

Solar Sister

Project title

A Green Energy Revolution Powered by Women's Enterprise

Consortium partners

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Country

Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda

Timeframe

2014 – 2017

Funding

Total project funds: €650,000

ENERGIA contribution: €487,500

Donors

Swedish Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)

Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad)

Objectives

General objective

A world where women are key drivers of a green revolution, where every household has access to clean, safe, affordable energy so that children have light to study, women can cook dinner without smoke, families have energy for productive uses and the environment is not sacrificed on a daily basis by household energy consumption

Specific objectives

- **Women Empowerment:** Bridge the gender based 'technology gap' by expanding Solar Sister Entrepreneur (SSE) network by recruiting, training and empowering 1,000 women entrepreneurs.
- **Energy Access:** Improve energy access by addressing the challenge of last mile distribution, and provide clean energy to 804,000 underserved people in Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Technologies

Solar lighting, improved cookstoves

Targets

1,000 women-led Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)

804,000 consumers

Value added strategy for overall WE programme

Fostering women's leadership through sisterhood gatherings and leadership as cross cutting theme in all trainings

Outcomes

- Women play an active role in the clean energy supply chain
- Widespread adoption of clean energy technology at the base of pyramid.