Welcome to the
High-Level Dialogue on Energy
Online Stakeholders Thematic Debate

3 June 2021, 8:30AM - 10:30AM EDT
Welcome remarks and setting the scene

8:30 AM - 8:35 AM

• Mr. Minoru Takada, Energy Team leader, Division of Sustainable Development Goals, UN DESA

• Ms. Naiara Costa, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, UN DESA
Welcome Remarks

MS. NAIARA COSTA
DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (DSDG), UN DESA
SENIOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

• International Relations analyst serving as Senior Sustainable Development Officer at DSDG, UNDESA since 2018.
• Lead the International Secretariat of Together 2030 (2015 – 2018), a civil society network tracking the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
• Advocacy Director of Beyond 2015 (2014 – 2016), a global civil society campaign.
Participants are encouraged to use the chat box throughout the event.

Please, include the HLDE theme followed by your questions / suggestions.

This event is being recorded.
Welcome Remarks

**MR. MINORU TAKADA**

**DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (DSDG), UN DESA**

**ENERGY TEAM LEADER**

- Energy Team Leader at the Division for Sustainable Development Goals, UN DESA.
- Prior to this position, he served in a number of managerial positions with the United Nations, including at the Executive Office of the Secretary-General and the United Nations Development Programme.
- He started his career as a volunteer community organizer in Ghana.
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(1) ENERGY ACCESS

8:35 AM - 8:40 AM
Interventions from Co-Leads of Technical Working Group
• Mr. Stephen Halloway, Senior Advisor, World Bank

8:40 AM - 8:55 AM
Interventions from Stakeholders
• Mr. Sunil Dhingra, Senior Fellow and Associate Director, The Energy and Resources Institute
• Ms. Catherine Joyce, PhD Candidate at RIEL, Charles Darwin University
• Mr. Adekoyejo Kuye, Project Lead, Manamuz Electric LTD
Mr. Stephen Halloway serves as a Senior Advisor to the World Bank ESMAP program. He was Head of Mission and Special Representative of the Director-General United Nations Industrial Development Organization at United Nations Headquarters in New York and later worked on the development of the SEforALL initiative. He is currently on the faculty of the International Law Institute where he is course advisor for Governance and Anti-Corruption and Comparative Legislative Management.
Guiding Questions

• What are the three main challenges towards achieving SDG 7 energy access targets today?

• What are three concrete measures that should be taken by governments and stakeholders to address the main gaps and challenges related to SDG 7 energy access targets?
Energy access

Intervention from Stakeholders

MR. SUNIL DHINGRA,
THE ENERGY AND RESOURCES
SENIOR FELLOW AND ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

- Senior Fellow and Associate Director with Renewable Energy Technology Division of The Energy and Resources Institute.
- Specializes in the field of renewable energy and development, especially focusing on clean biomass and waste to energy solutions technology and policy areas, including agriculture, industries and rural electrification.
MS. CATHERINE JOYCE,
CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY
PHD CANDIDATE AT RIEL

• PhD candidate in the Centre for Renewable Energy and Research Institute for Environment and Livelihoods (RIEL) at Charles Darwin University, NT, Australia.
• Her PhD explores how off-grid energy systems of provision enable, sustain or constrain energy access in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
MR. ADEKOYEJO KUYE,
MANAMUZ ELECTRIC LTD
PROJECT LEAD

• Electrical Engineer, with his core competency in solar energy applications and energy efficiency.
• Helps to develop sustainable energy projects to unserved/underserved communities across Nigeria to help build a sustainable future.
• Current project lead at Manamuz Electric LTD where he coordinates and oversee all ongoing engineering projects.
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(2) ENERGY TRANSITION

8:55 AM - 9:00 AM
Interventions from Co-Leads of Technical Working Group
• Mr. Hongpeng Liu, Director, Energy Division, UN ESCAP

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM
Interventions from Stakeholders
• Ms. Paola Simonetti, Deputy Director of the Economic and Social Policy Department, International Trade Union Confederation
• Ms. Eileen Mairena Cunningham, Centro para la Autonomía y Desarrollo de los Pueblos Indígenas
• Mr. Vince Davidson J. Pacañot, Member-Advocate, 2030 Youth Force for the SDG in the Philippines
Energy transition

Intervention from Co-Lead of Technical Working Group

MR. HONGPENG LIU,
ENERGY DIVISION, UN ESCAP
DIRECTOR

• Director, Energy Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP).
• Leads the energy team in ESCAP to promote regional energy cooperation with a focus on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goal 7 in achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement.
• His work ranges from conducting policy studies, organizing intergovernmental meetings/policy dialogues, and providing advisory services to support member States through regional cooperation on sustainable energy development in Asia and the Pacific.
Guiding Questions

- What are the three main challenges towards achieving SDG 7 energy transition targets today?

