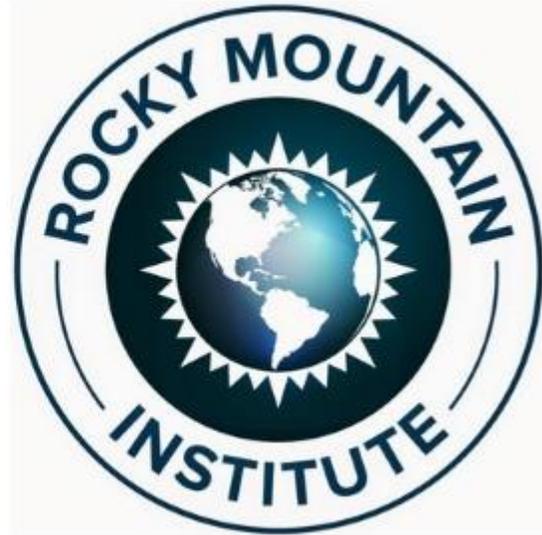




SPOTLIGHT



The Practitioner Network Chats with Eric Wanless of Rocky Mountain Institute

In this issue's interview spotlight, Eric Wanless of the Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) discusses RMI's energy access work in Africa, offers key insights from the recent Minigrad Investment Report, and talks about lessons learned from their country engagement work.

[Watch the Interview](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Bloomberg New Energy Pioneers 2019

[DEADLINE: OCTOBER 26](#)

The New Energy Pioneers identify game-changing companies globally in the field of clean energy, advanced materials technology, innovation and other areas. Winners will be unveiled at the Future of Energy Summit, offering media attention and networking opportunities.

2019 Ashden Awards

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 6

Ashden annually selects 10 winners from around the world to receive a prize fund and global recognition for their achievements in increasing access to sustainable energy, promoting sustainable travel and helping build a low-carbon future.

USAID Development Innovation Ventures

DEADLINE: YEAR-ROUND

USAID awards flexible, tiered grant funding to test development solutions that demonstrate evidence of impact cost-effectiveness, and a viable pathway to scale and sustainability. Proposals are accepted throughout the year from all organizations in a country where USAID operates.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



SOLARKIOSK Inaugurates Solar-powered Mini-clinics for Refugee Communities in Bangladesh

SOLARKIOSK, along with Abundant Future Organization and HOPE Foundation, implemented its solar-powered E-HUBB technology in 5 mini-clinics in a Bangladesh refugee camp. These are each powered by 2kwP systems, equipped with air conditioning, fridges for vaccination, ECG and other testing devices, treatment and delivery rooms.

[OPIC commits \\$25 million through SunFunder to expand access to off-grid power in Africa and Asia](#)

The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) has committed \$25M in financing to the Solar Energy Transformation Fund LLC managed by SunFunder. The fund is projected to make individual loans to more than 50 off-grid solar companies.

[Okra Solar closes a 'Pre-seed' round from Schneider Electric to power more off-grid households](#)

Okra Solar, an Australian based technology company has successfully closed a 'Pre-seed' round of funding led by Schneider Electric Energy Access, paving the way for the innovative smart microgrid company to energise more off-grid households across South East Asia.

[The Global Plan of Action for Sustainable Energy Solutions in Situations of Displacement invites practitioners to join working groups.](#)

The Global Plan of Action Framework is a multi-sectoral effort to accelerate progress on sustainable energy solutions in situations of displacement. Practitioners can learn how to support humanitarian energy by joining the working groups [here](#).

NEW PRACTITIONER NETWORK MEMBERS

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FEATURED RESOURCES



OFF-GRID APPLIANCE MARKET SURVEY:

Perceived Demand and Impact Potential of Household, Productive Use and Healthcare Technologies

Final Report

SEPTEMBER 2018

EFFICIENCY FOR ACCESS SOLUTIONS



[Off-Grid Appliance Market Survey](#)

The Energy Access Practitioner network, in collaboration with Efficiency for Access, recently conducted an online survey of energy access professionals to assess the demand and impact potential of 46 off-grid appropriate appliances across household, productive use, and healthcare applications.

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FROM THE NETWORK

[Update on Practitioner Network Activities](#)

Practitioner Network Manager - Ruchi Soni gives a recap of the Network's activities including co-hosting an Off-Grid workshop at Intersolar South America and visit to Uganda under their Powering Health Care initiative.

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