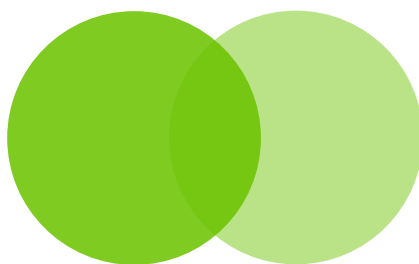




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Gosstroy officially launches the implementation of the Roadmap "Legislation on Energy Performance of Buildings"



The Roadmap "Legislation on Energy Performance of Buildings" consists of seven concrete measures that aim to facilitate the implementation of the "Law on Energy Efficiency of Buildings":

- Quality Control and Certification to specialist who issue building energy certificates;
- Launch of a State Register with information on building energy certificates, reports on heating and hot water supply control systems and energy efficiency specialists;
- Monitoring the quality of energy efficiency measures in buildings;
- Development of a law that facilitates a market for energy certification services in buildings and regular inspections of heating and hot water supply systems;
- Revise regulations to improve the "Law on Energy Efficiency of Buildings" implementation to comply with national and international requirements and laws;
- Expand the scope of energy assessments of technical systems installed in buildings;
- Development of measures to promote energy efficiency of buildings
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The activities proposed in the document, will :

- improve the practical implementations and market environment for more than 10 energy efficiency specialists,
- launch a state registry that will include the results of energy efficiency assessment of 20 buildings,
- automate the process of data collection and thus improve the quality of work on energy efficiency in buildings and
- allow for feasibility studies to be carried out for zero energy houses. It will also synchronize technical standards for lighting, air conditioning systems and other energy devices and therefore provides many important practical aspects for improving energy efficiency in Kyrgyzstan.



The launching of the Expanded KyrSEFF+ Program in Kyrgyzstan

November 14, 2016: A ceremony was held in Bishkek to mark the launch of the expanded Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF+). The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and the European Union presented a new credit line worth 35 million USD to promote energy saving and resource efficiency in the Kyrgyz Republic. These investments are part of the expanded Kyrgyz Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF). The European Union Investment Fund for Central Asia provided additional finance totaling 9.2 million Euros. The second phase of the program goes beyond energy efficiency and includes water-efficient technologies for residential and business sectors. Representatives from the Kyrgyz government, EBRD, EU, industry, civil society and mass media participated in the event.

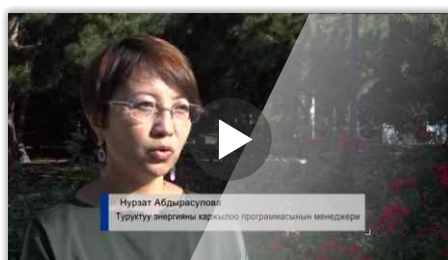
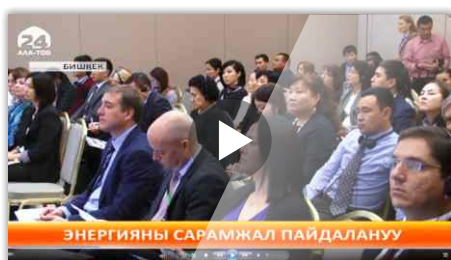
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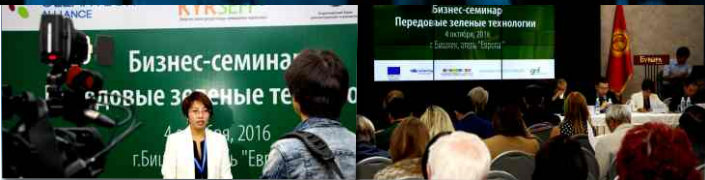
Within the KyrSEFF+ program national training units were provided for loan officers from the partner banks KICB, Demir, Kompanion, Bai-Tushum, and First MicroCredit. At present, more than 10 trainings were held for around 150 participants, providing information about the KyrSEFF loan, disbursement procedures, requirements for materials and equipment and the new opportunities in resource saving within KyrSEFF+.

Printed information materials of the program were prepared and distributed during the official launch of KyrSEFF+. Two additional videos were made available to showcase a business-client who had successfully implemented an energy saving project as well as an animation on the new program line on resource savings.

