

High-level roundtable on Energy Efficiency Finance and Investment

G20 Energy Efficiency Finance Task Group (EEFTG)

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Context and objective

Investment lies at the heart of the energy efficiency challenge, and as such is key to achieving the emission reductions and aligned financial flows needed for the implementation of the Paris Agreement. Energy efficiency is essential to a climate-friendly and sustainable energy transition. Yet, despite the multiple benefits it brings, much of the potential for energy efficiency improvements and its corresponding investments are untapped.

At this high-level roundtable, on the margins of COP23 in Bonn, the EEFTG will convene policy and finance community stakeholders from the G20 and beyond to present the G20 Energy Efficiency Investment Toolkit as well as to discuss and share latest developments on the implementation of innovative policies, financial products and tools that enable greater deployment of energy efficiency finance. The G20 EEFTG would also like to use this opportunity to invite participants to explore avenues of further development and engagement with the G20 and strengthening regional cooperation flowing from the EEFTG work.

Agenda

12:00 – 13:00	Networking Lunch and Registration
13:00 – 13:10	Welcome and Introduction Thorsten Herdan , Director General for Energy Policy, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy Stéphanie Croguennec , Deputy Director, Climate Change and Sustainable Development, French Ministry for Ecological and Inclusive Transition
13:10 – 13:20	Presentation of the G20 Energy Efficiency Investment Toolkit Peter Sweatman , Rapporteur of the G20 EEFTG and CEO of Climate Strategy Eric Usher , Head of UNEP Finance Initiative
13:20 – 14:50	Tour de table - roundtable discussion <i>Moderator: Peter Sweatman</i> , Rapporteur of the G20 EEFTG and CEO of Climate Strategy
14:50 – 14:55	Perspectives from the upcoming G20 Presidency Marco Bergel , Ministry of Energy and Mining, Argentina
14:55 – 15:00	Closing remarks Co-Chair

Potential discussion questions

- It has been two years since in 2015 the two multilateral landmark agreements, the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda, were adopted as well as the “Voluntary Energy Efficiency Investment Principles” were welcomed by G20 Energy Ministers. Each of these have brought impulses to the dissemination of energy efficiency worldwide. What progress have you observed in your country, among partner countries and fora such as G20, and in your broader policy and finance community?
- What changes are occurring in the market and how can these accelerate investment in energy efficiency to stay on a well-below 2°C pathway?
- Which financing mechanisms have had a high-impact and should be further developed and disseminated to scale up energy efficiency finance?
- How can the G20 Energy Efficiency Investment Toolkit, policy tools and financing mechanisms be brought and adapted to your regional context for greater impact?
- How can we best lever the G20 platform under the Argentinian G20 Presidency and further develop and disseminate the toolkit to practitioners to advance energy efficiency financing?

About the G20 EEFTG

The G20 EEFTG was founded and is co-chaired by France and Mexico, counting the majority of G20 economies (15) as its participating members. It is facilitated by IPEEC and UNEP FI. Its aim is to enhance capital flows for energy efficiency investments in G20 economies by providing a forum for policy makers to share best practices in policies and financial instruments through peer-to-peer workshops and direct engagement with members of the private and public finance community, industry and international organisations.