



Sustainable Energy for All Forum Session

In Her Voice: Entrepreneurship in the Last Mile

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Solar Sister and ENERGIA are co-hosting a session at the SEforALL Forum on women's pivotal and critical role in the energy sector and achieving universal energy access.

Women entrepreneurs in last-mile communities work at the forefront of the energy challenges. Although their needs and rights are often excluded, these women carry the burdens of whole communities. This event will provide insights on the projects that ENERGIA has been supporting in Asia and Africa and Solar Sister's work to help local women in Africa create sustainable, women-run, clean energy businesses. A focus will be on women's entrepreneurial journey, illustrating how women are more than just beneficiaries of access to clean energy. When empowered, they are dynamic change agents to drive the Agenda 2030.

Moderators: Ms. Olasimbo Sojinrin, Country Director at Solar Sister Nigeria, and Ms. Silvia Sartori, Women's Economic Empowerment Senior Project Manager at ENERGIA.

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Speakers:

- Ms Adebola Eunice Oladejo

Oladejo Eunice Adebola is a teacher with Oyo State Universal Basic Education Board, Nigeria. She became a Solar Sister Entrepreneur in 2017; since then, she has sold over 570 units of solar lamps and clean cookstoves, reaching over 2,800 people in the Egbeda Community of Oyo State. She is a leader and continuously advocates for a clean energy transition in underserved communities. She is a true champion for contributing positively to eradicating energy poverty in her community.

- Ms Rose Sagna

Rose Sagna is a small-scale farmer from Senegal. After the death of her husband, she became a market gardening entrepreneur. In 2018 she switched to a solar water pumping system, which significantly cut her fuel and labor costs and strengthened her business. This experience made her a powerful advocate for women's economic empowerment via clean energy. Rose runs a sewing workshop and is very active in her community, mainly helping unwanted or orphaned children.

- Ms Anjeline Adem

Angeline Adem has been a solar entrepreneur since 2010. In 2021, she diversified into improved cookstoves. Since she has started selling and using clean energy, her health condition has improved (Angeline is asthmatic). She aspires to grow a large and prosperous clean energy business to the benefit of her children and community.

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