Agenda Item 2:
Documents in Support of the Review of the Draft Ministerial Declaration

2. Energy Transition in Asia and the Pacific: Pathways to Ensure Access to Affordable, Reliable, Sustainable and Modern Energy for All

- progress been made in all 15 issue areas of the Plan of Action
- significant challenges remain across the board
- Member States have stepped-up cooperative efforts
- The Secretariat supports the implementation of the Plan of Action
II. Energy Transition in Asia and the Pacific: Pathways to Ensure Access to Affordable, Reliable, Sustainable and Modern Energy for All

- identifying energy transition pathways for the Asia-Pacific region through the implementation of SDG 7
  - gaps are identified
  - a range of options are discussed
  - the role of connectivity is analyzed
- to provide guidance and suggestions on how to transform these opportunities into a common regional response and into initiatives aimed at promoting energy transition
III. Report of the Regional Preparatory Meeting of the Second Asian and the Pacific Energy Forum

- The Regional Preparatory Meeting was held on 15 December 2017
- **Expert Working Group on Energy Connectivity**
  - examined the progress, challenges and opportunities regarding energy connectivity
  - expressed the view that there are considerable financial, economic, technical and legal challenges, but overcoming political challenges is an especially important step in energy market development and regional integration
  - agreed to propose to the RPM to include in the draft ministerial declaration the development of a regional roadmap on cross-border electricity connectivity
  - emphasized that the energy transition needs a vision that incorporates access, renewable energy, energy efficiency and cleaner use of fossil fuels
  - agreed to work together on increased data, information- and knowledge-sharing, capacity development and regional cooperation mechanisms