

Administrative Support Group Update to the 18th Session of the Global Methane Initiative (GMI) Coal Subcommittee

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Overview

- GMI overview
- Steering Committee Charge to Subcommittees
- Partnership-wide 10 year Anniversary Meeting
- New outreach materials and resources
- Revised Action Plan Guidance

Global Methane Initiative (GMI)

Mission:

GMI is a voluntary, multilateral partnership that aims to reduce methane emissions and to advance the abatement, recovery and use of methane as a clean energy source.

- 42 Partner Countries

*“By engaging **partner governments** and **private sector entities**, the Initiative brings together the technical and market expertise, financing, and technology necessary for methane capture and use project development around the world. “*

Project Network Member

- What is a project network (PN) member?

PN member is a community of private-sector entities, financial institutions, and NGOs with an interest in methane abatement, capture and use projects.

Benefits to Project Network members:

- Expand business and increase profits
- Distinguish themselves in the marketplace
- Identify financial and technical support for potential projects
- Gain from cutting-edge news and information
- Submit project ideas and activities to the subcommittees

Project Network Member

- Over 1,300 organizations
- New Logo
- How do I become a PN member?
 - Go to the GMI website
<http://globalmethane.org/project-network/index.aspx>
 - Complete our non-binding online Agreement Form
 - Once your application has been processed, you will receive an e-mail confirmation

Methane Expo Update

- Successful Methane Expo 2013
 - Vancouver, Canada in March 2013
 - Over 450 attendees representing 44 countries

"We are here together for one simple reason and that is that methane matters. It matters in our fight against global warming, in the quality of our air, water cycle, and crop yields. And it matters to our health."

The Honourable Peter Kent,
Minister of the Environment of Canada,
Methane Expo 2013 keynote speech



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Charge to Subcommittees

- Continue engaging with Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)
- Financing: Continue to identify barriers and international coal needs
- Organize next opportunity to convene global methane community
- 10 year Anniversary
- Action Planning

10 year Anniversary

- 10 years of global methane reductions and methane education
- Partnership-wide Meeting
 - 2014 is our 10 year anniversary!
 - Still in the planning stage
 - Possibly in October 2014

Video and Tri-fold

- To highlight GMI's accomplishments:
 - Develop video and pamphlet
 - Details will be forth coming on how Partners can participate.
 - Anticipate a call for any video footage available.
 - Please submit any videos to the ASG (asg@globalmethane.org)

Outreach and Communication

- No Grants Solicitation for 2013 or 2014
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Biogas Tri-Subcommittee Meeting: March 12 - 13, 2014, Santa Catarina, Brazil
 - Steering Committee Meeting: Location TBD, Date: March/April 2014
 - Oil and Gas Subcommittee Meeting: May 2014, San Antonio, TX

Climate and Clean Air Coalition:

- The First global effort to treat *short-lived climate pollutants* as an urgent and collective challenge.
- Voluntary and country-led coalition launched 2012 by 6 governments and UNEP to:
 - Raise awareness of SLCP impacts and mitigation strategies;
 - Enhance and develop new national and regional actions, identify and overcome barriers, enhance capacity and mobilize support;
 - Promote best practices and showcase successful efforts; and
 - Improve scientific understanding of SLCP.
- Since the launch, CCAC has grown to *59 Partners* (30 national governments, the European Commission, and 29 non-state partners)
- *Coalition Trust Fund*—Total of more than \$14 million USD in pledges.



Action Planning

- Develop Country Action Plans Country's current and future work in methane reduction
- Could be part of country's climate strategy such as NAMAs

Benefit:

- 1) More communication in the global community
 - 2) Guide can help identify country's needs and opportunities for methane reductions
- Revised Action Planning guidance as of July 2013:
www.globalmethane.org

U.S., European Commission, and Pakistan have completed their Action Plans

Additional Information

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