

## IEA Clean Energy Transitions Programme: Launch Document

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On 7 November 2017, Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, the European Commission, Germany, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom have joined together to launch the “IEA Clean Energy Transitions Programme.” This Programme will more fully leverage IEA Members’ clean energy commitment and the IEA’s unparalleled, across-the-board energy expertise to better support and help accelerate global clean energy transitions, particularly in major emerging economies.

The Programme will provide cutting-edge technical support to governments whose energy policies will significantly impact the speed of, and prospects for, a global transition toward more sustainable energy production and use, including reductions in greenhouse gas emissions in line with the objectives of the Paris Agreement. Key countries of focus include Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico and South Africa, as well as other IEA Association and Partner countries and regions where the programme can have high impact. The transformative outcomes sought by the Programme entail deep collaboration with respective governments to achieve buy-in and alignment with their needs and priorities – including providing access to energy and reduction of air pollution – and will include iterative discussions, workshops, the use of secondments, and joint work programmes.

The Programme will leverage IEA expertise in five inter-related areas: 1) data and statistics; 2) energy efficiency; 3) renewables, including system integration; 4) policy guidance and modelling; and 5) technology development and innovation. The Programme will build upon existing IEA collaborations with major emerging economies, including the Energy Efficiency in Emerging Economies (E4) programme, the Grid Integration of Variable Renewables (GIVAR) programme, various Clean Energy Ministerial work streams, and a wide variety of other IEA training and capacity-building activities.

The Clean Energy Transitions Programme will support the consolidation and enhancement of IEA activities through a larger, more stable, and multi-year voluntary contribution package, including with support as specified from the following:

- Canada – CDN 1 million dollars
- Denmark – DKK 25 million (EUR 3.36 million)
- European Commission – EUR 3.5 million
- Germany – EUR 6 million
- Sweden – EUR 5.2 million
- Switzerland – CHF 1 million
- United Kingdom – GBP 8 million

In addition to ongoing, bilateral discussions with funders, the Programme will be supported by a funder’s strategy group. This group will allow funders to engage in an ongoing, strategic conversation about the Programme’s development and implementation. Such discussions will ensure IEA efforts are complementary to country-to-country and other multilateral collaborations, including initiatives and campaigns of the Clean Energy Ministerial, IRENA, UN Environment, UNDP and development banks.

This Programme is a key means to further implement the IEA’s modernisation strategy, including the IEA becoming a truly global energy agency and strengthening its role as a hub for clean energy. As such, the Programme advances mandates from various IEA Ministerials. The Programme will be enhanced by cross-IEA coordination to ensure cost-effective efforts encompassing all parts of energy systems. All IEA Members will benefit from mutual sharing of lessons learned, rapid dissemination of technologies, improving IEA analytical capabilities, and strengthening of global data and analysis.

Additional governments are welcome to join the Clean Energy Transitions Programme at any time.