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Notes - IEA Bioenergy Task 36 meeting in Paris 9 January 2017

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Time: 9.00-16.00, Monday January 9 2017

Participants:

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Luc Pelkmans, IEA Bioenergy
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1. Meeting agenda and Workshop on 17th

Inge presented the agenda for the meeting and the programme for the workshop and technical visit. The agenda was approved.

2. Update on ExCo and Task Membership (IJ)

2.1. ExCo 78 Rotorua

Luc made a short presentation/update on matters discussed at the ExCo meeting in Rotorua. There were a number of countries not present at the meeting. There were also discussions about possible new member countries. Russia and Estonia has already been approved as new members but has so far not joined. There are discussions going on with China and although there is an interest to join there are also issues with how it should be financed. India was invited to the Rotorua meeting, Indonesia and Poland are other candidates. There were a quite extensive reporting from the different tasks at the meeting. The next ExCo meeting will be in Gothenburg during May 2017 and then the autumn meeting will be in either Switzerland or Canada during the autumn. The end of triennium conference is planned for San Fransisco autumn of 2018.

2.2. Membership

- Michael Becidian (Sintef) had included the participation in Task 36 in a research grant application, unfortunately the application was not approved so at the moment Norway is still outside the Task but looking at other opportunities to join.
- Inge was in Australia at the Bioenergy Australia Conference in Brisbane. At the conference he spoke with Amy Philbrook at ARENA that funds the Australian participation in other tasks. The contact was positive and there is an interest to join. (Note: there is still an interest but the decision have been postponed)
- Singapore is present at the task meeting, however after the meeting their observer status has run out so they will have to make a decision to join IEA Bioenergy and Task 36 to continue.
- US was also invited to the meeting in Paris but no reply was received.

2.3. Working with other Tasks – Task 33, 32 and 40

There are ongoing discussions about hosting a joint meeting/workshop on the theme of SRF together with T32 and T33. This was planned for the meeting in June in Stockholm. Inge asked about preferences when it came to the dates for that workshop. Dieter informed that he

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is occupied by other business on Thursday that week. It will also coincide with EUBCE conference. (Later note: The workshop has been postponed due to trouble finding a common date that suited all participants)

We will make a study together with T40 on transboundary shipment of waste, it will be done as a master's thesis and the lead will be through T40 and Martin Junginger.

T37 and T42 will also contribute to the workshop on circular economy.

2.4. Communication activities (Webinar)

IEA Bioenergy tries to arrange webinars with a regular interval. They are happy to receive suggestions for topics/that the tasks might do a presentation when they release a report. So the members are encouraged to suggest topics related to their work. The development on SRF was mentioned as one possible topic.

3. **IEA Bioenergy Communication Strategy**

Luc presented the IEA Bioenergy communication strategy (see annex 2). The main aim is that IEA Bioenergy should be an independent body that can provide clear and verified information about bioenergy. IN this role a strategy has been developed:

- Provide a realistic overview of the readiness lvl of different conversion technologies as well as potential benefits and impacts on the market
- To raise public awareness through communication with key stakeholders for the use of biomass as an energy source and to provide clear and verified information on bioenergy
- To strengthen outreach efforts of the TCP to involve interested new member countries, industry and multilateral organisations
- To increase dissemination of information

Reports should contain 2 page summary and short paragraph containing the main messages from the study which then can be distributed through newsletter/social media

Want to move away from task brands and use the overall IEA Bioenergy brand and more focus on spreading the messages from studies through the web, newsletter social media, webinars and workshops. But also leaflets/FAQ and national outreach – and in the national outreach the NTL are a very important player.

4. **Update from Bioenergy Australia 2016 (IJ)**

Inge made a presentation of the small scale energy from waste report in Brisbane in November. There wasn't that much questions on the presentations but at least it gave the opportunity to meet Arena and discuss the possibilities for Australia to join T36. Otherwise there were not that much related to actual waste to energy, most of the presentations on waste to energy were related to residues from agriculture. The programme and some of the presentations are available here: <http://www.bioenergyaustralia.org/pages/bioenergy-australia-conference-2016.html>

5. **Update of ISO TC300**

Giovanni gave an update on the situation on the work on the ISO 300 Solid recovered fuels (see annex 3). The TC had a meeting in Tokyo in November 2016, unfortunately there were only Europeans present at the meeting (except the Japanese delegation). Most of the working groups had meetings in conjunction to the TC-meeting. All the previous Cen-standards were put up as preliminary work items, and during the WG meetings some were put forward to be voted as New work items. The next TC meeting will be in Stockholm in September.

6. **Budget and programme for the year – Agreement on how objectives will be met:**

Inge presented the budget that had been adjusted to cope with the deficit from last triennium.

6.1. Strategic projects (IJ, GC, DS)

6.1.1. Pre-treatment for thermal conversion

It was agreed that Dieter and Giovanni would be the ones responsible for the T36 contribution to the inter task project on pre treatment.

6.2. Progress of other projects

The project on status/development of SRF will partly be done together with the development of a TR in TC300 on guidelines on specifications for selected uses of SRF. Responsible is Italy/Giovanna Martignon.

The project regarding transboundary shipments of waste will start during February. T40 will take the lead on the work but will seek assistance from T36 members. There are some budget allocated if needed for this purpose. Inge will be responsible from T36.

The report on trends and drivers regarding alternative thermal treatment of waste will be done during the second half of 2017 (potentially also in the beginning of 2018). Dieter who is responsible will also contact Lars Waldheim from Sweden who is responsible for the task report on gasification of waste that is produced in T33. This is to avoid that there are too much overlap between the reports.

Inge is also to send orders for the projects to facilitate the administration of the organisations that will be responsible for the projects.

6.3. Workshops

The next workshop is planned for Stockholm in June and would be on the subject of SRF (late note: this has been postponed). And the next workshop after that is considered to be on alternative thermal treatment of waste, to be held in Germany in conjunction with the next task meeting in December.

7. **Follow up on action list from last meeting**

The action points that were not solved yet were a point about newsletter and the provision of polish contact details.

8. **Country reports**

- 8.1. France (see annex 4)
- 8.2. Germany (see annex 5)
- 8.3. Italy (see annex 6)
- 8.4. Singapore (see annex 7)
- 8.5. Sweden (see annex 8)

9. **Items for a newsletter – each country would contribute with at least one item. (All)**

Due to time limitations this point were not really discussed but rather inge asked each member to choose something and send in a text.

10. **Next Meeting**

Next meeting will be in Germany either 4-5 December or 11-12 December (later note: the 4-5 December was later confirmed as meeting dates)

11. **Any other business**

No other business was reported