Please find attached the links to the video materials about the KyrSEFF+ launch ceremony and the implemented KyrSEFF projects:



Promoting Advanced Green Technologies in Kyrgyzstan



On October 4-5, 2016, a business-platform bringing together more than 150 Finnish and Latvian companies and more than 70 Kyrgyz companies was launched at the Evropa Hotel in Bishkek. The aim of the business forum was to promote green, state-of-the-art technologies in Kyrgyzstan. The business platform was the first of its kind and was part of the BALTIC CLEANTECH ALLIANCE and Kyrgyz Sustainable Financing Facility (KyrSEFF). More than 100 participants attended the event, including company representatives from Finland and Latvia, representatives from local Kyrgyz businesses, government authorities, representatives from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Kyrgyz Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF) and many more.

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Financial Solutions for Introducing Green Technologies

September 15, 2016: More than 50 business representatives from different economic sectors participated in the seminar titled "Financial solutions for Kyrgyz companies who plan investments in modern technologies". The seminar provided information about two programs implemented by the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD): the Kyrgyz Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF) and the Green Trade Facilitation Programme (and its new marketing initiative Green TFP). The seminar was conducted in joint collaboration with the Kyrgyz Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

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Зеленый экономический форум: «Содействие переходу Кыргызстана к зеленому экономическому развитию»

November 30, 2016: "Green economy as the basis for a sustainable development" – was the general theme of the annual Green Economy Forum titled "Assisting the Transition towards Green Economic Development in Kyrgyzstan". The event brought together renowned representatives and experts from government, business, science and research, civil society and international organizations.

Recognizing the importance of transitioning towards green economy, the forum participants worked together in three discussion groups to develop recommendations on how to promote green economy in the Kyrgyz energy, agriculture, and infrastructure sectors. Read more...

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December 1, 2016: During the second day of the Green Economy Forum a study tour was organized. Participants of the study tour, including representatives from media, visited several companies that had successfully implemented green technologies and RES.

Within the study tour, participants saw the practical benefits and processes of water treatment facilities in Ala-Archa national park, a water intake of Bishkekvodocanal (Bishkek Water Canal) and greenhouses by Ilim Moldoshev and Dasmia company.

The Green Forum was covered by several national media channels, namely "Maral" radio station, Birinchi radio, Capital PTBC, Tazabekov IA, IA Kabar PTBC, "Kyrgyz Tuusu" newspaper, The Russian Newspaper, "Slovo Kyrgyzstana" newspaper, "Erkin Too" newspaper.

During live broadcasts by Birinchi radio and Maral radio, Nurzat Abdyrasulova, President of Unison Group, together with colleagues from the Kyrgyz Ministry of Economy and Grundfos company, answered questions on the country's long-term "green" development and ways of attracting "green" investments to the Kyrgyz economy.

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Unison Group on Climate Meeting in Kiev

October 27-29, 2016: Unison Group attended a regional seminar hosted by the Climate Action Network for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia which was held in Kiev, Ukraine. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 100% renewable energy campaign, analyze challenges and developments of alternative energy and to exchange experience on ongoing information campaigns. Specific focus was laid on general trends of global renewable energy development, basic legislation, and environmental impact, criteria and approaches to reduce negative impacts were discussed in details.

During the seminar, Ms. Nurila Otunchieva, Manager of the Good Governance Program of Unison Group, presented the results of the information campaign "Stay warm, Kyrgyzstan!" as an example of how to successfully raise public awareness on energy saving among the rural population. Participants of the seminar also visited the demonstration sites "Ladisten" Medical Center and Ilizarov's clinic of orthopedic pathology, and the Optima energy-efficient house.

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Academics Meet Experts

Unison Group, in collaboration with the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the Kyrgyz State Technical University (KSTU) launched a series of monthly lectures. The project is the beginning of an informational campaign that aims to raise public awareness on renewable energy and technologies, especially among young scientists and students from different disciplines.

October 27, 2016: Melisande Liu, Jr. CIM-Expert on Energy, Unison Group, held a lecture titled "Energy supply in Kyrgyzstan: Why change?" which discussed the state of the Kyrgyz energy system, changes and prospects for energy sector of the country. More than 25 academics, students, CSO representatives participated in the lecture.

November 24, 2016: A lecture titled "Efficient power generation through innovative technologies in Kyrgyzstan. Opportunities and Challenges" was held by Mr. Thomas Oesterle. Mr. Oesterle spoke about his experience as an German entrepreneur in Kyrgyzstan and the challenges of promoting and installing green, innovative technologies in Jalalabad.

Mr. Oesterle holds a degree in mechanical engineering from the university of Stuttgart, Germany. He has worked as Project engineer and consultant for various sectors in Germany, Uzbekistan and Kirgistan. He currently works as the head of the 'Jalal-Abad Education and Development Institute' (JEDI) and the 'Jalal-Abad Technology and Business Consulting' (JTBC).



