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**Capacity-building for parliaments on the sustainable development and resources management
International Conference & Training centre,
Vientiane (Lao PDR), 26-28 November 2007**

Monday 26 November

8.00 am	Registration of participants
8.30 am	OPENING SESSION
9.00 am	<i>1st topic - Sustainable development and poverty reduction</i> <i>Introduction by Chair</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1st theme: Improved national ownership and participation in the implementation of poverty reduction strategies Discussion, questions and answers on 1st theme ▪ 2nd theme: The importance of a sustainable use of natural capital to eradicate poverty Discussion, questions and answers on 2nd theme
11.45 am	Lunch Break
1.30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3rd theme: developing strategies leveraging on sustainable use of natural resources to alleviate poverty Discussion, questions and answers on 3rd theme
	Wrap up on first topic by Chair
3.15 pm	<i>2nd topic: Empower people – energy and sustainable development</i> <i>Introduction by Chair</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1st theme: How energy is central to sustainable development Discussion, questions and answers on 1st theme
4.45 pm	End of Day 1

Tuesday 27 November

8.45 am	Second topic (Energy and sustainable development) <i>to be continued</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2nd theme: Mainstream access to energy services Discussion, questions and answers on 2nd theme ▪ 3rd theme: Growing demand for energy and renewable/environment friendly energy sources Discussion, questions and answers on 3rd theme
	Wrap up on second topic by Chair
11.45 am	Lunch Break
Pm	Cultural Visit

Wednesday 28 November

8.25 am	<i>3rd topic: Biodiversity and sustainable development</i> <i>Introduction by Chair</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1st theme: The convention on biological diversity (1992) Discussion, questions and answers on 1st theme ▪ 2nd theme: Sustainable use and sustainable development Discussion, questions and answers on 2nd theme
11.45 am	Lunch Break
1.30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3rd theme: Biodiversity, “humankind’s life insurance” Discussion, questions and answers on 3rd theme
	Wrap up on third topic by Chair
	Conclusions of the seminar: How parliaments may promote sustainable development – exchange of national experiences
4.15	CLOSING CEREMONY AND END OF SEMINAR
7.00 pm	Official Function