

## High-Level Political Forum Side Event Women in Energy: Fueling development through women's empowerment and gender-inclusive energy practices

The Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves, United Nations Foundation, ENERGIA, Sustainable Energy for All, UN Women, World Bank, the Governments of Kenya and Norway, and Bright Green Renewable Energy Ltd. will convene an official HLPF side event on the pivotal and dynamic role of women in the energy sector and in achieving SDG7.

The event will highlight the importance of enhancing women's leadership and diversifying the involvement of women across the energy value chain, and what elements of an enabling environment can advance these goals. With contributions from governments, international organizations, and civil society, the panel discussion will address the successes, challenges, and pathways forward in empowering women in the energy sector and achieving SDG7.

Keynote: Paul Mbuthi, Senior Assistant Director, Renewable Energy, Ministry of Energy, Kenya

Panel Discussion moderated by Sheila Oparaocha, International Coordinator and Programme Manager, ENERGIA

## Panelists:

Hans Olav Ibrekk, Policy Director, Energy and Climate Change, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Dymphna van der Lans, CEO, Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves

Jem Porcaro, Senior Director for Energy Access, United Nations Foundation
Inka Schomer, Operations Officer, Gender Cross-Cutting Solutions Area, World Bank
Chebet Lesan, Founder & CEO, Bright Green Renewable Energy Ltd.

Closing Remarks: Yannick Glemarec, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director, UN Women

## Official side event:

