Передаем знания по энергоэффективности коллегам из Таджикистана

November 24-25, 2016: A seminar on "Effective energy management schemes in the housing sector in rural areas of Tajikistan" was held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

During the seminar Nurzat Abdyrasulova, president of Unison Group, presented an overview of Kyrgyzstan's energy efficiency legislation and the experience of financing energy efficient schemes in rural areas through the Kyrgyz Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF).

Also, Nurila Otunchieva, Manager of the Good Governance Program of Unison Group, gave a presentation on informational campaigns to disseminate energy efficiency technologies in Kyrgyzstan.



Unison Group helps developing energy efficiency in Kyrgyz cities

The town Balykchy, Issyk-Kul oblast, approved and adopted the Municipal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Development Program. Balykchy is the third city that adopts this program on energy efficiency with technical support from Unison Group. The program is part of the ESMAP program by the World Bank and ARIS.

Similar projects have already been realized in the Sulukta, Batken province, and Toktogul, Jalal Abad. The energy efficiency programs were approved by the deputies of the city councils who recognized the importance and need for energy-saving program and its benefits for the regional economy.

Energy saving potential of Bazar-Korgon.

November 2016. Unison Group in collaboration with the PF Camp Alatau and with financial support from the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ), has started to analyze energy saving potentials and existing barriers of energy efficiency in the Bazar-Korgon district, Jalal Abad region. Bazar Korgon is considered an important hotspot for biological diversity hosting a variety of wild fruit and nut trees. In recent times, deforestation and firewood extraction have increased due to inefficient use of fuels and the lack of heating fuel alternatives. The feasibility study aims to understand the status quo, potentials and solutions to overcome barriers of energy efficiency in Bazar Korgon. To this end, the feasibility study assesses energy needs and equipment, housing types, financial barriers, market situation and so forth. The feasibility serves as a basis for conducting a pilot project to address energy efficiency barriers in Bazar Korgon.



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Energy Globe Award

November 15, 2016: The award ceremony of the Energy Globe Award 2016 took place at the Trade Department of the Austrian Embassy (Advantage Austria). Unison Group received the Energy Globe Award 2016 for its successful implementation of the Kyrgyzstan Sustainable Energy Financing Facility (KyrSEFF) implemented by Unison Group and GFA Consulting Group GmbH. The award was handed over to Unison Group by Mr. Michael Muller, the Commercial Attaché and Trade Commissioner in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan, who had travelled specifically to Bishkek for this event.

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UNEP's Appreciation



Unison Group appointed official contributor to UNEP's "1Gigaton Coalition Second Report: Renewable energy and energy efficiency in developing countries: Contributions to reducing global emissions". In 2016, Unison Group joined the data collection efforts for UNEP's second **"1Gigaton Coalition Report: Renewable energy and energy efficiency in developing countries: Contributions to reducing global emissions"**. The mission of the 1 Gigaton Coalition is to measure and report reductions of greenhouse gas emissions resulting from global renewable energy and energy efficiency initiatives and programmes that are not accounted for in the Emissions Gap Report, which are estimated to be 1 GtCO₂e by 2020. The 1 Gigaton Coalition is implemented by UNEP in collaboration with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The 2016 report was officially released beginning of November in London in conjunction with the launch of the UNEP 2016 Emissions Gap Report. In addition, a high-level event took place at COP22 focusing on the results and findings of the 1Gigaton Coalition Report. To read more, please visit

<http://www.1gigatoncoalition.org>



"Starting a business: Women as Entrepreneurs"

October 30, 2016: Mrs. Nurzat Abdyrasulova, President of Unison Group was asked to give a speech at the #GlobalShapersBishkek Platform with the title "Starting a business: Women as Entrepreneurs". The round table provides a regular platform for stakeholders and female entrepreneurs to share their ideas and perspectives on the future, to exchange innovative ideas, experiences, and visions towards creating a better future for the Kyrgyz youth.



Soccer Match

October 8-9, 2016: Unison Group represented by Robert Mambetkaziev, Taalai Sydykov and Melis Toktomushev joined the EBRD soccer team in this year's annual charity soccer competition between international organizations in Bishkek. The soccer match was organized under the auspices of the Kyrgyz Republic's MFA and with support from the "Kyrgyzdipservice" State Enterprise together with the Honorary Consulate of the Federative Republic of Brazil (Dordoi Association). More than 10 teams joined the competition and all generated revenues were donated to a retirement home in the Lenin district in Bishkek.



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