



Sustainable Energy for All Forum Session

In Her Voice: Entrepreneurship in the Last Mile

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Kigali Convention Centre (KCC) Room MH1*

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ENERGIA and Solar Sister are co-hosting a session at the SEforALL Forum on women's pivotal and critical role in the energy sector and achieving universal energy access.

Women entrepreneurs in last-mile communities work at the forefront of the energy challenges. Although their needs and rights are often excluded, these women carry the burdens of whole communities. This event will provide insights on the projects that ENERGIA has been supporting in Asia and Africa and Solar Sister's work to help local women in Africa create sustainable, women-run, clean energy businesses. A focus will be on women's entrepreneurial journey, illustrating how women are more than just beneficiaries of access to clean energy. When empowered, they are dynamic change agents to drive the Agenda 2030.

Moderator: Ms Olasimbo Sojinrin, Country Director at Solar Sister Nigeria.

Speakers:

- **Ms Adebola Eunice Oladejo**

Oladejo Eunice Adebola is a teacher with Oyo State Universal Basic Education Board, Nigeria. She became a Solar Sister Entrepreneur in 2017; since then, she has sold over 570 units of solar lamps and clean cookstoves, reaching over 2,800 people in the Egbeda Community of Oyo State. She is a leader and continuously advocates for a clean energy transition in underserved communities. She is a true champion for contributing positively to eradicating energy poverty in her community.

- **Ms Rose Sagna**

Rose Sagna is a small-scale farmer from Senegal. After the death of her husband, she became a market gardening entrepreneur. In 2018 she switched to a solar water pumping system, which significantly cut her fuel and labor costs and strengthened her business. This experience made her a powerful advocate for women's economic empowerment via clean energy. Rose runs a sewing workshop and is very active in her community, mainly helping unwanted or orphaned children.

- **Ms Millicent Anyango Odira**

Millicent Anyango Odira is a ICS entrepreneur from Kenya. In 2008, she heard of a group of women who dealt with production of improved cook stoves, and joined the group. This was the beginning of her journey in clean energy promotion. Overtime, Millicent's business has expanded, she is now a licensed entrepreneur. She has registered her business with the name Mildra Green energy and Technology. Millicent has been inspired and motivated to bring change in the life of women.

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