

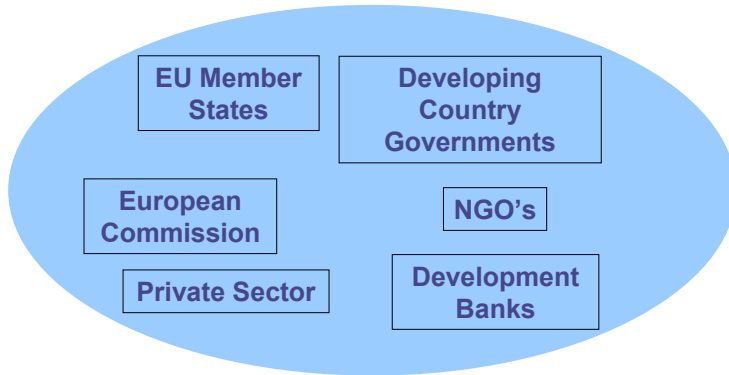
COOPENER Priorities and projects

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COOPENER - Main Objectives (within EU Energy Initiative)

- Capacity building on energy for sustainable development and poverty alleviation, i.e. addresses the role of energy in poverty eradication
- Integration of sustainable energy as a general component of development strategy and maximising the benefits of local resources
- Activities should be up-stream and complementary to support which may later be provided in the frame of other community/bilateral development cooperation programmes.

**Partnerships with Developing Countries and EU Member States -
providing co-financing for projects aiming at creating the
institutional and capacity conditions for improved access to energy**



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- Addresses the objectives via two angles:
 - Energy policies, legislation and market conditions
 - Capacity building in the largest sense of the local energy expertise
- Concentrates on the 'poorest' countries in Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America and Asia

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Geographical Priorities – address the poorest countries in the three continents :

- ▶ **Sub-Saharan Africa**
- ▶ **Latin America**
- ▶ **Asia: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Vietnam**

Five COOPENER proposals for Asia were successful and are now ready for immediate negotiation

- **Three proposals cover Cambodia and Laos, of which one includes also Vietnam**
- **Two proposals cover Indonesia, of which one also includes Bangladesh**

The main issues :

- Integrated energy and development policies, leading to facilitation of investments
- Linking of microfinance mechanisms, RES technologies and the development of SMEs
- Two proposals develop capacity building on regional energy policy, which facilitates the development of energy projects
- One proposal combines the definition of rural electrification programs for identified zones with training of local entrepreneurs

- IEE programme website,
http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/index_en.html

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Details of the support which will become available over the period of the new financial perspectives (2007 – 2013) are still being worked out. However, it is already clear that :

- Geographic programmes may address energy, which is a priority in the context of the Community's external policies
- COOPENER II will lie within the new Thematic Programme on "Environment and Natural Resources including Energy"
- FP7 will include International Cooperation on energy research

Thank you for your attention