

CA ESD Interview Questions

3rd Plenary Meeting Interview Questions for Member States

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Role in ESD implementation: Competent authority

Q1. How long have you been with the Concerted Action?

Since the start

Q2. Has the CA ESD improved your working relationships with other participating countries?

Yes/No - Yes

How have you otherwise benefited from the network, exchange of information and experience within the CA-ESD?

We have significantly benefited, particularly from informal exchange of information after contacts and during meetings, with other implementers of the ESD.

Q3. Can you give us any concrete examples (e.g. policy measure, methodology, organisation) of best or good practices that you have learned about through the CA ESD and have taken on board, in some way, whilst developing national policies?

Development of requirements for auditors.

Q4. Has the CA supported your work in generating awareness for energy efficiency and the ESD with national policy makers and other stakeholders?

Yes/No - Yes

If yes, how?

The questions raised as a result of public documents distributed created a significant awareness among decision makers

Q5. What has been the most useful CA ESD product/output for you? (PMs, WG Reports, website, Forum, Newsletter, National Summary Reports, public documents, other)

PMs, WG reports, public documents

Q6. Do you attend other Concerted Action meetings – CA RES or CA EPBD?

Yes/No NO

If yes, what do you think the CA ESD can learn from the other Concerted Actions and vice versa?

Q7. What is your national dissemination strategy when it comes to CA ESD material and the outcomes of the Plenary Meetings?

Material is disseminated to the Ministry and thereon to other relevant government departments

To how many people, and to whom, do you send the final reports and other outputs of the CA ESD?

What methods do you use (meetings, email, presentations, etc)?

Ministry

Are you aware of the NCP toolkit on the website?

Yes

Q8. What is your feedback regarding the new in-depth topic and sessions? How was your experience in trying to identify your expert(s) to attend these sessions?

It is difficult to identify suitable experts

Q9. Do you have any other remarks, comments or feedback you would like to give us on specific or general elements of the CA ESD?

No

Q10. As we transition from CA ESD > EED we are keen to ensure that the needs and views of participating countries are taken into account (as much as is possible within the constraints of the contract). We would therefore welcome your views on:

- a. **Specific topics / Articles (of the Directive) that are a particular priority for your country from December 2013 – May 2014**
- b. **Any other suggestions you have for improvement?**

We are still coming to grips with the Directive and implementation implications.