



Sustainable Energy Technical Assistance (SETA) for a Competitive OECS

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About the OECS



- The **Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)** came into being on 18th June, 1981
- Mission of OECS is “to be a **Center of Excellence** contributing to the sustainable development of OECS Member States by supporting their strategic insertion into the global economy while maximizing the benefits accruing from their collective space”
- OECS comprises **9** Eastern Caribbean countries
- OECS is administered by a central **Secretariat** located on Morne Fortune, Castries, Saint Lucia
- For more information visit www.oecs.org



Background



- **Sustainable Energy** is one of the thematic areas that has been identified as a **priority** by the OECS Ministers of Environment
- Following the 12th meeting of the Ministerial Environmental Policy Committee, a mandate was given to **OECS Secretariat** to develop approaches for improving the performance of the energy sector of the OECS



Background



- The Ministers requested that the OECS Secretariat prepare a recommended **policy and public awareness strategies on energy management**
- At a Special Meeting on the Economy held in St. Kitts, Heads of Government of the OECS member countries charged the Secretariat to consider, *inter alia*, “**a clear and strategic energy policy**” as part of a stabilisation, stimulation & transformation package for the economies of the member countries of the OECS



Background



- The instructions were specific to increasing economic competitiveness of the member countries of the OECS
- In order to fulfil the mandate given, the OECS Secretariat has embarked on a plan to develop a sub-regional **sustainable energy programme**
- As **one initiative** of this plan, the OECS Secretariat is applying a technical assistance grant from the CDB to assist in meeting the cost of consultancy services to implement the **Sustainable Energy Technical Assistance (SETA)** for a Competitive OECS **project**.



Overview of SETA












- SETA will provide consultancy services to develop **instruments** which will inform and facilitate the implementation of a **sustainable energy programme** for the OECS member countries
- Specific policies for energy conservation and management in OECS member countries will be developed within the context of comprehensive energy policies and strategies and as part of an overall cost-reduction programme for the entire energy sector
- The work done in the area of policy development at the national level will provide the basis for the work to be completed by SETA
- SETA is funded by a technical assistance grant from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) of an amount just over USD1.5M with in-kind contributions from the OECS Secretariat and member countries



Beneficiaries of SETA

All 9 OECS Member Countries:

- **Antigua and Barbuda**  (86,754)
- **Commonwealth of Dominica**  (72,813)
- **Grenada**  (107,818)
- **Montserrat** (UK Dependent territory)  (4,500)
- **St Kitts and Nevis**  (49,898)
- **St. Lucia**  (160,922)
- **St Vincent and the Grenadines**  (104,217)
- **Anguilla** (UK Dependent territory)  (15,094)
- **B V I** (UK Dependent territory)  (24,492)



Goal & Objectives of SETA



Provide the guiding framework and create an enabling environment to support the efficient and sustainable production and use of energy in the member countries of the OECS



Contribute to improving the capability of member countries of the OECS to employ holistic approaches to energy management as they move toward the integration of their economies and the coordination and harmonisation of policies



Contribute to Social and economic development of OECS through investments in EE and RE options



