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## Quarterly newsletter

About the IOC-ENERGIES program's activities and news from the renewable energy and energy efficiency sector in the Indian Ocean

## Main activities

### RESULT 1 - Strategies

Following the elaboration of the RE/EE strategy for La Digue (Seychelles), the operational priorities and a demonstration operation have been identified at a meeting held on 20 January. The IOC programme will support the creation of an energy dashboard for La Digue. Furthermore, a solar equipment will be installed in the fish market allowing the manufacturing of ice for fish conservation and production of domestic hot water.

The mission to identify the capacity building needs of the national Energy agencies has been launched in March. A restitution meeting is scheduled on 4 May in Seychelles.

### RESULT 2 - Sensitization

The regional strategy on promoting RE/EE has been validated by Comoros and Seychelles. The programme expects validation from France (Réunion), Madagascar and Mauritius.

The programme supports the elaboration of the RE/EE communication strategy in Comoros. The mission to define this strategy started in March.

Madagascar and Mauritius are also interested to carry out a similar study at a national level.

The communication kits identified for Member States will be presented during the regional sensitization meeting, scheduled on 13 April in Réunion Island. During this meeting, a first demonstration of the knowledge management platform will be also presented.

The sensitization videos for the Mauritian campaign for small business, general public and children have been produced and are broadcasted on social media since the middle of March.

The tender documents about the regional campaigns "Culture and sensitization" are awaiting approval from the EUD of Mauritius.

The programme team was joined by a communication officer and a knowledge management expert.

### RESULTAT 3 - Legal framework

A regional meeting on the synthesis of the legal

framework RE/EE studies carried out for the programme and proposing a benchmark at a regional level, took place on February 3 at the IOC.

The first session of the training cycle on energy regulation, organised by the IOC-ENERGIES programme and provided by the Florence School of Regulation, gathered more than 20 participants, representing ministries in charge of energy, regulatory agencies, as well as electricity companies of the IOC Member States, from 6 to 8 February at the IOC headquarter.

### RESULTAT 4 - Call for proposals

The first two contracts from the lot 1 have been signed with two of the 17 selected grant beneficiaries for a grant of less than €100.000.

### Cross-cutting activities

The tender for the construction of photovoltaic shade structures, and for the delivery of electric vehicles in four IOC Member States, has been launched. The tender is available on the EuropeAid's and IOC websites.

## Highlights

12 January	Validation of the regional strategy on RE/EE promotion by Seychelles
20 January	Definition of the operational priorities RE/EE and a demonstration operation for La Digue, Seychelles
03 February	Regional meeting on the synthesis of the legal framework RE/EE studies
6-8 February	First session of the training cycle provided by the Florence School of Regulation
15 February	Launch of the second session of the energy regulation training with online courses
14 March	Validation of the regional strategy on RE/EE promotion by Comoros



Participants of the training provided by the Florence School of Regulation

## Events to keep in mind april-june 2017

Result	1	Strategies RE/EE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Restitution meeting of the expert in charge of the identification of capacity building needs for national RE/EE agencies on 4 May - Seychelles</li> <li>- Meeting on Energy information system and observatories on 5 May - Seychelles</li> <li>- Launch of the Energy Efficiency Regional Programme - Madagascar - Date to be confirmed</li> </ul>
Result	2	Sensitization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Second regional meeting on the promotion of the renewable energies and energy efficiency on 13 April - Réunion</li> <li>- Validation of the regional RE/EE promotion strategy expected for France (Réunion), Madagascar and Mauritius</li> </ul>
Result	3	Legal framework RE/EE	Training on public-private partnership from 19 to 22 June - IOC, Mauritius
Result	4	Call for prop.	Signature of grant agreements with selected beneficiaries in Madagascar - Date to be confirmed
Cross-cutting activities			Steering committee of the programme, 3-4 May in Seychelles

## FOCUS OF THE QUARTER

### Training on energy regulation with the Florence School of Regulation

To improve capacities of the Member States regarding energy regulation, a training cycle is organised by the IOC-ENERGIES programme from February to July 2017.

The Florence School of Regulation provides this three steps training. The first one took place at the IOC headquarter from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> of February, in the presence of international professors and of Jean-Michel Glachant, director of the Florence School of Regulation.

The second phase of the training started on 15 February, by the way of an online course, during 10 weeks, until July.

To conclude this training, a residential seminar will be held in Mauritius from 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>th</sup> of July.

You can read the interview of Mr Jean-Michel Glachant on the link : <http://commissionoceanindien.org/activites/energies/actualites-news/formation-sur-la-regulation-energetique-08-fev-17-maurice/>

## Useful links

The annual report 2016 of the IOC is now online ! Named "Indianocean and the Sustainable Development Goals", it shows the contribution of the IOC to the implementation of the international agenda for sustainable development adopted by the United Nations in 2015, especially regarding renewable energies:

<http://commissionoceanindien.org/fileadmin/resources/Rapport%20annuel%202016/index.html>

Read the article from Kofi Annan, former Secretary-General of the United Nations and Chair of the Africa Progress Panel, for the energy transition of Africa:

<http://edition.cnn.com/2017/03/13/opinions/electrify-africa-quickly-opinion-annan/>

A serious game, realised with the support of the French Ministry of Education, aims to understand the way energies contribute to preserve environment through different playful missions and activities :

[http://www.education-developpement-durable.fr/energies-renouvelables/lecons/energie\\_renouvelable/html/PAGE\\_CONNEXION.html#](http://www.education-developpement-durable.fr/energies-renouvelables/lecons/energie_renouvelable/html/PAGE_CONNEXION.html#)

## The Energy World is moving !

International Energy & Environment Fair & Conference (ICCI) - May 03-05, 2017 - Istanbul, Turkey. ICCI is an international event devoted to the energy sector, held every year in Turkey since 1994. This platform organises professional meetings and fair : <http://www.icci.com.tr/en/>