



UNCTAD TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT PROJECT
ON ENERGY AND AGRICULTURE

MIEI-UNCTAD National Validation Workshop on Technology Assessment of Agrivoltaics for Controlled-environment Crop Production

Agenda

5-8 March 2024

Eden Bleu Hotel, Eden Island, NA Seychelles Eden Bridge, Seychelles

Introduction

The Technology Assessment (TA) project in Seychelles on agrivoltaics for controlled-environment crop production is approaching its conclusion. The Seychelles team has successfully navigated through all the steps outlined in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) TA Methodology, resulting in the completion of a comprehensive TA Report. This report, which analyses the role of agrivoltaics for controlled-environment crop production within the country's national development, as well as its challenges and opportunities, is accompanied by an Action Plan aimed at facilitating the widespread adoption and diffusion of biogas technology.

A crucial step in finalizing this endeavour is to validate the findings and recommendations of the TA Report, along with the proposed Action Plan. Recognising the significance of stakeholder input in this validation process, the Ministry of Investment, Entrepreneurship & Industry (MIEI), in collaboration with UNCTAD, is organizing a joint national validation workshop. This workshop is designed to provide stakeholders with a platform to offer feedback on the project outputs before they are finalised and launched.

In addition to the launch of the TA Report and Action Plan, the workshop will feature the launch of the Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP) Review, an element of the TA project that helped to improve the understanding of the relevant policy and systemic challenges of the country.

For more information on the event, please visit the website: <https://unctad.org/meeting/unctad-technology-assessment-national-validation-workshop-seychelles> .

Validation of the TA Report and Action Plan

Tuesday, 5 March 2024

Eden Bleu Hotel, Eden Island, NA Seychelles Eden Bridge

Moderator: Mrs. Susan Ambetsa, Principal Research Officer, for Technology and BTI Incubator, Division of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry

	08:30 – 09:00	Registration and coffee
Opening	09:00 – 09:10	Opening address H.E. Mrs Devika Vidot, Minister for Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry
	09:10 – 09:15	Introductory remarks by UNCTAD Ms. Liping Zhang, Chief, Section of Science, Technology and Innovation for Development, UNCTAD
	09:15 – 09:25	Group photo
Introduction and Presentations	09:25 – 09:55	Factors for a successful TA Dr. Miltos Ladikas, Consultant, Institute for Technology Assessment and Systems Analysis (ITAS)
	09:55 – 10:25	Status of Art and application of Agrivoltaics Dr. Andreas Stamm, Consultant, German Development Institute
	10:25 – 10:35	Coffee break
	10:35 – 11:15	Presentation on draft TA Report Mr. Xavier Estico, Consultant
Validation Session	11:15 – 12:30	Validation of draft TA Report Open discussion
	12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break
Presentation	14:00 – 14:30	Presentation on draft Action Plan Ms. Cynthia Alexander, Director General, Division of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry
Validation Session	14:30 – 15:30	Validation of draft Action Plan Open discussion
	15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
Closing	15:45– 15:50	Closing remarks by UNCTAD Ms. Liping Zhang, Chief, Section of Science, Technology and Innovation for Development, UNCTAD
	15:50 – 16:00	Closing remarks by the host country Mr. Michael Nalletamby, Principal Secretary for Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry

Launch of the TA Report and Action Plan

Thursday, 7 March 2024

Eden Bleu Hotel, Eden Island, NA Seychelles Eden Bridge

Moderator: Mrs. Susan Ambetsa, Principal Research Officer, for Technology and BTI Incubator, Division of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry

	09:30 – 10:00	Registration and coffee
Opening	10:00 – 10:10	Opening remarks Ms. Lisa Singh, UN Resident Coordinator For Mauritius and Seychelles
	10:10 – 10:20	Opening remarks by UNCTAD Ms. Liping Zhang, Chief, Section of Science, Technology and Innovation for Development, UNCTAD
Presentation and Endorsement	10:20 – 10:50	Presentation on TA Report and Action Plan Ms Cynthia Alexander, Director General of DSTI
	10:50 – 11:30	Q&A Open discussion
	11:30 – 11:50	Handing over of the TA Report and Action Plan
	11:50 – 12:00	Closing remarks Mr. Michael Nalletamby, Principal Secretary for Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry
	12:00 – 13:30	Lunch

Launch of the STI Policy Review

Friday, 8 March 2024

Eden Bleu Hotel, Eden Island, NA Seychelles Eden Bridge

Moderator: Mrs. Jessica D'unienville, Principal Research officer for Research and Development, Division of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry

	09:30 – 10:00	Registration and coffee
Opening	10:00 – 10:10	Opening remarks Ms Lisa Singh, UN Resident Coordinator for Mauritius and Seychelles
	10:10 – 10:20	Keynote speech Mr. Michael Nalletamby, Principal Secretary Minister for Investment, Entrepreneurship and Industry
STIP Review Presentation and Q&A	10:20 – 10:50	Presentation on STIP Review Mr. Dimo Calovski, Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD Virtual
	10:50 – 11:20	Q&A Open discussion
	11:20 – 11:40	Handing over of the STIP Review Report
Closing	11:40 – 11:50	Closing remarks by UNCTAD Ms. Liping Zhang, Chief, Section of Science, Technology and Innovation for Development, UNCTAD
	11:50 – 12:00	Closing remarks by the host country Ms Cynthia Alexander, Director General of DSTI
	12:00 – 13:30	Lunch