- What are three concrete measures that should be taken by governments and stakeholders to address the main gaps and challenges related to SDG 7 energy transition targets?
MS. PAOLA SIMONETTI,
INTERNATIONAL TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POLICY DEPARTMENT

• Deputy Director of the Economic and Social Policy Department at the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC).
• Leads trade unions engagement on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at national, regional and global levels, and with multilateral institutions such as the UN, G20, ILO, OECD, and the EU.
Energy transition

Intervention from Stakeholders

MS. EILEEN MAIRENA CUNNINGHAM,
CENTRO PARA LA AUTONOMÍA Y DESARROLLO DE LOS PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS
ADVOCACY OFFICER

• Indigenous Miskito researcher from Nicaragua.
• She has been working for more than 20 years in participatory research and local development with Indigenous Peoples and indigenous Women focusing on issues of indigenous territorial governance and participatory management of natural resources in Latin America.
MR. VINCE DAVIDSON J. PACAÑOT,
2030 YOUTH FORCE FOR THE SDG IN THE PHILIPPINES
MEMBER-ADVOCATE

• A 23-year-old graduate student from the City of Puerto Princesa in Palawan, Philippines.
• His undergraduate degree is Bachelor of Science in Petroleum Engineering at his province’s state university and is currently taking his Master of Science in Energy Engineering degree at the University of the Philippines Diliman.
• He is currently engaged in think tanks of some organizations promoting the Sustainable Development Goals and national development.
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(3) ENABLING SDGS THROUGH INCLUSIVE, JUST ENERGY TRANSITIONS

9:15 AM - 9:20 AM
Interventions from Co-Leads of Technical Working Group
• Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief of Energy Section, Climate Change and Natural resource Sustainability Cluster, UN ESCWA

9:20 AM - 9:35 AM
Interventions from Stakeholders
• Ms. Soma Dutta, Senior Technical Advisor, ENERGIA
• Dr. Alison Halford, Research Fellow at the Centre of Data Science, Coventry University
• Ms. Charlotte Hugman, Research Lead for Climate and Energy Benchmark, World Benchmarking Alliance
• Mr. Muhammad Tariq Malik, Architect & Lecturer, Cecos University Peshawar
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Intervention from Co-Lead of Technical Working Group

MS. RADIA SEDAOUI,
CLIMATE CHANGE AND NATURAL RESOURCE SUSTAINABILITY CLUSTER, UN ESCWA
CHIEF OF ENERGY SECTION

• Chief of the Energy Section at the Climate Change and Natural Resource Sustainability Cluster of the UN Economic Social Commission of West Asia (ESCWA) since 2016.
• Extensive experience in energy policy advice, renewable energy and energy efficiency and energy modeling, water-energy-food nexus, economic diversification and climate change policies and technologies, oil and gas fiscal regimes and energy market developments.
Guiding Questions

• What are the three main challenges to maximizing the positive impacts of inclusive and just energy transitions on the achievement of the other SDGs?

• What are three concrete measures that should be taken by governments and stakeholders towards maximizing the positive impacts of inclusive and just energy transitions on the achievement of the other SDGs?
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MS. SOMA DUTTA,
ENERGIA
SENIOR TECHNICAL ADVISOR

- Socio-economist working on development issues surrounding energy access, poverty and gender.
- She has been supporting policy makers, utilities, programme practitioners, governments, NGOs and international organizations in Asia and Africa.
- Her areas of work include project design, M&E, research and capacity building. She is a member of the Advisory Group and a Senior Technical Advisor of ENERGIA, the International network on Gender and Sustainable Energy.
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DR. ALISON HALFORD,
COVENTRY UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH FELLOW AT THE CENTRE OF DATA SCIENCE

- Research Fellow at the Centre of Data Science, Coventry University, UK.
- Her work centres around building the capacity and resilience of marginalised communities.
- As part of the Humanitarian Engineering and Energy for Displacement (HEED) project, she is currently looking at ways to develop community co-design energy solutions and design protocols to meet the energy needs and aspirations of displaced people.
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Intervention from Stakeholders

