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Dear colleague,

ESCAP-GTI Seminar on Energy Cooperation in North-East Asia (Online)
7 July 2021 (Wednesday, 14:30 – 16:30, Beijing time)

We are pleased to invite you to the first ESCAP-GTI Seminar on Energy Cooperation in North-East Asia jointly organized by United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) East and North-East Asia Office and Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI) Secretariat. The Seminar will be held virtually on 7 July 2021, back-to-back with the GTI Energy Board Meeting.

Energy cooperation and power interconnections have been a long-discussed topic in North-East Asia with the presence of some of the largest producers and consumers of energy in the region, representing the potential for a regional power grid that could benefit all countries through power trade. In particular, power interconnections using the region's abundance renewable sources of energy is gaining traction as China and the Republic of Korea announced their pledge to achieve carbon neutrality by 2060 and 2050, respectively, and Mongolia and the Russian Federation are also committed to reducing carbon emissions.

The Seminar provides an opportunity for discussing the current challenges facing North-East Asian countries in increasing the utilization of renewable energy as well as the institutional, regulatory and policy framework required to allow for renewable power trade through power interconnections in the region.

The concept note and programme are attached for your preliminary reference. Online registration is available (Please click [here](#)).

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Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us through the Seminar's focal points (Ms. Yejin Ha, ESCAP, ha@un.org, +82-32-458-6621; Ms. Yue Rue, GTI Secretariat, yue.ru@undp.org, +86-10-6532-5543 ext. 6026)

We look forward seeing you online and welcoming you in the Seminar.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosures: Concept Note and Indicative Programme