

UNFCCC COP28 Side Event, Blue Zone
Friday, 8 Dec. 2023 Time: 11:30-13:00, Dubai, UAE
Section B6, SE Room 1, Building #79



Title: 100% Renewable & Local Solutions: Africa, South Asia & Local Climate Resilience and Poverty Reduction

The side-event will showcase Community & Eco-Village Development that is contributing to climate mitigation, adaptation & resilience. Importantly the solutions and concepts to be presented are also contributing to development out of poverty with a number of social benefits including income generation, food security, livelihood improvements, and gender equity.

In addition to specific sustainable energy and livelihood solutions, we will present:

- Climate resilience in ecovillages and ReGENerative education
- Participatory planning & training for local development in Africa, South Asia & around the world,
- Interesting collection of solutions in online catalogues,
- How local solutions can lead to national transition to 100% renewables, with scenarios of Kenya and Uganda and how they can contribute to climate actions and NDCs in line with the 1.5°C target in sustainable ways.

PROGRAM

Welcome by the organizers. Introduction by moderators: Ms. Judit Szoleczky and Mr. Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE Climate Resiliency in Ecovillages by Mr. Rob Wheeler, Global Ecovillage Network (GEN)

ReGENerative Education by Ms. Piedad Viteri, Ecopopulation, Johannes Kepler College, GEN-Latin America, Ecuador.

Participatory planning of ecovillage development concept in South Asia, including women, by Ms. Anzoo Sharma and Mr. Manesh Shrestha, CRT Nepal – ONLINE & IN PERSON

Local solutions in Nepal, Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka; ways of promotion the local solutions. Available solutions for climate change adaptations. by Mr. Sanjiv Nathan, & Mr. Raymond Myles INSEDA India / INFORSE South Asia, ONLINE

Local solutions in East Africa, database of local solutions. by Ms. Mary Swai, TaTEDO SESO, Tanzania / INFORSE East Africa and Ms. Judit Szoleczky, INFORSE. ONLINE & IN PERSON.

Importance of Train-the-Trainer programs on sustainable solutions. by Mr. Daniele Pagani, Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, Denmark - ONLINE

100% renewable energy for Kenya + Uganda, including local solutions' contributions; Global 100% renewable energy, by Mr. Norbert Nyandire, Suswatch Kenya.

Dialogue on integration of local solutions in ecovillage strategies in climate plans and NDCs.

Organisers: Global Ecovillage Network (GEN International), INSEDA (International Network for Sustainable Energy - INFORSE-South Asia), Nordic Folkecenter for Renewable Energy, SusWatch Kenya.

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