Expected Outputs of SETA



Regional EE
Strategy and
Action Plan;
National EE
Strategies and
Action Plans

Model Legislation,
Rules and
Regulations for
the Energy Sector
in the OECS

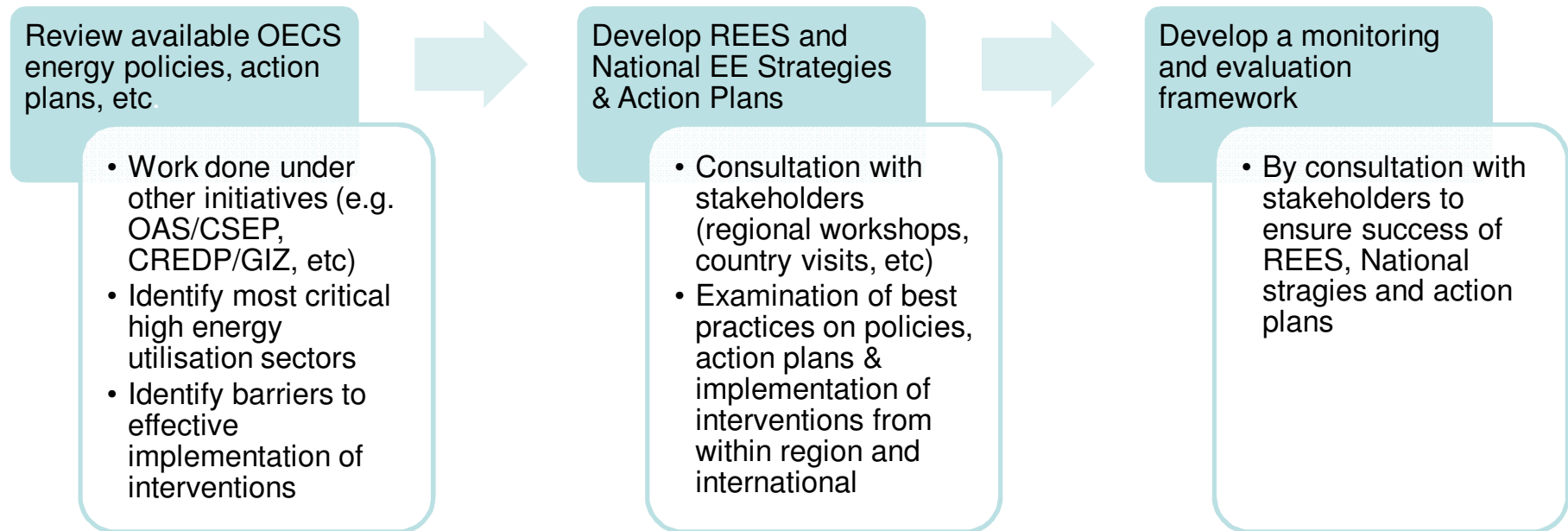
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EE



Overview of SETA Consultancy I



Development of Regional and National Energy Efficiency Strategies and Action Plans for the OECS





Overview of SETA Consultancy II



Development of a Legal Framework, Rules and Regulations for the OECS Energy Sector

Review energy legislation and newly developed EE strategies & action plans in OECS

- Determine where gaps in the current energy legislation exists
- Assess the legal implications for pursuing the strategies and implementing the actions plans identified for the regional and national levels

Propose legislative reform, including regulations and rules

- To govern implementation of interventions identified by strategies and action plans
- Will be specific to each energy utilisation sector and to the identified regional and national interventions

Prepare Model legislation, including regulations and rules to govern the energy sector

