



Gulf Cooperation Council Policy Development Meeting on Clean Fuels and Vehicles

AGENDA

Day 1 – 12th March 2008	
Opening Session	
8:30 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 9:45	Welcome Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Dr. Abdul Hussain bin Ali Mirza, <i>Minister of Oil & Gas Affairs and Chairman of National Oil & Gas Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain</i> • Prof. Dr. Ismail Al-Madani, <i>Vice President & Director General Environment & Wildlife Affairs, Public Commission for the Protection of the Marine Resources, Environment and Wild Life, kingdom of Bahrain</i> • Dr. Habib El-Habr, <i>Director & Regional Representative, United Nations Environment Programme, Regional Office for West Asia</i> • Mr. Clarence Woo, <i>Executive Director, Asia Clean Fuel Association</i>
9:45 - 10:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
GCC Fuel and Vehicle Overview <i>Moderator: Mr. Adel Al-Moayyad, General Manager Marketing, Bapco</i>	
10:15 - 10:35	Keynote Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles: The Status of Sulphur, Lead in Fuels Worldwide - <i>Ms. Mary MMukindia, UNEP/ PCFV</i>
10:35 - 10:55	Keynote Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges and Opportunities: A Global Overview of Cleaner Fuel and Vehicle Trends – <i>Mr. Michael Walsh, International Consultant</i>
10:55 - 11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleaner Fuels for Better Air Quality: The Systems Approach – Health & Environment Impact and its relevance to GCC countries -<i>US Environment Protection Agency</i>
11:15 - 11:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country Case Study: Bahrain – <i>Mr. Isa Al-Ansari, General Manager Engineering, Bahrain Petroleum Company (Bapco)</i>
11:35 - 11:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country Case Study: Lebanon – <i>Professor Farid Chaban, American University of Lebanon</i>
11:55 - 12:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country Case Study: Saudi Arabia- <i>Mr Ubaidaallah Alghamdi, President, Arabian Fuels Technology Centre</i>
12:15 - 12:45	Discussion
12:45 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
Technical Session - Challenges and Opportunities in the Automobile Sector <i>Moderator: Dr. Basel Al-Yousfi, UNEP</i>	
14:00 – 14:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Perspective: The need for Cleaner Fuels to Enable Greener Technologies & Engaging Stakeholders - <i>David Ward, Director General, FIA Foundation For the Automobile & Society</i>
14:20 - 14:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Natural Gas Vehicle- <i>Mr. Michael Themel, Salzburg AG Utilities, UAE</i>
14:40 - 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting Cleaner Vehicle Technology - <i>Mr. Michael Walsh, International Consultant</i>
15:00 - 15:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:15 - 16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions and Proposals from GCC and LAS Participants



Day 2 – 13th March 2008	
Fuel Quality Policy, Refineries and Roadmap Session <i>Moderator: Mr. Shoa Ehsani, Consultant, UNEP</i>	
9:00 – 9:20	• Strategies for Producing Cleaner Fuels: Refining Challenges - <i>Neste Oil Corporation</i>
9:20 – 9:40	• Bahrain's Diesel Vehicle Revamp Project - <i>Hanan S. Haider, Senior Environmental Specialist, Public Commission for the Protection of Marine Resources, Environment and Wildlife</i>
9:40 – 10:00	• Cleaner Fuel and Vehicle Policy Roadmaps - <i>Ms. Candy Vona IFQC Bahrain</i>
10:00 – 10:20	• Harmonization of Fuel Quality, Octane Levels and Vehicle Emission Standards in GCC countries – <i>Mr. Shoa Ehsani, UNEP/PCFV</i>
10:20 – 10:30	Discussion
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
Moving Forward: Discussion and Next Steps <i>Moderator: Ms. Mary MMukindia, UNEP</i>	
10:45 – 10:50	Introduction to Working Groups - <i>Ms. Mary MMukindia, UNEP/PCFV</i>
10:50 - 12:15	Working Groups: GCC Countries: <i>Fuel Quality, Sulphur Reduction and Roadmaps</i> LAS Leaded Countries: <i>Phasing Out Leaded Gasoline & Octane Replacement</i> Others: <i>Clean Vehicle Strategies and Air Quality Management</i>
12:15 - 12:45	Report Back of the Working Groups
Closing Session	
12:45 - 13:00	• Towards Cleaner Fuels & Stricter Vehicle Emission Standards in the GCC: Agreement on Recommendations & Next Steps - <i>Ms. Mary MMukindia, UNEP/PCFV</i>
13:00 - 13:30	Closing Remarks <i>National Oil & Gas Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain, ACFA, UNEP</i>
Field Trip – (OPTIONAL)	
13:30 – 17:30	Field Tour of Sulphur Reduction Project, Bahrain Refinery <i>Courtesy of National Oil and Gas Authority, Kingdom of Bahrain</i>