MS. CHARLOTTE HUGMAN,
WORLD BENCHMARKING ALLIANCE
RESEARCH LEAD FOR CLIMATE AND ENERGY BENCHMARK

• Leads the research on WBA’s Climate and Energy Benchmark.
• Her work involves strategising and implementing how we turn our data into concrete impact; and creating results that enable companies, government, civil society, business/industry associations & all stakeholders to achieve a just transition and set their course for the Paris Agreement goals.
Mr. Muhammad Tariq Malik,
CECOS UNIVERSITY PESHAWAR
ARCHITECT & LECTURER

• Architect and Lecturer at Cecos University Peshawar.
• He is the Climate Reality Leader 2020, a Global Shaper & a Writer.
• Founder of a non profit organization called Ecokoor, which promotes eco-friendly homes and products in Pakistani communities. Ecokoor also educate Architects, contractors & general public on Sustainable Architecture and climate resilient design through webinars, workshops and video clips in local pashto language.

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Intervention from Stakeholders
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(4) INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY, AND DATA

9:40 AM - 9:45 AM
Interventions from Co-Leads of Technical Working Group
• Ms. Rana Ghoneim, Chief, Energy Systems and Infrastructure Division, UNIDO

9:45 AM - 10:00 AM
Interventions from Stakeholders
• Mr. José Ramón López, International Project Manager, Ente Vasco de la Energía
• Dr. Nanda Kumar Janardhanan, Senior Policy Specialist, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies
• Mr. Faisal Alfadl, Secretary General, Saudi Green Building Forum
Innovation, technology and data

Intervention from Co-Lead of Technical Working Group

MS. RANA GHONEIM,
ENERGY SYSTEMS AND INFRASTRUCTURE DIVISION, UNIDO CHIEF

- Leads the global industrial energy efficiency accelerator as part of the SEforALL’s global accelerator platform.
- She also leads the development of programs promoting sustainable energy use in industry in the MENA and Africa regions at the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.
- Over 20 years of international experience on the development and implementation of programs responding to a number of multilateral environmental agreements such as the Montreal protocol, Stockholm convention, and the UNFCCC.
- She holds a Master of Science in environmental economics from Imperial College London.
Guiding Questions

• What are the three main challenges regarding the development and application of data, technology, innovation, research and capacity building in support of SDG7 and carbon neutrality?

• What are three concrete measures that should be taken by governments and stakeholders regarding the development and application of data; technology, innovation, research and capacity building in support of SDG7 and carbon neutrality?
MR. JOSÉ RAMÓN LÓPEZ,
ENTE VASCO DE LA ENERGÍA
INTERNATIONAL PROJECT MANAGER.

- Has a B. Eng Electrical Engineer and MBA International Trade.
- Since the year 2002 Mr. López has worked for Ente Vasco de la Energía (EVE), the Basque Regional Government’s energy agency.
- During all his carrier he has been involved in international activities, coordinating and participating in numerous projects financed by the EC (through the energy RDI and regional cooperation programs) and multilateral institutions, related to renewable energy production and management, energy efficiency and saving and efficient and clean mobility.
DR. NANDA KUMAR JANARDHANAN,
INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES
SENIOR POLICY SPECIALIST

• Senior Policy Specialist at the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES), Japan.
• He specialises in energy and climate policy and has research interests in energy geopolitics, energy technology and low-carbon development. He has been associated with several policy think tanks, research organisations and universities of international repute.
Innovation, technology and data

Intervention from Stakeholders

MR. FAISAL ALFADL,
SAUDI GREEN BUILDING FORUM
SECRETARY GENERAL

• An architect, advocate and community builder in full capacity for one planet’s future
• Chief Representative to the United Nations, Secretary-General of Saudi Green Building Forum;
• founded saaf® certification for leadership in sustainability in energy, water, material, infrastructure and human experience
• Assisted and formed many chapters including Green Building, Sustainable Development and International Codes.
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(5) FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

10:00 AM - 10:05 AM
Interventions from Co-Leads of Technical Working Group
  • Mr. Manuel Baritaud, Senior Economist, European Investment Bank

10:05 AM - 10:20 AM
Interventions from Stakeholders
  • Mr. Miguel Muñoz, Head of the Climate Policies and Alliances, Iberdrola
  • Ms. Tara Caetano, Senior Professional Officer, ICLEI Africa
  • Ms. Andrea Michelle Viera Romero, PhD Candidate in the Environmental Science, State University of New York
  • Ms. Anahita Hosseini, Children and Youth Major Group
Finance and investment

