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SPOTLIGHT

The Practitioner Network Chats with

Jeffrey Prins, Head of Portfolio, IKEA Foundation

In this issue's interview Spotlight, Jeffrey Prins talks to the EAPN on IKEA Foundation's involvement in energy access, especially regarding humanitarian and nexus issues, as well as on the importance of partnerships to maximize impact.

[Watch the Interview](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- **Climate Launchpad: Green Business Ideas Competition**

To enter the competition, an idea or innovation that can make environmental impact needs to be submitted. Climate Launchpad will help fast track that idea into a business and bypass all possible pitfalls along the way.

- **Global Global Lighting and Energy Access Partnership: Off-Grid Cold Chain Challenge**

The Global LEAP Off-Grid Cold Chain Challenge is an international competition to identify and promote the most energy-efficient, sustainable and cost-effective technologies that can meet the cold storage requirements for fresh fruits, vegetables and dairy products.

- **PFAN - Call for Proposals for Climate & Clean Energy Projects in Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia | No Deadline**

Selected projects will receive no-cost coaching by professional consultants and once they are investment-ready, will benefit from PFAN's Investment Facilitation services. Entrepreneurs looking to initiate or scale-up clean energy or other climate change-related projects and seeking an investment of up to \$50 million are invited to apply.

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MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Angaza and BioLite partner to make solar lighting system affordable for off-grid families

The partnership makes the BioLite's Solar-Powered Light, Charging & Radio system (SolarHome 620) compatible with Angaza's Pay-As-You-Go technology to make the lighting system affordable for off-grid families.

Launch of East Africa Renewable Energy Federation to Promote Access in the Region

Several East Africa renewable energy associations, under the East Africa Renewable Energy Partnership project financed by German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation (BMZ), met in Rwanda in April, 2018 to launch East African Renewable Energy Federation (EAREF).

Navigant Research Report estimates global market for off-grid energy to total USD 350 Billion between 2018- 2027

A new **Navigant Research** Report analyzes the global market for off-grid distributed energy resources technologies and provides a summary of innovative uses and business models, along with forecasts.

IKEA Foundation partners with SELCO Foundation to bring renewable energy to underserved communities

SELCO Foundation and the IKEA Foundation recently announced a partnership that aims to provide reliable and affordable energy in India, where many impoverished families have little or no electricity for their homes, schools, livelihoods and health centres in India.

UNDP and TRINE partner to scale-up private investment in high-impact energy projects

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and impact investment platform TRINE announced their partnership in the off-grid solar space for scale-up of private investment in energy access projects.

More Member Highlights



Featured Resource:
Energy Access Practitioner Network Survey 2017

The sixth annual Energy Access Practitioner Network brochure surveys the membership to identify trends and valuable market intelligence for stakeholders in the decentralized energy access sector. This year's survey also includes a special spotlight on gender issues. [Read More](#)



From the Network:
SEforALL Forum Recap

Updates from UNF's presence at the SEforALL Forum both on stage and behind the scenes, screening of the [Powering Health Care video](#), launch of the Energy Access Practitioner Network Survey. [Read More](#)

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