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Sustainable Energy for All Initiative

1.2 billion people worldwide are without access to electricity, and a billion more have only intermittent access. **2.8 billion** people lack access to clean cooking solutions.

In response, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched a new initiative in 2011 by the same name (SE4ALL), calling on governments, businesses, and civil society to make commitments to action to accomplish **three objectives** by 2030:

 **ENSURING**
universal access
TO MODERN ENERGY SERVICES.

 **DOUBLING THE GLOBAL RATE OF IMPROVEMENT IN**
energy efficiency.

 **DOUBLING THE SHARE OF**
renewable energy
IN THE GLOBAL ENERGY MIX.

The UN General Assembly Member States have unanimously declared 2014-2024 as the **Decade of Sustainable Energy for All.**



80 countries and thousands of businesses and NGOs have committed to support a wide range of energy services to deliver universal energy access by 2030.



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Energy Access Practitioner Network



1600+

members



>50 million

households electrified



191

countries

- focus on market-based mini- & off-grid solutions
- catalyze energy service delivery at country level
- promote adoption of new technologies, innovative financial & business models
- best practices, peer-to-peer learning
- a “network of networks”



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Practitioner Network in Central America

- The International Energy Agency estimates that micro-grid & decentralized energy solutions will be the pathway to electricity access for roughly **60 percent** of the people who now lack it.
- The Practitioner Network membership has a strong presence in the region – **224 member organizations** out of 970 report operating in Central America.
- The case studies that will be presented today offer an opportunity for practitioners to learn more about the **technical, financial, policy and regulatory aspects** behind current electrification efforts in Central America, and to leverage lessons learned.

This webinar session brings together three illustrious presenters to discuss the current status of energy access and efforts around scaling in Central America in depth.

