ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

GENERAL INFORMATION		
Project title	Application of clean, renewable and/or alternative energy technologies for rural areas in Central Asian countries	
Project duration	June 2014 – May 2015	
Reporting period covered	1 June – 31 December 2014	
Financial implementation rate (in % of 2014-2015 budget)	30%	
Summary of impact/outcomes	As a result of the project implementation the national assessments for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan on access to clean, renewable and/or alternative energy provided by off-grid solutions with the focus on rural and remote areas are under preparation. The implementation of the project facilitates the transition to a more sustainable energy future through introduction of renewable energy sources in rural and remote areas in Central Asian countries.	

REVIEW OF EXPECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES AS PER PROJECT DOCUMENT

(Please make sure the review (i) includes all EAs and activities as per the project document implemented during the review period, (ii) provide information on the venue of workshops/seminars, their dates and the number of participants, including gender-disaggregated, and (iii) state if the activities have been completed or are still incomplete)

Expected Accomplishment 1 (EA1)	EA1: Increased understanding of Governments' officials and other stakeholders in the CA countries to meet the SE4ALL Initiative objectives, and to foster access to electricity in rural and remote areas.
Main Activity A.1.1 A.1.1 Conduct national assessments for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan on access to energy services provided by off-grid solutions with the focus on rural and remote areas, and on identifying potential renewable energy sites close to productive use loads in rural and remote	Terms of reference for consultants to conduct studies under the project have been developed. National consultants were hired and began preparation of the national assessments for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan on access to clean, renewable and/or alternative energy provided by off-grid solutions with the focus on rural and remote areas, and on identifying potential renewable energy sites close to productive use loads in rural and remote areas.
areas. Main Activity A.1.2 A.1.2 Development of a prefeasibility study for future implementation as a pilot project. Project proposal preferably should be based on national technologies and installations on renewable sources of energy and aimed at providing sustainable energy services (heat and/or electricity supply) for rural and remote areas or some	Will be completed in 2015

specific type of economic units (like highland and remote pastures) relevant to the country and CA region as a whole.		
Main Activity A.1.3	Will be completed in 2015	
A.1.3 Organization of an end-		
of-the-project workshop for		
experts and Governmental		
officials from Central Asian		
countries with invitation to all		
UNECE member states to		
present the		
results/recommendations of		
the project.		
COMMENTS		
(Please indicate if there were any problems with the execution of the project, changes to the implementation plan, or any other relevant information)		

National reports are expected to be completed in February 2015. They will allow selecting a particular renewable energy site in rural/remote area. A prefeasibility study will be developed for this site as a pilot project.