

Assessment of the PEEREA review process

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Background Information

- o The Energy Charter Protocol on Energy Efficiency entered into force on 16 April 1998
- o December 1998 adopting Terms of Reference (ToR)

Organising periodic reviews are a core part of PEEREA WG activities over the years and key mechanism to assess the Protocol's obligations.

- Serving as a forum for identifying options for specific energy efficiency measures and programmes
 - Developing proposals for specific activities under the Protocol
 - Reporting to the Charter Conference on the implementation of the Protocol every year
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- 63 Regular Reviews + 28 In-depth Reviews

The Energy Charter Conference, taking note of the report adopted by the Strategy Group on the 'Review conducted under Article 34(7) of the ECT in 2014, concluded that it is a high priority for PEEREA WG to undertake a comprehensive assessment of the PEEREA review 'the process, content and objectives'.



I. Assessment of PEEREA Review Process by the Signatories

- o **PEEREA WG conducted an assessment among signatories via questionnaire (Annex 1)**

- o **The answers are grouped into three main sections:**
 - **The first one assess the objective and benefits for both reviewed and non-reviewed countries, but also the proposals for improvements**
 - **The second part is assessing the content of the review report**
 - **The final part is looking into the future priorities of the PEEREA WG activities**



1. Review Process and Objective (1)

- o Most countries consider the review reports very satisfactory and a good tool for assessment of the progress

The main objective of the report is **the exchange of information with other members which** Benefits for both reviewed countries and for non-reviewed countries, who are obtaining information in all aspects for countries that are little known policies, strategies, specific projects, financing structures

The review allow insights into specific countries in the field of energy policy, which is beneficial for different stakeholders in term of improving their strategy in the country. The active participation in a review of another country could be beneficial for acquiring knowledge on EE and identifying investments and technology transfer opportunity.

and a peer review team should to be a part of the review process

Offer the possibility for independent evaluation and monitoring of the results regarding the implementation of concrete recommendations.

- o Majority of countries support the development of **official public launch of the review results** to be accompanied with a special event
- o Some support the development of a review schedule on an annual basis in order to better plan resources in both ECS and the review country

Other support that only target countries may submit their reviews depending on their voluntary efforts.



1. Review Process and Objective (2)

Potential Changes

- o New activities, which will encourage all members to provide feedbacks for the review and/or participation of each country in the review process
- o Improving the implementation process
- o Providing information for IFIs and their requirements regarding the accessibility of funds
- o In order not to lose actuality of the report, it should be updated more often and should take into account the results of other similar studies developed by other organisations
- o Providing valuable consultations and helping with the practical implementation of recommendations
- o Emphasising more the investments opportunities which are protected by ECT



2. Content of the Review

o Majority of parties find the content of the review clear enough and well structured, providing all necessary information

o Most useful information in the report is identified **the energy efficiency policy**

financing)
The report covers all aspects of EE, as well as recommendations to improve the current situation.

The energy efficiency policy implementation (projects including cooperation with international organizations, financing) need be removed from the review report.
Interest is given.

- Policy support needs to improving delivery of energy efficiency
- Charter efficiency projects
- Energy efficiency projects looking for financing, donors and interested IFI



3. PEEREA Activities and Operation Mode

- o Within the context of PEEREA WG activities to provide policy support, contracting parties consider that the future focus should be given mainly to following activities:

Continuing to serve as forum for identifying options for specific EE policies and programmes best suited to the circumstances of individual countries in accordance with basic principals outlined in Article 3 (2) of the Protocol

advanced technology and best practices among Members, Observers and Outreach states,

Exploring ways of associating donor organisations in the country review and monitoring process; and identify together with them policy support activities to assist countries in the effective implementation of the recommended measures.

Promoting specific technology solutions (e.g. cogeneration etc.) through dissemination of information, organising specific commercial event.

Continuing to promote EE investment and facilitate cooperation between different stakeholders in order to increase the flow

Organising capacity building activities (e.g. with IAP) for contracting parties to better understand best practices and advantages of EE advanced technologies.

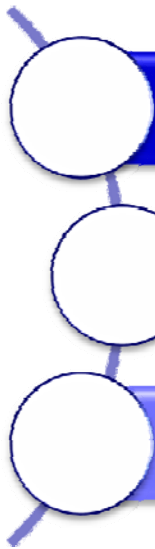
Countries are in favour that the group should take necessary steps towards raising the status

Regular provision of information on EE advanced technologies and best practices.



