

## **Ministry of Trade, Industry & Energy (MOTIE) to Hold the Fifth Clean Energy Ministerial**

Apr. 28, 2014 – The Ministry of Trade, Industry & Energy (Minister Yoon Sang-jick) will hold the fifth Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM5) in Seoul on May 12-13, 2014.

Energy ministers and other high-level delegates from more than 20 of the world's leading economies will collaborate to identify tangible steps that each government can take to generate more rapid progress toward CEM's overall goal—accelerating the transition to a global clean energy economy.

The discussions will focus on identifying smart policies, programs, and innovative strategies to increase energy efficiency, enhance clean energy supply, and expand energy access. It is expected that new commitments to advance those goals from governments and from the year-round work that has taken place through some of the 13 CEM initiatives will also be announced at the end of the two days.

"The Clean Energy Ministerial is a meeting where the world's 23 leading countries in new energy technologies discuss concrete action, not just debating about expanding the supply of clean energy and improving energy efficiency," Minister Yoon Sang-jick said before the meeting.

"Every year, we review the performance of each initiative, form partnerships among participating members and focus on implementing actual substantive results. Since Korea's appointment as Secretariat of the International Smart Grid Action Network in 2011, we have played a leading role in systems development and supply expansion and will share the results of our activities at CEM5," the minister said.

CEM5 will bring together ministers from 23 participating governments and 3 international organizations. The 23 participating countries are Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Denmark, the European Commission, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Norway, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, the UAE, England, and the US. Other organizations taking part are the International Energy Agency (IEA), the International Partnership for Energy Efficiency Cooperation (IPEEC), and the International Renewable Energy Agency (IREA).

This year's CEM is the fifth to be held since US Secretary of Energy Steven Chu first announced at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) conference of parties in Copenhagen in December 2009 that he would host the 1st Clean Energy Ministerial to bring together ministers responsible for clean energy technology from the world's major economies. The CEM is the only regular meeting of energy ministers discuss and access progress and guide work under clean energy initiatives.

\* CEM host nations: 1st (US), 2nd (UAE), 3rd (UK), 4th (India), 5th (Korea), 6th (Mexico)

\* Smart grid: Next-generation power grid that enables energy conservation, new & renewable energy supply and electric vehicle operation by combining IT with existing power grids for two-way exchange of real-time, power-related information between providers and users

### **About MOTIE**

MOTIE is a government ministry in charge of policy related to commerce, trade, industry, resources, and energy. The ministry has a 1st Vice Minister who is responsible for industry and technology and a 2nd Vice Minister in charge of trade and energy. Their offices oversee the Office of Planning and Coordination, the Office of International Trade and Investment, the Office of Industrial Policy, the Office of Industrial Foundation, the Office of FTA Negotiations and the Office of Energy and

Resources. Minister Yoon Sang-jick was formerly the 1st Vice Minister of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy and has been leading MOTIE since 2013.

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