

# **Community Renewable Energy: Citizen Involvement in the Energy Transition**

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# Solutions Center Background and Vision

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- Is one of 13 CEM Initiatives, which include:
  - Global Superior Energy Performance Partnership
  - Super-Efficient Equipment and Appliance Deployment initiative
  - Global Lighting and Energy Access Partnership
- Helps governments design and adopt policies and programs that support the deployment of clean energy technologies
- Has more than 35 partners, including IRENA, IEA, IPEEC, Sustainable Energy for All, Bloomberg New Energy Finance and Leonardo Energy
- Is co-chaired by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Australian Department of Industry.



# Clean Energy Solutions Center

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## Goals

- **Serve** as the primary resource for clean energy policy information, assistance and peer learning for governments and government-affiliated practitioners.
- **Share** policy best practices, data, and analysis tools across countries.
- **Deliver** dynamic services that enable expert assistance, learning, and peer-to-peer sharing of experiences.
- **Foster** dialogue on emerging policy issues and innovation across the globe.

## Primary

- Government Policy Makers
- Advisors

## Secondary

- Private Sector Companies
- Energy Entrepreneurs and Investors
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Civil Society
- Others Engaged in Clean Energy

## Target Audiences

# Ask-an-Expert: Our Experts in Action

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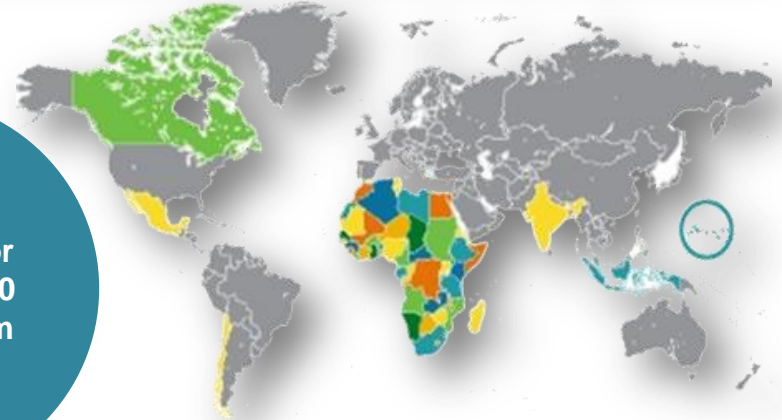


Connects policymakers to a global network of more than 30 energy experts for quick-response technical assistance on policies and programs relating to:



- Renewable Energy
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- Energy Efficiency
- Smart Grid
- Transportation
- Utilities

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# Christine Lins, Executive Secretary, REN21



Ms. Lins was appointed as Executive Secretary of the Renewable Energy Policy Network of the 21st Century (REN21) in July 2011. REN21 is a global, public-private multi-stakeholder network on renewable energy that convenes international organisations, governments, industry associations, science and academia as well as NGOs working in the field of renewable energy. REN21 has its headquarters at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in Paris, France. Ms. Lins has more than 18 years of working experience in the field of renewable energy sources.

# Dirk Vansintjan, President, REScoop.eu



Dirk is the co-founder of various co-housing projects and one of the largest energy co-operatives in Europe: Ecopower (1991). He also co-founded the umbrella organisation for renewable energy in Flanders: Organisatie voor Duurzame Energie Vlaanderen (ODE-Vlaanderen) in 1996 and the Belgian federation REScoop.be (2010). He is currently president of [REScoop.eu](https://rescoop.eu) (2013), the European federation of groups and co-operatives of citizens for Renewable Energy. Ecopower now has 50,000 members and supplies 1.5% of the Flemish households with green electricity. REScoop.eu is now an associate-member of Cooperatives Europe.

# Question and Answer Session

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