

Scaling Off-grid Energy Grand Challenge for Development: New Partnership Opportunity

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- **Eric Lockhart**, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

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- **Molly Doyle**, Senior Technical Adviser, USAID
- **Maurice Kent**, Innovation Adviser and Program Officer, USAID
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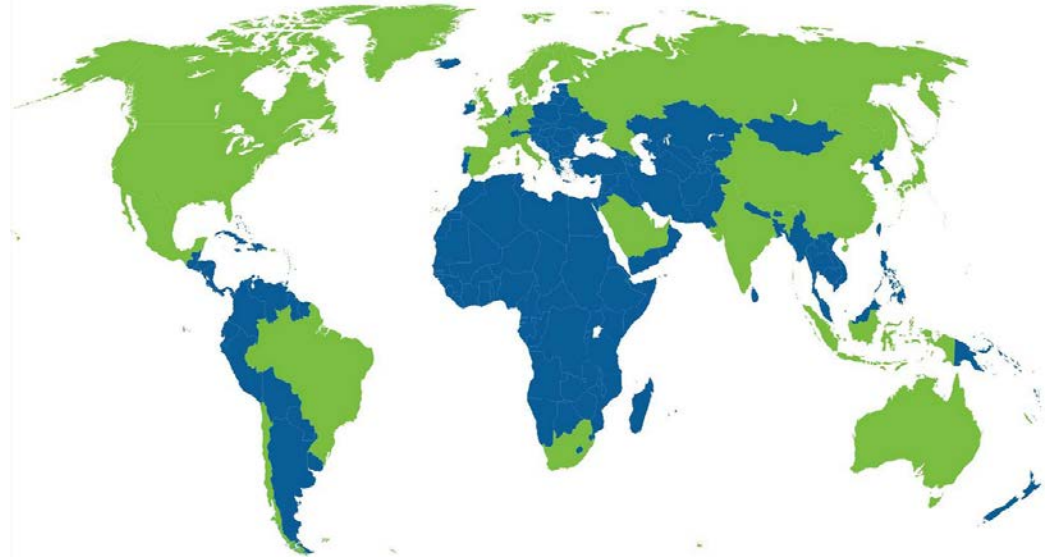
Clean Energy Ministerial

The Solutions Center:

- Launched under the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) in 2011

Clean Energy Ministerial:

- A high-level global forum to promote policies and programs that advance clean energy technology, to share lessons learned and best practices, and to encourage the transition to a global clean energy economy.



90%
of
Clean energy
investment

&

75%
of
Global CO₂
emissions

Solutions Center: Background & Vision

The **Solutions Center** helps governments design and adopt policies and programs that support the deployment of clean energy technologies.

Led by Australia, Sweden, and United States, with in-kind support from Canada and Mexico.



Solutions Center: Goals and Audience

Programs and Services

- **Team of 60+ experts from around the globe delivered technical support for 350+ policy requests from more than 80 countries**
 - Extensive support across Africa, Asia, and LAC
 - Launched support for finance measures and finance portal in 2015
- **Trained over 15,000 officials through more than 225 webinars and training events with others**
- **Strong & growing partnerships with development agencies and regional and global organizations in delivery of support**
- **Over 5500 resources in curated library for policy makers**

Target Audiences

- **Primary**
 - Government Policy Makers and Advisors
- **Secondary**
 - Private-Sector Companies
 - Energy Entrepreneurs and Investors
 - Non-Governmental Organizations
 - Civil Society
 - Others Engaged in Clean Energy

Solutions Center: Partnerships

More than 35 international partners

- IRENA
- IEA
- Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL)
- Bloomberg New Energy Finance
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- ECOWAS Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
- Power Africa

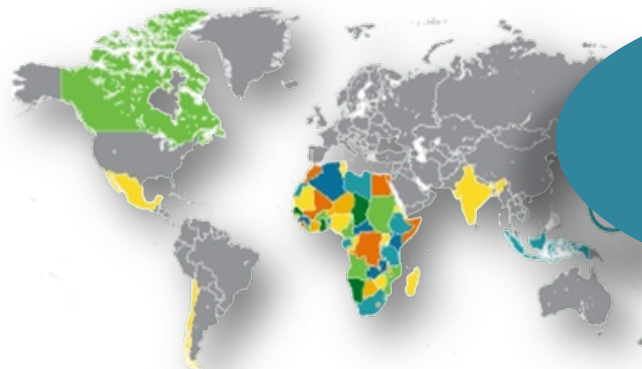


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- Energy Access
- Energy Efficiency
- Renewable Energy
- Smart Grid
- Transportation
- Utilities



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Molly Doyle, Senior Technical Adviser, USAID



Molly is a senior advisor for Scaling Off-Grid Energy, a USAID initiative to increase energy access in sub-Saharan Africa. With a background in renewable energy and entrepreneurship, she has worked as an energy investment advisor in East and West Africa, co-founded a solar company, patented multiple solar cell technologies and worked as an energy lobbyist at both the state and federal levels.

Maurice Kent, Innovation Adviser and Program Officer, USAID



Maurice is an Innovation Adviser and Program Officer at USAID's U.S. Global Development Lab. As part of the Scaling Off-Grid Energy team, he manages a portfolio of investments in off-grid energy companies and designs new investment opportunities. He has spent nearly eight years as a civil servant, building government start-ups in the U.S. Foreign Assistance world.

Alex Towns Blake, Senior Adviser and Program Manager, USAID



Alex is Senior Advisor for SOGE at USAID, where he helps drive new partnerships to increase investment in off-grid energy services in Africa. His energy investment advisory experience spans East and West Africa, as well as Southeast Asia, including with the IFC's Lighting Africa/ Global program, Enclude (advisory arm of Triodos Bank), and the US African Development Foundation. He began his career as an entrepreneur.

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