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AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Workshop on advancing SE4All country action in Africa**

### **Side event on Gender, Energy and Clean Cooking Solutions**

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