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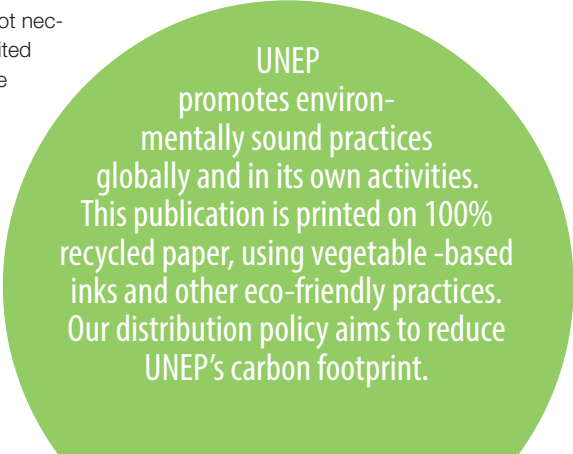
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## Glossary of Terms

|              |                                                                   |                |                                         |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>ADB</b>   | Asian Development Bank                                            | <b>MWh</b>     | megawatt-hour                           |
| <b>BOO</b>   | build-operate-own                                                 | <b>MWp</b>     | megawatt-peak                           |
| <b>BOT</b>   | build-operate-transfer                                            | <b>O&amp;M</b> | operations and maintenance              |
| <b>CAREC</b> | Central American Renewable Energy and Cleaner Production Facility | <b>OPIC</b>    | Overseas Private Investment Corporation |
| <b>CCFC</b>  | Calpine Construction Finance Facility                             | <b>PV</b>      | photovoltaic                            |
| <b>CDM</b>   | Clean Development Mechanism                                       | <b>PPA</b>     | power purchase agreement                |
| <b>CER</b>   | certified emission reduction                                      | <b>PPP</b>     | public-private partnership              |
| <b>DFI</b>   | development finance institution                                   | <b>PRG</b>     | partial risk guarantee                  |
| <b>EIA</b>   | environmental impact assessment                                   | <b>PRI</b>     | political risk insurance                |
| <b>GSM</b>   | Global System for Mobile Communications                           | <b>REFIT</b>   | renewable energy feed-in tariff         |
| <b>GW</b>    | gigawatt                                                          | <b>REPP</b>    | Renewable Energy Procurement Program    |
| <b>IEEE</b>  | Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers                 | <b>SE4All</b>  | Sustainable Energy for All              |
| <b>IPCC</b>  | Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change                         | <b>SHS</b>     | Solar Home Systems                      |
| <b>IPO</b>   | initial public offering                                           | <b>SME</b>     | small or medium sized enterprise        |
| <b>IPP</b>   | independent power producer                                        | <b>UN</b>      | United Nations                          |
|              |                                                                   | <b>UNEP</b>    | United Nations Environment Programme    |
|              |                                                                   | <b>USAID</b>   | United States Agency                    |

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