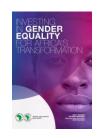


3rd Annual Workshop on advancing SE4All country action in Africa

Side event on Gender, Energy and Clean Cooking Solutions

11th February, 2015 @12h30-14h30, AfDB CCIA









Background

The African Development Bank's (AfDB) Office of the Special Envoy on Gender (SEOG) in collaboration with the Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All) Africa Hub, the International Network on Gender and Sustainable Energy (ENERGIA) and the ECOWAS Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE) is organizing a side event that will focus on: 'Gender, Energy and Clean Cooking Solutions'.

The aim of the side-event is to raise awareness amongst development partners and African countries that access to clean cooking solutions, renewable energy and information technology are critical drivers of gender equality. This is necessary for achieving the global gender equality goals and providing significant opportunities for African women's empowerment. It will also offer the opportunity for all participants to discuss best practices and lessons learnt on creating an enabling environment based on the experience of development partners at the (i) policy, (ii) implementation, (iii) supply and (iv) demand level. The scope is to forge new partnerships and to inform the Bank's work in ensuring the empowering effect of clean energy, technology and entrepreneurship in Bank's operations—especially for women and girls.

The Bank recognizes the need to pursue a development path that promotes social equality and inclusion, improved economic wellbeing, and ecological sustainability. This is well captured in the AfDB's Energy Sector Policy and will be further reinforced by the New Deal on Energy for Africa that emphasizes the need to develop policies and programs to provide alternative energy sources, from traditional biomass, which would contribute to women's health as well as alleviating their time burden while at the same time building on Africa's economic development There are a number of efforts and initiatives across the region, and the Bank with its catalytic role could partner with such innovative initiatives to assist in integrating gender considerations in energy programs and projects and scaling these efforts across countries.

The Programme

TIMING	ACTIVITIES
Moderated by: Sheila Oparaocha - ENERGIA International Coordinator and Programme	
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12h30-12h35	Opening Remarks — AfDB's Special Envoy on Gender, Geraldine J Fraser- Moleketi
12h35-12h45	Best practices and lessons learnt on creating an enabling policy environment based on the experiences with ECOWAS Gender and Energy Policy by Monica Maduekwe ECREEE ECOW-GEN Coordinator - MMaduekwe@ecreee.org
12h45-13h00	Discussions
13h00-13h10	The case of Kenya – A successful story in integrating gender in the SE4All Action Agenda and Investment Prospectus by Faith Wandera Odongo, SE4ALL Focal Point and Deputy Director of Renewable Energy at Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, Kenya - fahamala@yahoo.com
13h10-13h20	Discussions
13h20-13h30	Global Village Energy Access (GVEP) Senegal on strategies and impacts on women entrepreneurship development/economic empowerment for scaling up energy access by Louis Seck, GVEP Senegal Programme Manager and Exminster of Renewable Energy Senegal - Louis.Seck@gvepinternational.org
13h30-13h40	Discussions
13h40-13h50	Women's role in the dissemination, adoption and uptake of clean cooking solutions based on the experiences of the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves by Radha Muthiah CEO of the GACC - muthiah@cleancookstoves.org
13h50-14h00	Discussions
14h00-14h10	Gender Actions Across the Energy Sector — Highlights from the World Bank Group by Inka Schomer <u>ischomer@worldbank.org</u>
14h10-14h25	Discussions
14h25-14h30	Closing Remarks - AfDB's Special Envoy on Gender, Geraldine J Fraser- Moleketi