



Press Release

Turning Indonesia's waste into energy

*The EU and Indonesia launch a Waste to Energy guidebook and website,
in the framework of the EU-Indonesia Trade Cooperation Facility*

Indonesia's increasing urban population is producing more and more domestic waste. What seems to be a growing environmental problem, could also become a valuable energy resource – this is one of the lessons of the Waste to Energy Guidebook, prepared by the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (MEMR) with support from the EU-Indonesia Trade Cooperation Facility (TCF). In this framework on 3 May 2016, the MEMR and TCF launched the Waste to Energy guidebook and website at Hotel Borobudur, Jakarta.

His Excellency, Ambassador Vincent Guérend emphasised: *"The European Union has worked towards promoting an enabling environment for waste to energy in Indonesia with the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources since 2012. I am delighted to launch some of the practical results of our joint efforts today – the technical guidebook and the website on Waste to Energy will not only accelerate initiatives on waste to power opportunities, but will also facilitate the work of the Indonesian government and municipalities, as well as the European and Indonesian private sector."*

The guidebook provides a comprehensive, step-by-step guide to waste to energy projects in Indonesia. It is a must read for anyone involved in designing, financing, operating and regulating waste to energy projects in Indonesia, from local government officials and private sector entrepreneurs, to financiers and investors, both national and international. It is clustered around five main topics: landfill management, waste to energy technologies, project preparation, procurement and contracting, and operating a waste to energy project.

One of the crucial elements for investors and operators when determining the economic feasibility of waste to energy projects in Indonesia is the so called Feed in Tariff (FiT), which is the price set by the government for electricity generated from waste. Alongside their work together on the guidebook, the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources (through its Directorate for New and Renewable Energy) and TCF have also been collaborating on a revision of Indonesia's FiT regulations and this has resulted in a new regulation, which will encourage the development of waste to energy projects by providing greater clarity on the economic viability.

The Waste to Energy Guidebook is accompanied by a website, www.wteindonesia.com, which offers an easy way of getting regular updates on waste to energy issues as well as providing a discussion forum for anyone with an interest in the sector. The soft copy of the guidebook is available for free download through the website.



The EU-Indonesia Trade Cooperation Facility is an EU-funded initiative strengthening the capacity of Indonesian government institutions to improve the climate for trade and investment and contribute to the country's long-term sustainable economic development. Alongside strategic planning, trade policy, investment promotion, technology and innovation and intellectual property, one of the project's key components is support for sustainable energy initiatives, including waste to energy technologies. Please visit www.euind-tcf.com

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