

Energy Efficiency on the Web

< <http://www.aeinetwork.org/reep/> >

REEP (Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership) South Asian Secretariat's newly launched website is a storehouse of information for those interested in sustainable energy use. A gateway to the world of energy efficiency at the click of a button, the website is currently being enhanced with more inputs and information. Among the enhancements planned are useful link to case studies, country reports, projects, database, publication and events. The website also encourages visitors to join REEEP and subscribe to the REEEP International newsletter.

REEEP – a public – private partnership – was launched by the United Kingdom along with other partners at the Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development in August 2002, and is funded by a number of governments. The partnership actively structures policy initiatives for clean energy markets and facilitates financing mechanisms for sustainable energy projects.

The REEEP South Asian Secretariat endeavors to provide a fillip to regional activities built around renewable energy and energy efficiency development. This is proposed to be achieved through a forum for leading energy experts and decision-makers to discuss and promote the role of renewable and energy-efficient technologies; communicating relevant information, and data to governments, financial institutions, and industry leaders; and through cooperation with relevant international and regional organizations and financial institutions.

The South Asian Secretariat's website features a section on case studies that aims to build a storehouse of best practices in policy, regulatory, financing, and institutional networking. The case studies would document specific interventions, their implementation and impact, and the lessons learned in order to aid replication. 'Country Reports' links to a section that would contain reports pertaining to different mechanisms and instruments adopted by countries in South Asian region for the promotion of REES (renewables and energy efficiency systems), including different initiatives in the fields of policy, regulation, financing, and awareness generation.

The section on projects would provide the visitor with details about REEEP projects in the South Asian region. A project document on capacity building among RET (renewable energy technology) policy-makers and regulators has already been uploaded for the benefit of interested visitors. The website also plans an extensive database of experts and organizations playing key roles in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency, including the REEEP International Secretariat and TERI, a key partner.

Other enhancements planned for the website include links to crucial publications like country reports, papers, monographs, and other relevant material. Likewise, the events section will host announcements to important events related to renewable energy and energy efficiency, particularly in the South Asian region. Currently, the website has announced the launch of the REEEP South Asian Secretariat in New Delhi and Environmex Asia 2005 in Singapore.

The website would also make calls for proposals for disbursement of funds in the area of energy efficiency.

Reference Book:

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