

The first consultation meeting on preliminary assessment reports of Building Energy Efficiency Accelerator – Da Nang BEA project.
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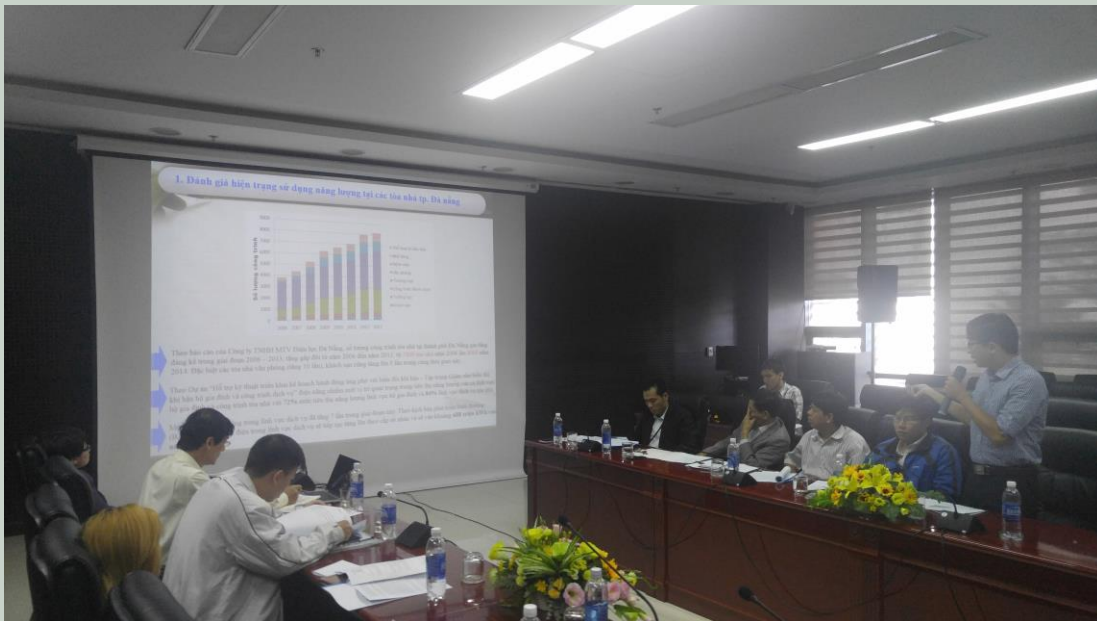
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In order to consult experts from relevant departments and agencies on the preliminary reports as well as come to the final decision of policy instrument, hotel for demonstration project and tracking methods of Da Nang Building Energy Efficiency Accelerator Project (BEA), Da Nang Climate Change Coordination Office (CCCO) held the first consultation meeting on 09th January 2017.

The meeting attracted the participation of Da Nang Department of Industry and Trade, Da Nang Department of Transportation, Da Nang Department of Construction, Da Nang Energy Conservation and Technology Consultant Centre (Da Nang Department of Science and Technology), Da Nang Union of Small and Medium Enterprises, Da Nang Union of Science and Technology Associations, Da Nang Power Company Limited, and Potential Hotels for Demonstration Project. Beginning the meeting, Mr. Huynh Phuoc, on behalf of Technical Advisors, briefly presented the preliminary assessment report of Policy Group. Based on the assessment's results of existing policies on energy efficiency, a directive on strengthening the collaboration to conduct and monitor building energy efficiency in Da Nang city was proposed by the group. The directive is expected to be applied to buildings in operation and in the design process (Floor area is at least 2,500 m²).



Mr. Huynh Phuoc, on behalf of Technical Advisors, is briefly presenting the preliminary assessment report of Policy Group.



Mr. Nguyen Thanh Tri, representing Demonstration Project Group, is presenting the result of the survey of 15 three-star hotels in the city.

Regarding Demonstration Project, Mr. Nguyen Thanh Tri presenting the group reported the result of the survey of 15 three-star hotels in Da Nang city which the group made to collect information about energy consumption of hotel sector for the assessment report. After the survey, the hotels were estimated to have 20 – 30% of energy savings. Moonlight, Magnolia and Lion Sea are three most potential hotels for the demonstration project.



Mr. Ho Quoc Son, on behalf of Tracking group, is presenting the group's preliminary assessment report.

Mr. Ho Quoc Son, on behalf of Tracking group, is presenting the group's preliminary assessment report. The tracking group's key responsibility is to monitor and evaluate the implementation of Policy and Demonstration Project. According to Tracking group's preliminary assessment report, Da Nang BEA project has been implemented comprehensively in terms of three components as planned in the past few months. A number of technical and consultation meetings have been held for information collection and discussion of the reports and workplan.

In the discussion session, almost the participants agreed on the preliminary reports. Besides, the experts gave each group a number of opinions and comments to complete its reports. Regarding policy, the new policy instrument should promote advocacy,

communication and awareness-raising for city's departments to the people level or issue regulations on energy-saving labeling and supporting policies for the units and enterprises selling labeled devices. About demonstration project, after recommending energy-saving solutions for demonstration hotels, demonstration group should hire an intermediary and independent consultant unit to reassess the recommended solutions before the application. If the project's budget is limited, the group can organize consultation meetings of relevant departments and agencies' experts, the document should be sent at least one week in advance for the experts to study the solutions' feasibility. To evaluate the effectiveness and impacts of the project objectively and accurately, demonstration project group can evaluate the energy consumption in the same period of several years, energy consumption per capita or energy consumption before and after changing equipment. In terms of Tracking group, the group should focus on compare and assess the difference between before and after the new policy instruments and energy efficiency solution applied to the hotel as well as the scalability.



Mr. Dinh Quang Cuong, Director of CCCO, is presenting the closing remarks.

Concluding the meeting, Mr. Dinh Quang Cuong – Director of CCCO expressed his appreciation to all the participants' opinions and comments as well as requested technical

advisors to consider the opinions to complete the preliminary report and make the general report and workplan for the next 18 months. Mr. Cuong also recommended Policy and Demonstration Project groups should use quantitative indicators so that it could be conveniently monitored and evaluated. The general report and workplan are expected to be sent back to CCCO on 15th January. The second consultation meeting on the general report and workplan is expected to be held on 18th January before they are submitted to the city's authorities. International Finance Corporation is going to be invited to the meeting.

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