

ASIA CLEAN ENERGY FORUM 2018

HARNESSING INNOVATION TO POWER THE FUTURE

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Women Entrepreneurship in Clean Energy

8 June (Friday), 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Background

During ACEF 2017, PFAN together with ADB and ENERGIA had organized a session called “Voices from Grassroots”, where clean energy women entrepreneurs had presented their businesses. This was well received by the audience and ADB intends to conduct a deep dive workshop, dedicated to fostering support for women entrepreneurs in the clean energy business.

Objective of the Workshop

To exhibit the path to entrepreneurship for aspiring clean energy women entrepreneurs in Asia by examining current cases, the macro-environment and gender-lens investment climate.

Agenda

Time	Activity
1 hour	Presentation by the projects: The selected projects will make a 10 minute presentation about their business and plans, followed by Q&A to the projects and a panel discussions to further enumerate their challenges etc. This part may be similar to the “Voices from Grassroots” session from ACEF 2017
1 hour	Examining the macro-environment: There could be specific presentations by a few countries in the region, examining the incentives and challenges to women entrepreneurs in clean energy in particular and business in general. This can then be followed by a group discussion
1 hour	Gender-lens investment climate: Have a few specific investors speak on investment criteria. The idea is to discuss all types of investments such as grants/equity/debt etc.

Preparation / Additional Information for Participants

The projects will have to come on 4th June and there shall be a preparatory business plan workshop, to be conducted by PFAN on 5th June. The project developers would have already been in touch with the allocated mentors and would be in the process of refining their plans and presentations. During the workshop further one-on-one interactions shall be carried out. All other participants in the panels shall need to send in their presentations (max. 5 minutes) highlighting significant aspects of their work or the work of the organizations that they have been representing.

About the Organizers

The Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) identifies promising clean energy projects at an early stage and provides mentoring for development of a business plan, investment pitch, and growth strategy, significantly enhancing the prospect of financial closure.

Energia, founded in 1996 has been working on several projects , some of them being Women's Economic Empowerment, Gender and Energy Advocacy, Gender and Energy Research and Gender Mainstreaming.

The Association for Rural Electrification (ARE) global industry association that supports all businesses along the whole value-chain of renewable solutions for rural electrification in developing and emerging countries.

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