



PIESA Standardization Working Group Minutes

Meeting No 1: 2012	Date: 21-22 May 2012	Venue: Gold Reef City – Johannesburg SA
Present:	Names:	Utility/Company
	Kgopisho Mahunonyane (KM) – Secretariat	ESKOM
	Alfred Kaponda (AK) - Convenor	ESCOM
	Daniel Sichela (DS) – Deputy Convenor	ZESCO
	Lerato Mpobole (LM) - Member	LEC
	Abby Gwaivu - Member	UMEME LTD
	Patrick O'Halleran - Member	CITY POWER, AMEU, ESLC
	Isaac Kruger – (IK) – Member	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC
Apologies	Names:	
	Thandiwe Nkambule	ESKOM

Item	Description	Action By
1.	<i>Opening & Welcoming</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chairperson (KK) welcomed all current and new members to the meeting. 	AK
2.	<i>Apologies and Introduction</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thandiwe Nkambule 	KM
3.	<i>Confirmation of Agenda</i>	AK
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The agenda items were accepted as stated on the Agenda 	
4.	<i>Minutes of the previous meeting (only for sign off and correction)</i>	AK
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AK went through the minutes of the previous meeting which were accepted by all members 	
5.	<i>Matters Arising from Previous Meeting</i>	KM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalization of the Document Management System (DMS). KM presented the proposal of the DMS system which was accepted by the members. In addition the proposed “wiki” internet system was all presented. The “wiki” is to be used as the official system to support the DMS process. Attached to the minutes is a presentation of the functionality of the “wiki” 	
6.	Appointment of the working group office bearers	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WG Convenor – New Convenor Alfred Kapanda; Kelvis has taken other responsibilities and hence will not continue as Convenor. Deputy Convenor – Because of the changes on the Convenor position, Daniel Sichela has been duly elected to the position of Deputy Convenor . Secretariat – KM will take over as new secretariat; These new roles will continue forward for at least two years unless the advised differently by the office bearers. The committee wished the new office bearers good luck in their new roles 	AK
7.	<i>Confirmation of working group members (list attached) and frequency of meetings</i>	

	<p>The following items below were reconfirmed by the new Convenor (AK).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The members from each member utility and/or affiliate were confirmed. • The list is attached to these minutes. • The committee agreed that each utility must send at least two members for continuity. • There shall be at least two meetings per annum. The meetings will circulate between the member utilities. The meeting for the second half of the year may almost always coincide with the Piesas board meetings and or the IERE/PIESA joint meetings. • The “wiki” will be extensively used as the system of communication for new standards or proposal for changes to existing standards or specifications. 	AK
8.	<i>Outstanding issues from PIESA board meeting</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The list of standards up for review is attached to these minutes; • The secretariat will issue important and/or urgent and/or frequently used standards for review by the members. This will be available on the Piesas “wiki” site. http://piesawiki.wikispaces.com/HOME • A table of usage of the standards by the member utilities will be sent out as part of these minutes. Each member utility needs to comment whether frequently used (number of times per year), never used, occasionally (used at-least ones per year) etc; • A list of standards for review is attached to these minutes. Each member of the working group is assigned a group of standards and specification to determine whether a review is needed. Each member to present the outcome at the next meeting. • Training Needs for the WG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Part 1: Demand side management overview (Feb 2013) ○ Venue: Proposed Durban SA ○ Host: Durban AMEU ○ Part 2: Energy efficiency with a special focus on solar water heaters and CFL’s (Feb 2013) ○ Venue: Proposed Durban SA ○ Costs: R300,000 ○ refreshments, training material; ○ Accommodation, travel? Board decision; ○ DVD of the training? Board decision; ○ Target no: ○ 30 delegates; ○ Roy to arrange. 	All
9.	<i>Specific objectives of the working group</i>	Action by
	<p><u>The new Convenor reiterated the objectives of the WG. See below:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give feedback on usage of standards • Facilitate the formulation and review of harmonized standards, as indicated by member utilities commitment to implement in their entities; • Develop and maintain the mechanism for publication of approved 	All

	<p>documents via an authoritative regional entity;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote awareness of standards and Ensure that a master index of approved documents is maintained. • Maintain links with local, regional, continental and international standards entities and organizations similarly concerned with standardisation to facilitate access to standards; • Facilitate knowledge transfer and training needs by establishing a network of Centres of Excellence. 	
10.	<i>WG action plans for 3 year strategic planning 2012-14</i>	Action by
	See attached Strategic Plan for further details	All
11.	<i>WG Budget 2012-13</i>	Action by
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following budget requirements were discussed and accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Document Management Controller; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proposal and costs from the PIESA secretariat (attached) ○ Training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DSM training – R300,000 ○ Meetings and Conferences (2 per annum); R70,000 • It should be noted the standard costs of R70,000 will be required per year for the successful operation of the workgroup. Some additional items may be added to the list pending the requirements of working group. <p>See attached presentation for further details</p>	All
12.	<i>IERE International workshop discussion</i>	Action by
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This item was referred to Paul Johnson and Paul van Niekerk to nominate a suitable candidate to attend the IERE International workshop 	AK
13.	<i>Working group interaction between meeting</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Piesa website consists of valuable information regarding the currently available standards. Each member is encouraged to download the piesa standard as and when required. http://www.piesa.com/full-publications/. Note: This link is only available once logged in. For access to the PIESA website please contact Bruce@vdw.co.za and please state your full member details i.e. full name, member utility, contact details etc. • The workgroup shall have atleast two meetings per annum. 	All
14.	<i>Documentation of new PIESA projects</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Renewable Energy micro Grids in Tanzania</i> The draft documentation will be circulated later on by the Secretariat. The document is available from Paul Johnson • <i>Asset Management Standard</i> The specification used by the Utilities in South Africa is NRS 093. This document has been attached to these minutes. 	AK
15.	<i>Report to the board</i>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chairperson presented the feedback report to the board as required on the 22th May 2012 	AK
16.	<i>General and closure</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chairperson closed the meeting on the 22th May 2012; The chairperson encouraged the members to make use of the Piesa platform to improve the performance of their utilities. 	AK

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Secretariat

Date:

Chairperson:

Date:
