

JOINT WORKING GROUP OF THE
PERMANENT COUNCIL AND CEPCIDI ON THE
FOLLOW-UP OF THE DECLARATION OF PANAMA:
ENERGY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**Inter-American meeting of national authorities and experts on energy for sustainable
development in the Americas**

Monday, March 3, 2008
OAS Headquarters
17th and Constitution, N.W., Washington, DC

DRAFT SCHEDULE

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| 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | Registration of participants and Continental Breakfast |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | INAUGURAL SESSION

Welcome remarks by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), José Miguel Insulza*▪ The Chair of the Joint Working Group of the Permanent Council and CEPCIDI on the Follow-up of the Declaration of Panama: Energy for Development, Ambassador Aristides Royo, Permanent Representative of Panama* |
| 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | FIRST PLENARY SESSION: <u>General Overview on the Status of the Energy Sector in the Americas</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Status of the energy sector in the Hemisphere<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Consideration of background documents presenting an overview of the energy situation in the several sub-regions of the Americas.b. Hemispheric and Regional Overview<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Department of Sustainable Development of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development of the OAS, Energy Division Chief, Mark Lambrides* |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. | BREAK |

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SECOND PLENARY SESSION: Challenges to energy for sustainable development

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

- a. Expansion and diversification of the energy matrix to ensure access to energy and its availability

Moderator: Juan Pablo Bonilla, Director, Sustainable Energy and Climate Change Initiative, (SECCI) IDB*

Panelists:

- Iván Azurdía, Solar Foundation, Guatemala*
- Alba Gamarra, Center for Information on Renewable Energies (CINER), Bolivia*
- Albert Binger, Consultant/University of the West Indies, Jamaica*
- José Roberto Moreira, Professor, Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil*

Dialogue

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

- b. Efficiency of energy production and consumption

Moderator: Nigel Hosein, President, Caribbean Association of Electric Utilities (CARILEC), Saint Lucia*

Panelists:

- Juan Mata, Executive Secretary, National Commission for Energy Savings (CONAE), México*
- Brian Castelli, Executive Vice President, Alliance to Save Energy (ASE), USA*
- Marianne Osterkorn, International Director, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP), Austria*

Dialogue

1: 15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

LUNCH (*Aztec Patio, OAS*) – (Sponsored by the Government of Canada)

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SECOND PLENARY SESSION: Challenges to energy for sustainable development (continued)

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

c. Good energy management

Moderator: Gary Pringle, Head, Energy Secretariat, Environment and Energy Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada*

Panelists:

- Laura Porto, Director, Renewable Energy Director, Ministry of Energy and Mines, Brazil*
- Diego Arjona, Director General of Investigation, Technology Development, and Environment, Secretariat of Energy, Mexico*
- Philip Schubert, Energy Specialist, Canadian International Development Agency, Canada*

Dialogue

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

BREAK

4:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

d. Energy cooperation and integration in the Hemisphere

Moderator: Carlos Arturo Flores Piedrahita, Executive Secretary, Latin American Energy Organization, (OLADE)*

Panelists:

- Garfield Barnwell, Director, Sustainable Development, CARICOM Secretariat*
- Name to be determined, PDVSA, Venezuela
- Carlos Roberto Perez, Director Economic Issues, General Secretariat for the Central American Integration System (SICA)*

Dialogue

5:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

CLOSING SESSION

Closing remarks by the OAS Executive Secretary for Integral Development, Ambassador Alfonso Quiñónez*

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Reception (U.S. House of Representatives, Rayburn Office Building, *Optional*)