



# Methane to Markets

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## **Steering Committee Report**

**4<sup>th</sup> Methane to Markets Steering Committee Meeting**

**Beijing, China, 31-Oct -1 Nov 2007**

# Overview

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- Agenda and topics for discussion
- Key Decisions
- Charge to Subcommittees
- Discussion

# Steering Committee Agenda

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- Reports from Partner Countries
- European Commission joining the Steering Committee
- Progress Reports from Subcommittees
- Review of Expo Outcomes
- Project Network Status
- Outreach and Communication
- Development of Partnership Accomplishments report
- Methane Opportunities Analysis
- Charge to Subcommittees

# Participation

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- 17 of 21 Partner countries were represented
- Steering Committee welcomes the European Commission as its newest member
- Steering Committee plans to meet again in Oct/Nov 2008
  - Subcommittees should meet once in first half of 2008
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008 meeting to be held in conjunction with the Steering Committee meeting

# Subcommittee Reports

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- **Agriculture**
  - Expand to include agri-food waste and slaughterhouse waste
  - Subcommittee to evaluate potential for M2M role in addressing methane mitigation from other agriculture sources (enteric fermentation, rice, biomass)
- **Coal**
  - Country specific strategies
- **Landfill**
  - Added Ecuador as vice-chair of Landfill Subcommittee
  - Necessary to maintain up-to-date roster of active Subcommittee delegates
- **Oil and Gas**
  - Importance of national government involvement in recruiting oil and gas company participation
  - Need to make CH<sub>4</sub> reduction a priority

# Steering Committee Decisions: M2M Expo

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- A great success!
- ASG and Expo Taskforce to develop assessment of current Expo including feedback from private sector attendees
- Tracking project outcomes after meeting
- Steering committee decision to initiate plans for another Expo in next few months
  - Another Expo Taskforce...

# Steering Committee Decisions: Project Network

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- Continue outreach efforts to recruit new PN members and encourage stronger PN participation
- Provide for ways to increase attractiveness of active participation in Project Network
  - ASG and Subcommittees to develop PN member/project recognition criteria
- ASG to provide Partners with quarterly updates of new Project Network members
- Need to conduct periodic review of existing PN partners (e.g. updating contact information)

# Steering Committee Decisions: Outreach and Communication

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- Continue efforts currently under way
  - M2M Website
  - Methane International Newsletter
- Improve press coverage of M2M related activities
- Countries to consider developing materials in their native language to increase dissemination of information to non-English speaking audiences
  - ASG can work with countries to provide links to websites etc...
- Continue to have M2M presence at major conferences (e.g. CSD, COP etc...)

# Steering Committee Decisions: M2M Report and Opportunities Paper

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- M2M Accomplishments report
  - ASG to develop annotated outline (clarify purpose and include suggestions for length)
  - ***Timing to be determined (2008 or 2009)***
  
- Methane Opportunities Analysis
  - *As an outcome of the 2006 SC meeting the ASG prepared a review of available information on methane mitigation opportunities*
  - *Steering committee provided input; ASG to incorporate and revise as outreach piece*
  - *Partners can submit additional ideas and input for next steps for discussion at 2008 steering committee meeting*

# Conclusions

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- Robust discussion at the Steering Committee Level
- Great insights from all country representatives
- Poised for greater success
- Questions?