

Power Kick for Africa 2011

3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE AFRICAN RENEWABLE ENERGY ALLIANCE ON RENEWABLE ENERGY AND GENDER

June 29 – July 01, 2011 – Nicon Luxury Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria

SOLAR POWERED PUBLIC SCREENING OF THE WOMEN'S FOOTBALL WORLD CUP 2011

June 30, 2011 – Abuja, Nigeria

The 3rd international conference of the African Renewable Energy Alliance (AREA) on the topic of „Renewable Energy & Gender“ will be jointly organized by AREA, the World Future Council (WFC) and the Heinrich Böll Foundation Nigeria, partnering with the Energy Commission of Nigeria and ECREEE.

The conference will assemble policy makers, representatives from business and civil society to facilitate a pan-african information exchange. The participants will consult about policies, technologies and financial mechanisms for the deployment of renewable energies in Africa, reflecting the fact that gender is a main determinant that defines access, ways of utilization, opportunities and control over all energy resources. As renewable energy could be a tool for gender equality and women empowerment, gender perspectives are a critical component of policy making at all levels.

The interconnection of renewable energy and gender will be highlighted during a solar powered public screening of the Women's Football World Cup in Abuja, as the Nigerian national team has qualified for the tournament in Germany.

Building on the positive experiences of “Power Kick for Africa” conducted in June 2010 in Ghana in a rural off-grid setting, this year's screening of the Women's World Cup in Nigeria's capital will combine the theoretical discourse of the conference with a powerful demonstration of renewable energy in an urban context.

To supply reliable and sustainable power for the football screening, the venue will be equipped with solar PV by our partner Bosch Solar Energy AG. They also provide an information container showcasing the advantages of renewable energy that is to tour Nigeria after the event. Ideally, the surplus of energy production at the venue could be fed into the Nigerian national electricity grid.

Using this emotional, attractive and tangible approach of knowledge transfer we aim to:

- Contribute to the successful implementation of a renewable energy feed-in tariff (RE FiT) legislation in Nigeria and other African countries,
- Counter prejudices on renewable energy (RE),
- Deliver feasible, sustainable RE solutions in the context of modern city live,
- Accelerate the uptake of RE across Africa,
- Foster international cooperation on sustainable development based on access to RE,
- Highlight the importance of gender issues and women's empowerment for societies' development.



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RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS

The African Renewable Energy Alliance [AREA] is a platform for policy makers, representatives from business and civil society to exchange information and consult about policies, technologies and financial mechanisms for the deployment of renewable energies in Africa. AREA will play a catalytic role in promoting knowledge transfer and international cooperation.

www.area-net.org | www.area-network.ning.com

The World Future Council [WFC] is an international forum that addresses challenges to our common future and provides decision-makers with effective policy solutions. In-depth research underpins advocacy work for international agreements, regional policy frameworks and national lawmaking and thus produces practical and tangible results. The WFC is a registered charitable foundation in Hamburg, Germany.

www.worldfuturecouncil.org | www.futurepolicy.org



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The Green Political Foundation

The Heinrich Böll Foundation is part of the Green political movement that has developed worldwide as a response to the traditional politics of socialism, liberalism, and conservatism. Our main tenets are ecology and sustainability, democracy and human rights, self-determination and justice. We place particular emphasis on gender democracy, meaning social emancipation and equal rights for women and men.

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PARTNERSHIP



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Bosch Solar Energy's commitment to sustainability in Africa and their emphasis on exchange and networking to make the general public more aware of the advantages of a sustainable energy supply on the basis of renewable energy make them a key partner for the Power Kick for Africa conference and solar public viewing.



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