Plenary Group Discussion: Supporting the Work of IEA

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IEA undertakes an expansive amount of work, but the size of the Standing Committee as the association’s governing board is rather limited.

This led to the exploration of more means to support the work of IEA, including more active involvement of GA representatives.

The Standing Committee proposes two options for consideration and discussion.
1. IEA Ambassadors
2. IEA Sub-committees
1. Proposed IEA Ambassadors

• Recent regional informational sessions showed the benefit of engaging in regional communications and connecting with regional partners.
• IEA Ambassadors could help raise awareness of IEA activities in their respective regions and among countries not yet engaged in IEA studies.
• GA representatives would be eligible to become IEA Ambassadors and be responsible for speaking on behalf of IEA and for coordinating activities in their region with the support of IEA.
• IEA Ambassadors would promote the work of IEA, raise IEA’s profile and serve as spokespeople for IEA’s mission.
• IEA would provide translatable communications materials (e.g. presentations, brochures) to support the IEA Ambassador’s work.
2. Proposed IEA Sub-committees

- GA representatives’ vast range and depth of expertise is one of IEA’s biggest strengths.
- IEA Sub-committees could be created to tap into these areas of expertise in support of IEA’s work.
- IEA Sub-committees would be aligned with IEA strategic pillars or dedicated to new initiatives.
- Procedures would be developed for GA representatives to propose new Sub-committees and to apply to join existing Sub-committees.
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