The Terms of Reference for the Northeast Asia Regional Power Interconnection and Cooperation Forum (NEA-RPIC Forum) (draft)

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1. Background

**The initiative:**

Proposed by:
Mr. Yang Kun, Executive President of CEC on *GEI International Conference* in March, 2016
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The first meeting of NEA-RPIC Forum
26-27 October
Beijing, China

The organizers

The supporter

Northeast Asia Regional Power Interconnection and Cooperation Forum
东北亚区域电力联网与合作论坛

Beijing, China

Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization
全球能源互联网发展合作组织

NRDC

International Energy Charter
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The participants

China: [Logos]

Japan: [Logos]

Korea: [Logo]

Mongolia: [Logos]

Russia: [Logos]

International Institutions: [Logos]
A. Opening Session
C. Outcomes of the NEA Regional Power Cooperation Mechanism
D. Presentations on promoting NEA Regional Power Interconnection
E. Discussion on RPIC Forum and NEA Power Cooperation Mechanism

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NEA-RPIC-1
1 Keynote speech
23 Presentations
14 Representatives presented comments on Session E
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Focal Consensus

1. Almost all the presenters emphasized the necessity of the intergovernmental arrangement, driven by multilateral or bilateral cooperation. The Ministry of Energy of Mongolia presented positive response to support intergovernmental arrangement.

2. Many participants from power utilities, transmission companies and consulting institutes suggested: the importance of joint planning study, step by step.

3. Almost all the presenters suggested: The forum should be held regularly, once or twice a year.

4. UN-ESCAP’s important roles in making intergovernmental arrangement, AIIB positive attitude, NRDC suggestions.

5. Some presenters mentioned: political issues, unstable diplomacy, DPRK’s attendance.

6. Summary on the closing session made be CEC: Closer cooperation for efficiency, holding the forum regularly cooperating with international institutions, preparing TOR of the forum.

Draft TOR: Therefore, to facilitate implementation of the target given by NEA-RPIC-1, the participants agreed to creat the platform, NEA-RPIC Forum on the NEA-RPIC-2 meeting.

2. Purpose


- Forums, workshops, Seminars... , for NEA regional power interconnection
- Northeast Regional Power Interconnection and Cooperation Forum
- 4 the NEA Energy Security Forums
- 2 workshops in Russia, 2014 and 2015
- Conference on NEA Energy Connectivity in Ulaanbaatar, 2015
- 3 workshops, 2 in China and 1 in Russia from 2001 ~ 2003: Power Grids Interconnection in Northeast Asian

......, etc.
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Some multilateral or bilateral planning studies underway in parallel or in preparing.

Project Number: 48030-001
Technical Assistance Project
Mongolia: Strategy for Northeast Asia Power System Interconnection
In tendering process.
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It is significant to combine the similar activities to share outcomes of the studies to avoid duplication of efforts and to enhance benefits of cooperation. to promote understanding of the governments and prepare reaching the intergovernmental agreements.
3. Establishment, Participants and Organizers

_The participants_ invited by NEA-RPIC Forum: governments, international institutions, power utilities, power companies, consulting firms and research institutes, etc.

_The steering committee_: ESCAP will take the lead and members will be the major stakeholders of NEA countries each and international institutions.

_The organizer_: The organizer shall be the institution of the host country.

_The co-organizers_: some members of the steering committee and international institutions.

_The working groups_: The steering committee will decide to establish the working groups of planning, market and operation step by step along with the development of regional power interconnection and trade of the NEA region.
4. Meetings

The meeting times: once a year regularly and the more meetings may be added based on the requirement of the participants and organizers.

The meeting venues: The venue of the next meeting shall be discussed on the meeting and the NEA-RPIC Forum welcomes any participants to host the meetings. The steering committee shall seek the host organizer after the meeting if the meeting may not determine the host organizer for the next meeting. In general, the venue of the meetings may be chosen on the rotation basis.

The topics and program: proposed by the steering committee.

The working language: English.
The host organizer shall be responsible for drafting summary report of the meetings of NEA-RPIC Forum and disseminate the summary report after circulating among the participants.
6. Financing and Other Support

The expenses of NEA-RPIC meeting participants
Each institution shall arrange for financing the costs of its participation in NEA-RPIC meetings and related activities. Particularly, the expenses of NEA-RPIC meeting participants shall be financed by their respective organizations.

External financial assistance
External financial assistance may be introduced to cover costs of the meetings of NEA-RPIC Forum, and the participation of NEA-RPIC meetings, where deemed necessary.

NEA-RPIC meeting costs
NEA-RPIC meeting costs shall be covered by the organizer of each host country.
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