Intervention from Co-Lead of Technical Working Group

MR. MANUEL BARITAUD
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK
SENIOR ECONOMIST

• Manuel Baritaud joined the European Investment Bank (EIB) in 2017 as senior economist specialising in the energy sector. He contributed to the EIB’s Energy Lending Policy, which was adopted in 2019.
• From 2011 to 2017, he was senior analyst at the International Energy Agency (IEA), in charge of electricity security and market design.
• Previously he held different positions in the industry and at the French Commission de Régulation de l'Energie, where he was responsible for electricity network tariffs.
• Manuel Baritaud holds a Master's degree from the Paris-Dauphine University and a PhD in industrial economics from the Ecole des Mines de Paris.
• What are the three main challenges to the mobilization and leverage of public and private finance and investment to achieve SDG7 and carbon neutrality?

• What are three concrete measures that should be taken by governments and stakeholders to mobilize and leverage public and private finance and investment to achieve SDG7 and carbon neutrality?
MR. MIGUEL MUÑOZ,
IBERDROLA
HEAD OF THE CLIMATE POLICIES AND ALLIANCES

• Head of the Climate Policies and Alliances in the Chairman’s Area at Iberdrola since 2015.
• From 2008 to 2014 he was part of the Direction of Regulatory Affairs at Iberdrola, coordinating the area of energy policy and studies.
• Until 2008 he was Technical Advisor on energy and environment at the Economic Bureau of the Spanish Prime Minister.

Finance and investment
Intervention from Stakeholders
MS. TARA CAETANO,
ICLEI AFRICA
SENIOR PROFESSIONAL OFFICER

- Energy economist with more than a decade of experience in climate change and development, with experience working in countries across Africa and Latin America.
- Holds an Engineering Masters in Energy Studies from the University of Cape Town.
- Her experience includes leading projects across Africa at the national and subnational level in areas such as long-term emission development strategies, energy transitions, development economics, and the circular economy.
MS. ANDREA MICHELLE VIERA ROMERO,
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK - SUNY ESF
PHD CANDIDATE IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

• PhD candidate in the Environmental Science program at SUNY ESF.
• Her current research examines industry perspectives on sustainability, by taking in consideration firms from the electricity generation, aquaculture and metallic mining industries in her home country. Experienced both academically and professionally, with a background on business management and environmental policy.
MS. ANAHITA HOSSEINI,
CHILDREN AND YOUTH MAJOR GROUP

- A 23-year-old graduate of Economics from Iran.
- She has worked as a Research Assistant on economic projects, as a Programme Intern at UNDP and is now working as a Junior Consultant at the UN. She has ranked 17th in the National Student Olympiad in Economics, won the bronze medal in the International German Olympiad 2014, and been awarded with the Fairness Prize.
- Through her volunteer work with the Movers Programme she empowers youth to become social entrepreneurs and leaders who work towards achievement of the SDGs.
Next steps and closing remarks

10:20 AM - 10:30 AM

- Ms. Lotta Tahtinen, Chief, Division of Sustainable Development Goals, UNDESA
MS. LOTTA TAHTINEN
DIVISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (DSDG),
UN DESA
CHIEF

• Guides the Division’s work around outreach, partnerships and stakeholder engagement related to the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.
• Has supported several major UN Conferences and their follow-up, including the 2012 UN Conference on Sustainable Development (or Rio +20), the 2014 Samoa Conference on Small Island Developing States, the 2016 Sustainable Transport Conference, and the 2017 UN Ocean Conference.
• She also coordinated the engagement of stakeholders in the intergovernmental process that led to the adoption of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in 2015.
• Before joining the UN in 2001, she worked at the International Organization for Migration from 1998-2001, and at the Parliament of Finland from 1996-1998. She holds a Masters degree in International Relations from the University of Tampere, Finland.
Next Steps

**Ministerial-level Thematic Forums**

Ministerial-level Thematic Forums will bring together key stakeholders virtually over five days, **21-25 June 2021**, to mobilize actions as a major milestone on the road to the High-level Dialogue on Energy in September 2021.

**Energy Compacts**

Energy Compacts are voluntary commitments from Member States and non-state actors, such as companies, regional/local governments, NGOs, and others. These stakeholders commit to an Energy Compact that includes the specific actions they will take to support progress on SDG7.
Thank you!


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