

# Power Sector Regulation and Restructuring

May 19-23, 2003

Abuja, Nigeria

## Workshop Agenda

Monday, May 19

- 10:00 AM**      **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
*Mr. Nasir Ahmad el-Rufai, Director General (DG), Bureau of Public Enterprises (BPE)*  
*Dr. Ravi Aulakh, Chief Economic Officer, USAID Nigeria*
- 10:30 AM**      **Workshop Overview and Introduction**  
Overview of workshop content and structure. Introduction of participants and instructors.  
Review of overall goals and participant expectations.  
*Dr. Ahmad Ghamarian, Executive Director, IIE Energy Group*
- 11:15 AM      Coffee/Tea Break (15 minutes)
- 11:30 AM**      **Policy Module**  
**A. The Need for and Goals of Regulation and Restructuring in the Power Sector**
1. Identification of issues and objectives for industry restructuring and regulatory reform  
*Ron Eachus(RE), Former Chairman of the Oregon Public Utilities Board*
  2. Identification of key issues, concerns and objectives in Nigeria, in accordance to the Electricity Act and Government energy policy  
*Beatriz Arizu (BA), Regulation and Restructuring Consultant, Mercados Energeticos*
- 1:00 PM      Lunch (*provided for participants at the Sheraton Papillon Restaurant*)
- 2:00 PM**      **B. International Trends and Nigerian Context**
1. Description of the range of options for regulatory reform and industry restructuring (RE)
- 3:30 PM      Coffee/Tea Break
2. Examination of change using international examples and its applicability to Nigeria – in relation to the Nigerian market structure (using case studies/illustrative examples) (BA)
- 5:00 PM      Day 1 Review and Adjourn

Tuesday, May 20

- 9:00 AM      **Policy Module, continued**  
**C. Analysis of Restructuring and Regulatory Reform (BA)**
1. Characteristics of the Nigerian approach to industry restructuring and regulation
- 9:30 AM      2. Analysis of the Nigerian approach (and Electricity Law) and its potential for addressing the specific problems or issues identified for Nigeria

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- 10:30 AM Coffee/Tea Break
- 10:45 AM 2. Analysis of Nigerian Approach, *continued*
- 1:00 PM Lunch
- 2:00 PM 2. Analysis of Nigerian Approach, *continued*
- 3:30 PM Coffee/Tea Break
- 3:45 PM 3. Identification of issues already decided and those still open to decision
- 5:00 PM Day 2 Review and Adjourn

### Wednesday, May 21

#### **9:00 AM Implementation Module**

##### **A. Creation and Management of a Regulatory Commission/Agency (RE)**

1. Essential Key Characteristics of a Commission – Authority, Autonomy and Accountability

- 10:30 AM Coffee/Tea Break
- 10:45 AM 2. Organizational Structure, Start-up, Selection of Regulators
- 1:00 PM Lunch
- 2:00 PM 3. Commission Function (Market & Non-Market Related), Administrative Procedure and Legal Procedure
- 3:30 PM Coffee/Tea Break
- 3:45 PM 4. Special Issues in Regulation (including subsidies, rural electrification & distributed energy)
- 5:00 PM Day 3 Review and Adjourn

### Thursday, May 22

#### **9:00 AM B. Review of Current Implementation Proposals for Nigeria (BA)**

Discussion of Issues, Options, and Impacts of Implementing Each Proposal

- 10:30 AM Coffee/Tea Break
- 10:45 AM B. Review of Current Implementation Proposals for Nigeria, *continued*

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- 1:00 PM Lunch
- 2:00 PM C. Consensus Discussion for Developing an Action Plan for Regulatory Implementation (RE/BA)**
1. Discuss features of an appropriate plan with regard to industry structure, regulatory reform, role of stakeholders
- 3:30 PM Coffee/Tea Break
- 3:45 PM 2. Step-by-Step Approach to Regulatory Implementation (RE)
- 5:00 PM Day 4 Review and Adjourn

*Friday, May 23*

- 9:00 AM **D. Review of Restructuring Plans**
1. Review of Restructuring Features of Nigerian Electricity Law (BA)
  2. Key Issues and how they are addressed (or not) in the Electricity Law (BA)
    - Roles, relationships and limits of rights and obligations of relevant government, and industry bodies (institutional arrangements)
    - Scope and need for rules and procedures
    - Scope and need for transition plans and public awareness programs
    - Meeting Social Objectives
- 10:30 AM Coffee/Tea Break
- 10:45 AM 3. Approach to Implementation of Restructuring Plans (RE)
- 11:15 AM Summary Discussion and Findings (RE/BA)**
- 11:45 AM Group Evaluation (AG)**
- 12:00 PM Graduation and Closing**