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# Gigatech Solutions for Gigaton Problems: Floating Solar Practice and Potential

8 June 2018 (Friday), 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

#### **Background**

While nascent, floating solar PV is expected to grow rapidly due to certain key advantages, including avoided land-use competition through utilizing space on freshwater reservoirs, and providing complementarity with hydropower production in terms of hybrid operation and reducing evaporation. In some countries such as Korea, Japan and China, large-scale commercial floating solar installations have been built - China's 40 MW installation in Anhui Province is considered the largest floating solar power plant in the world, and was successfully connected to the grid in May 2017.

For Asia-Pacific countries, there is significant near-term potential for floating solar PV in inland fresh water sites, as well as in the future commercialization of systems for brackish and marine waters. However, much like ground-mounted solar, grid parity remains a challenge in some countries. In addition, operational and environmental viability must be carefully considered. Knowledge exchange and initiatives to address technical and non-technical barriers, such as pilot projects, will be crucial in these early stages.

### **Objective of the Workshop**

- Present the concept of floating solar PV and the current state of the technology to ACEF attendees
- Develop interest among ADB staff and Asia-Pacific government officials to explore floating solar
- Encourage partnerships between stakeholders to overcome technical and non-technical barriers

#### Agenda

Time	Activity
	WORKSHOP CHAIR: Cindy Tiangco, Senior Energy Specialist ADB
09:00 - 09:10	Opening Remarks: Yongping Zhai, Chief of Energy Sector Group of ADB
09:10 - 09:45	Session 1: The early days – historical development and technology testing
	Moderator: Cindy Tiangco, ADB Central & West Asia Energy Division
	Global Development through 2017, L. Pacudan, ADB CWRD Consultant
	Solar Energy Research Institute of Singapore (SERIS) testbed operations; Thomas Reindl, SERIS.

09:45 – 10:45	Session 2: Scaling up (part 1)
	Moderator:
	40 MW and larger plants in PRC Simon Li, Trina Solar
	Singapore's Floating Solar Program Atem Ramsundersingh, CEO, WEnergy
	Bangladesh's Outlook for Floating Solar – Rahamat Ullah Mohd. Dastagir, Additional Secretary, Planning and Renewable Energy, Power Division Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources of Bangladesh
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	Session 3: Scaling up (part 2)
	Moderator:
	Central Asia ADB Regional TA Cindy Tiangco ADB CWRD
	Bangladesh RE Development Project Hongwei Zhang, ADB SAEN
	Technology Development Ciel et Terre, Harold Meurisse
	Market prospects Frank Haugwitz, AECEA
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	Session 4: Scaling up (part 3)
	Moderator: Akanksha Chaurey, IT Power Ltd.
	Global Perspective – K.K. Sharma, International Solar Alliance
	India's 10 GW Initiative - S.K. Mishra, Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd. (SECI)
	India's program: engineering perspective – Ravi Rama, SJ Renewables
	Developer's Views from Europe and Asia Luc Leenknegt and Jerome Flament, PerPetum Smart Energy Solutions
15:30 – 17:00	Session 5: Anticipated future developments including marine applications
	Moderator: Dan Millison, Transcendergy LLC
	Virtual pumped storage & combined cycle hydropower Sasank Goli, Ecogy Cleantech
	Floating Solar and Low-Cost Energy Storage for Developing and Threshold Countries Hans- Henning Judek, JE Access
	E-Kettuvallam Solar Houseboats – Itty Varugis, Team Sustain
	Floating tidal instream energy – Jason Hayman, Sustainable Marine Energy lk9jmi'
17:00 – 17:15	Summary and closing remarks

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