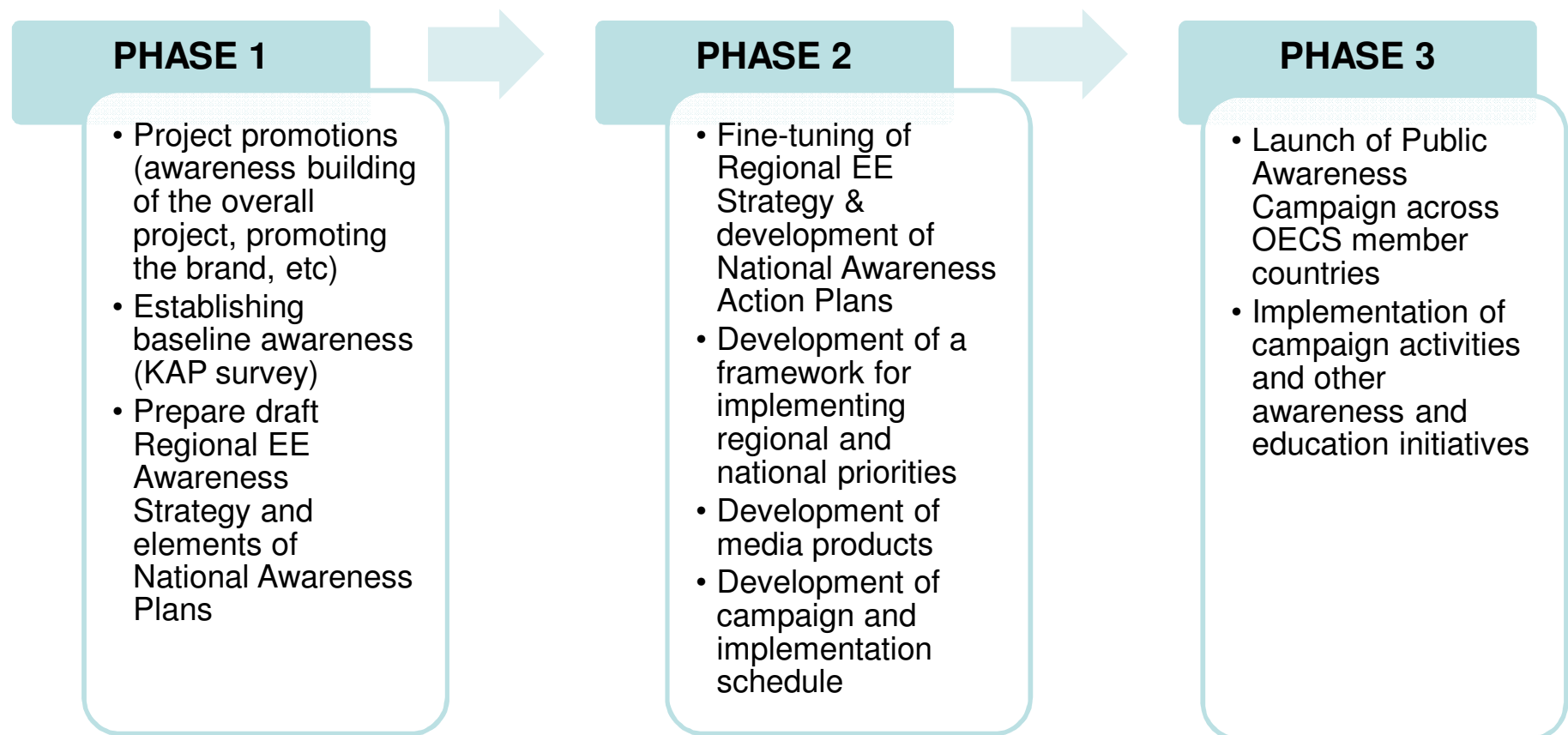
- Consistent with the Revised Treaty of Basseterre Establishing the OECS Economic Union (i.e. the Revised Treaty);
- That is sufficiently broad to consider trans-border issues in the OECS region; and
- Which allows for adaption to preserve the interests of individual member countries while facilitating regional integration per the Revised Treaty



