

Press Release

Africa's Energy Transition Takes Center Stage in Brussels

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Brussels is set to host a landmark event spotlighting Africa's energy transformation, as European and African leaders, innovators, and policymakers gather to discuss the future of sustainable energy on the continent. **'Africa in Transition - A Bright Future for Energy and Communities'**, taking place on **20-21 May 2025**, will showcase groundbreaking renewable energy solutions, explore key policy and investment opportunities, and highlight the role of local communities in driving sustainable change.

Organised under the umbrella of the European Commission funded projects: [SESA](#) (Smart Energy Solutions for Africa) and [ENERGICA](#) (Energy Access in Urban and Rural Africa), the event will provide a platform for leading experts, policymakers, researchers, businesses, and community representatives to discuss how local energy solutions can drive Africa's sustainable future.

A Local and Scalable Energy Transition

Across Africa, communities are at the heart of crafting innovative, localised solutions tailored to their unique contexts. Discussions will explore impactful solutions in electric mobility, water treatment, clean cooking, mini-grids, and more, showcasing the role of natural resource conservation and innovation in these advancements.

Attendees will hear from experts and practitioners directly involved in piloting energy solutions in eleven African countries. The sessions will explore the key enabling factors for progress, including policy frameworks, private investment opportunities, and capacity-building initiatives.

Bridging Policy and Innovation

The event focuses on the projects alignment with major international initiatives, such as the [EU-Africa: Global Gateway Investment Package](#) and the AU-EU Innovation Agenda. The discussion will center on the transformation of pilot solutions into scalable business models, setting the stage for the next chapter of Africa's energy transition.

The event is open to journalists, policymakers, researchers, NGOs, SMEs, and regulatory bodies interested in Africa's energy transition. It provides a unique networking opportunity



for those eager to exchange ideas, establish new partnerships, and gain insights from real-world case studies in Africa's energy sector.

Event Details

Date: 20-21 May 2025

Venue: Le Bouche à Oreille, Rue Félix Hap, 11 – 1040, Brussels, Belgium

About Smart Energy Solutions for Africa (SESA)

Smart Energy Solutions for Africa (SESA) is a collaborative project between the European Union and nine African countries (**Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa and Tanzania**) that for over three years has provided energy access technologies and easily replicable business models in Africa, generating local opportunities for economic development and social cohesion.

The SESA project focuses on demonstrating integrated energy services for rural and urban communities, fostering local entrepreneurship and avoiding unsustainable energy lock-ins. Ultimately, maximising its impact through innovation and collaboration.

About Energy Access in Urban and Rural Africa (ENERGICA)

ENERGICA, with 11 European and 17 African partners, promotes sustainable energy in Africa and Europe. It develops innovative solutions at three sites: nano-grids for water and food in rural **Madagascar**, biogas and water purification in peri-urban **Sierra Leone**, and solar-powered electric mobility for mototaxis in urban **Kenya**.

ENERGICA's co-creation approach ensures solutions meet local needs, boosting market uptake and sustainability. The project aims to impact 1,500 stakeholders through local business, workforce creation, and manufacturing. By integrating energy access with economic development, ENERGICA drives lasting social, economic, and environmental benefits.

Media Registration and Contact

Journalists and media representatives interested in covering the event can request interviews and press materials by contacting:



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