II. Assessment of PEEREA Review Process by Other Organisations (1)

- o The review report are **well known** and used in term of supportive background document for identifying country activities/projects
- o Considered important and effective for the ongoing work on EE
- o Most of the interviewed bodies participated in the In-depth EE country reviews process
- o Difficulties to implement most of recommendations
- o New activities suggested by external stakeholders to be considered:



Providing additional information on current and potential projects including capacity building and technical assistance needs in different sectors

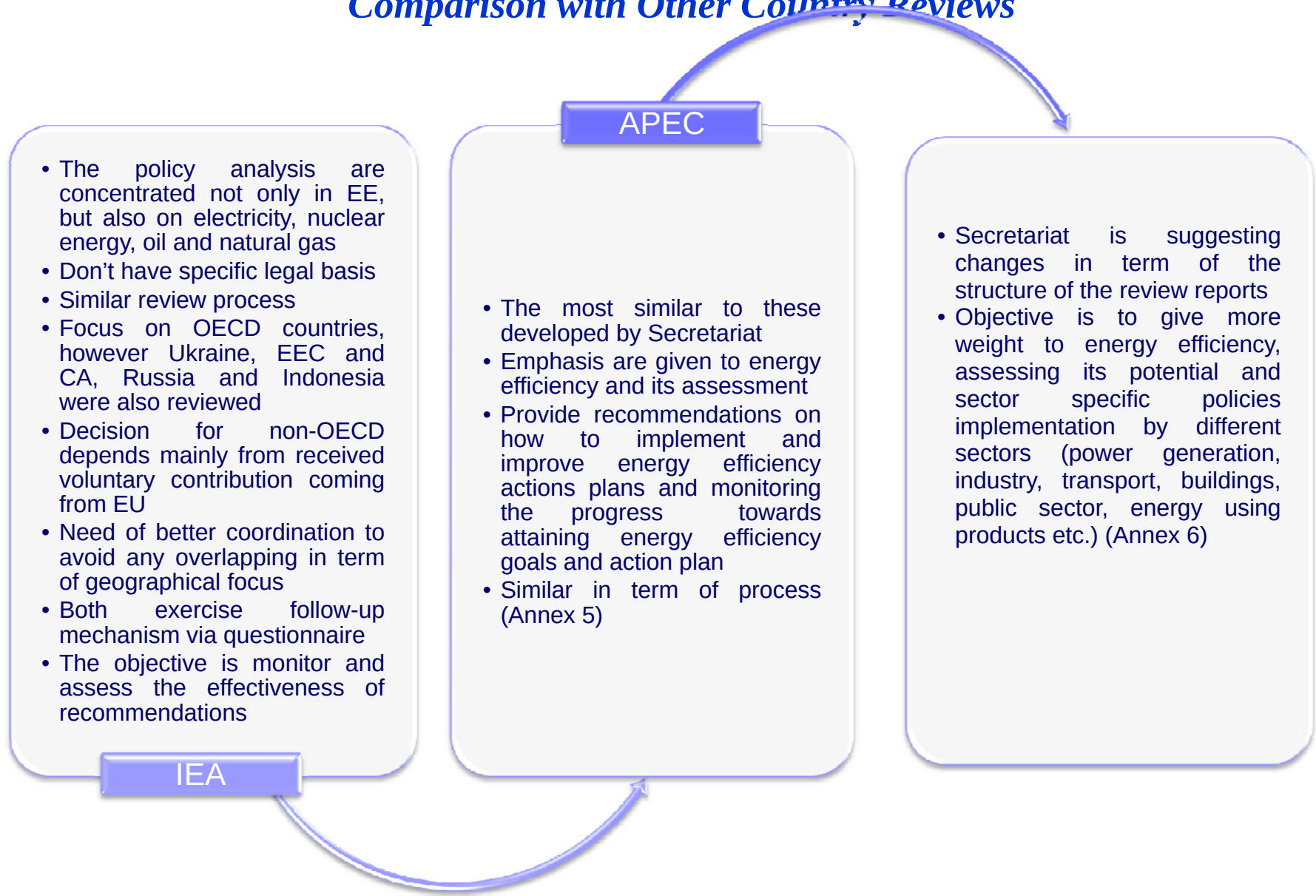
Providing information with more focus on EE for different subsectors (manufacturing, transport, residential building, agriculture etc.)

Exploring additional information on statistical database for different sectors/companies could al



II. Assessment of PEEREA Review Process by Other Organisations (2)

Comparison with Other Country Reviews





Conclusion and Recommendations

- o Should continue to developed In-depth EE review reports, based on its unique characteristics, effectiveness and reliability
- o Continue to serve as a forum for identifying options for specific energy efficiency policies and programmes best suited to the circumstances of individual countries.
- o Develop further Charter Efficiency Project Notification mechanism (Annex 2)
- o Continue to promote EE investment and facilitate cooperation between different stakeholders in order to increase the flow of energy efficiency investment
- o Developing a new type of “review” – Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Market opportunities, focused on RES and EE market opportunities for manufacturers, importers and energy service companies (Annex 3)
- o Taking necessary steps towards rising the status of the PEEREA Working Group to a Standing Group format
- o Additionally consider a discussion on cooperation in the R&D environmentally sound offshore energy-related technologies (Annex 4)



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