Overview of SETA Consultancy III

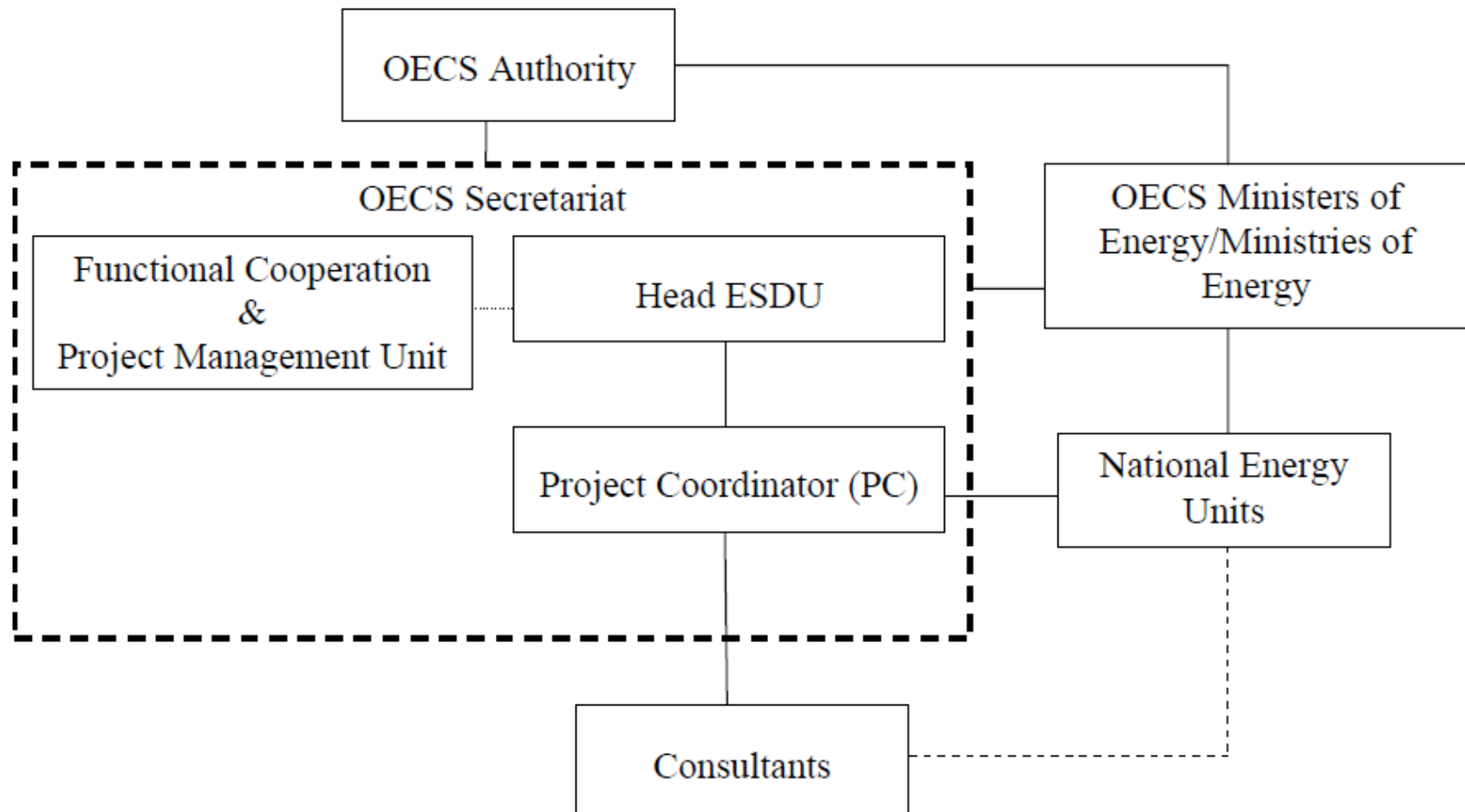


Public Education and Awareness Programme on Energy Efficiency for the OECS





PROJECT MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE





IMMEDIATE NEXT STEPS (over next Qtr 2012)

- **Award** contract to the selected firm to begin consultancy services to develop the **Regional and National Energy Efficiency Strategies and Action Plans (Target: March 2012)**
- **Update** stakeholders (member countries) on status of SETA and seek to reconfirm their commitment to actively support imminent country interventions (**Target: March-April 2012**)
- Enter into negotiation with a selected firm for the **Public Education and Awareness Programme on Energy Efficiency** consultancy (**Target: March 2012**)



IMMEDIATE NEXT STEPS (over next Qtr 2012)



- Invite consultants shortlisted to submit detailed proposals for providing services to develop the **Legal Framework, Rules and Regulations** for the OECS Energy Sector **(Target: May-June 2012)**



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