

# The new Task Force on Techno-economic Issues (TFTEI)

*Mandate and tasks*

*Presented by the Co-Chair*

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The Executive Body, at its 33<sup>rd</sup> session, Dec 2014, established, by Decision 2014/2, the creation of the new Task Force on Techno-economic Issues (TFTEI), as merge of the existing Expert Group on Techno-Economic Issues (EGTEI), the Task Force on Heavy Metals (TFHM) and the discontinued Task Force on POPs (TFPOP). The experts of the three groups work now together in the new Task Force TFTEI, and EGTEI, TFHM and TFPOP have disappeared as such.

## *Organization of TFTEI*

TFTEI is led by France and Italy, who offer the 2 Co-Chairs, in strict cooperation with the Chair of the former TFHM, Katja Kraus and, as usual in EGTEI, supported by a Technical Secretariat formed by the Interprofessional Technical Centre for Studies on Air Pollution (CITEPA), the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT, formerly known as DFIU/IFARE) and with the technical and financial support of the Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Énergie (ADEME).

## *Mandate of TFTEI*

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*“The new Task Force on Techno-economic Issues, drawing on the expertise of the former Expert Group on Techno-economic Issues and **other expertise as appropriate**, shall perform the following tasks in addressing **emission abatement technologies for stationary and mobile sources and other tasks requested by the Executive Body for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution or by the Working Group on Strategies and Review**, assuming that adequate financial and human resources are available” ....*

## *Tasks of TFTEI*

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*a) Update and assess on a regular basis the information on emission abatement technologies for the reduction of the atmospheric emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOCs, dust (including PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and black carbon), heavy metals and POPs from stationary and mobile sources, including on the costs of these technologies;*

*b) Create and maintain a regional clearing house of control technology information for emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOCs, dust (including PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and black carbon), heavy metals and POPs with the aim of being a reference place for dissemination of information to the experts of the Parties;*

## *Tasks of TFTEI*

*c) Cooperate with the other technical bodies of the Convention — in particular the Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections and the Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling — to create synergies, maximize results and optimize resources when performing its tasks;*

*d) Cooperate with technical bodies outside the Convention as needed;*

*e) Cooperate with the Coordinating Group on the promotion of actions towards implementation of the Convention in **Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia** with the purpose of providing techno-scientific assistance to those countries;*

*g) Provide assistance to the **Implementation Committee** if it so requests;*

## *The Official Web Site of TFTEI*

*CITEPA is currently re-designing the former EGTEI web site to provide suitable internet hosting to the new Task Force, taking into account the new tasks and issues of competence of TFTEI.*

*The new Web Site will be organized as :*

- *Home Page*
- *Meetings*
- *Works in progress*
- *Cooperation with EECCA*
- *Documents*
- *Clearing House*

*The TFTEI Web Site will be available also in **Russian Language** (with funds made available by Germany)*

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## *The TFTEI Clearing House of Control Technology Information*

*The Clearing House has the ultimate objective ‘of being a reference place for dissemination of information to the experts of the Parties’ on control technology information for emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOCs, dust (including PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and black carbon), heavy metals and POPs.*

*An ad hoc web site will be created by CITEPA to host The Clearing House.*

*If sufficient funds will be available, also the Clearing House web site will be translated in Russian Language.*

*Moreover, TFTEI wants to use the Clearing House as a forum of discussion on technologies with the users ‘on field’ to capitalise their experience.*



*The first TFTEI annual meeting will take place,  
on the 25th of June, 2015, at the liaison office of  
ENEA, in Brussels*

*You invited and welcome to the meeting !*