

Pre-General Assembly Technical Briefing on OSOWOG – 2:30-3:30 pm IST, October 18th, 2021

Virtual Event – 60 mins

The vision of globally interconnected renewable energy grids was launched at the first Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) in October 2018 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The vision of 'One Sun One World One Grid' underlines global and regional interconnected grid frameworks bringing together cohesion and unity of purpose for countries, public and private actors, and stakeholders. At the third ISA Assembly in 2020, the ISA secretariat was tasked to conduct a technical study for OSOWOG vision, in partnership with Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, India, and the World Bank. Électricité de France (EDF), a French multinational electric utility company, with AETS and TERI, is leading the technical study.

Accelerating the pace at which OSOWOG comes to life, the United Kingdom and the Government of India will jointly launch a global 'Green Grids Initiative – One Sun One World One Grid' (GGI-OSOWOG), at the COP26 in Glasgow. GGI-OSOWOG will bring more technical, financial and research cooperation to help facilitate cross-border renewable energy transfer projects and greening of grids at regional and national levels.

The proposed technical briefing will update fourth ISA Assembly participants on the progress made on the technical study on OSOWOG and plans for GGI-OSOWOG launch at COP 26.

Opening remarks and setting the context (10 mins, 2:30 pm – 2:40 pm)

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OSOWOG technical study and GGI-OSOWOG vision for global collaboration on grid integration (technical briefing from 2:40 pm – 3:25 pm IST)

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Closing remarks (10 mins, 3:25 pm – 3:30 pm IST)

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