chairman)	Japan
Mr. David Swan (vice-chairman)	United Kingdom
Mrs. Denise van Regenmortel (for Mrs. Vanderstraeten)	Belgium
Mr. Wilhelm Kuckshinrichs (Mr. Hake)	Germany
Mr. Giancarlo Tosato	Italy
Mr. Remko Ybema	Netherlands
Mr. Fridtjof Unander	Norway
Mr. Clas-Otto Wene (for Mr. Staffan Håkansson)	Sweden
Mr. Sokrates Kypreos	Switzerland
Mr. Phillip Tseng	United States

Not represented: CEU

Guests:

Mr. Osamu Sato, JAERI, Japan
Mr. Ken Noble, ABARE, Australia
Mr. Douglas Hill, USA
Mr. Gary Goldstein, DecisionWare Inc., USA
Mr. Gilbert Lissens, VITO, Belgium
Mrs. Faten Al-Awadh, KISR, Kuwait
Mr. Tom Kram, Project Head ETSAP, Netherlands

Opening

The Chair welcomed members, in particular Mr. Yoshiaki Ando, STA, Japan and Mr. Phillip Tseng, DOE, USA, who were attending their first ETSAP meeting.

1. Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the following additions: Financial Reporting, Intention to Participate in Annex VI, and a Mandate for a New Generation of Tools, to read as follows:

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting of 12 May, 1995
 - Business Arising
3. Annex V
 - Final Report of Annex V
 - Contributions to other Projects
 - Participation in Annex V
 - Membership and Associate Membership Applications
 - Report on 6th Workshop
 - Strategic Plan
 - Financial Report
4. Continuation after 1995
 - Extension of Annex V
 - Proposal for Annex VI
 - Procedure for Preparation of Annex VI
 - Intention to Participate in Annex VI
 - Mandate for a New Generation of Tools
5. Other business
 - Next Meeting(s)

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 1995 May 12 were adopted with minor amendments (attached).

3. Annex V

The meeting took note of the proposed outline of the Final Report of Annex V. The Operating Agent invited Participants to respond at their earliest convenience. The Operating Agent agreed to provide a standard template to facilitate reporting on work with MACRO-MARKAL.

The meeting took note of contributions from ETSAP to many other projects, in particular: collecting, reviewing and validating data for IEA; cross references to ETSAP in the home pages on the World Wide Web for several IEA Implementing Agreements; a contracted study with supplements for the IEA Electricity and Environment Study; a contribution by Giancarlo Tosato to an OECD study on environmental impacts of support to the energy sector; and initial discussions on a potential contribution to an IEA study on the economic impacts of greenhouse gas mitigation

strategies for the next Conference of the Parties of the Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The meeting agreed that it would be desirable for ETSAP to contribute to this IEA study for the COP. It took note of the intention of the USA, and perhaps of other Participants, to provide resources in kind. It decided that any substantial consulting work done by the Operating Agent beyond normal representation on behalf of ETSAP would require additional funding from the IEA or other sources.

The Operating Agent reported that there were no changes in the number of Participants in Annex V.

The Chair reported that proposals for membership in ETSAP by Turkey and associate membership by South Korea were being processed by the IEA Secretariat. Turkey has already paid an initial fee. The meeting was pleased that the IEA Secretariat had been represented at the Japan Seminar preceding the ETSAP workshop and Executive Committee meeting. It noted, however, that for the second consecutive time it did not have the benefit of Secretariat staff present to provide it with first-hand information and advice at the Executive Committee meeting itself.

The Executive Committee unanimously invited the Government of the Czech Republic or any entity designated by it to participate in the Agreement. The Chair undertook to communicate with the Czech authorities in close consultation with Dr. David Swan. The meeting took note of the possible interest of Kuwait in becoming an associate member of ETSAP; members agreed to consult their national authorities on this matter.

The Chair thanked the Japanese hosts, in particular Dr. Osamu Saro, for the excellent arrangements for the Seminar, the ETSAP Workshop and Executive Committee meeting.

The Operating Agent agreed to provide a report on progress with respect to the Strategic Plan to the next meeting.

The meeting received an oral report on the financial position of ETSAP. The Operating Agent agreed, in consultation with the Chair, to develop and present regular written financial reports.

4. Continuation

It was noted that the duration of Annex V was extended to 1996 June 30 by the previous meeting, without any further regular financial contributions.

The draft 2 proposal for Annex VI, as amended in the discussion at the workshop immediately preceding this meeting, was adopted for submission to national authorities. It was agreed that members would make best efforts to advise the Operating Agent at the earliest opportunity, and no later than 1995 December 15 if at all possible, of any further amendments that might be requested. If any substantive amendments are received, they will be circulated forthwith to all members.

A final version will be distributed on December 15 and members will then be invited to inform the Executive Director of the IEA of their intention to participate in Annex VI. The Chair observed that the Executive Committee has the authority to amend an Annex at any time by unanimous consent.

Most current members (8 or 9) indicated that it is probable that they will participate in Annex VI. The remainder all hope to participate, subject to financial considerations. There are clear prospects for a former member to participate in Annex VI as well as the new countries mentioned above.

Following a frank discussion, the meeting decided that the aims of a proposal in principle for new work with other partners along the following lines:

- data handling and connections to networks, and
- the next generation of system models,

are desirable. The Executive Committee agreed that it will be prepared to receive detailed proposals, no later than 1 month before its next meeting, from any reliable source.

5. Other Business

The meeting noted with regret the passing of Dr. Giancarlo Pinchera, a former member of the Executive Committee and a strong friend of ETSAP.

The meeting agreed with a proposal from Mr. Gilbert Lissens to hold the next ETSAP Workshop and Executive Committee meeting at Leuven, starting with a technical session on May 2 or 3 (to be determined closer to the time when the extent of the work to be done is clearer), and continuing the following week. The committee was pleased with the proposal for a joint seminar on May 6 & 7 with the IEA CERT Expert Group on Energy Technology Assessment and R&D Priority Setting and noted with appreciation the assistance offered to Mr. Lissens by Mr. George Marsh of ETSU. The ETSAP workshop and Executive Committee meeting will be held May 8, 9, and 10.