

EVENT AGENDA

DAY 1: 20 MAY 2025 – MORNING

08:30-09:30 Registration, welcome and setting the scene

09:30-11:00 *Advancing the green transition and sustainable growth in Africa*

Moderator: **Magdalena Sikowska**, ICLEI Europe

- **Philippe Schild**, Senior Expert, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission
- **Marianne Walpert**, Co-Founder, Simusolar, Tanzania
- **Representative**, DG International Partnerships, European Commission
- **Representative**, European Investment Bank
- **Kasper Rodil**, Associate Professor, Department of Architecture, Design and Media Technology, Aalborg University

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:30 *Exploring the Living Labs:*

Moderator: **Oliver Lah**, Technical University of Berlin, Germany

- **Session 1: Rural and peri-urban e-mobility in Kenya**
Moderator: **Annika Berlin**, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Kenya
Charles Ogalo, WeTu, Kenya
Habib Lukaya, Roam Electric, Kenya
- **Session 2: Mini and nano-grids: decentralized energy solutions in Ghana and Madagascar**
Moderator: **Edmund Teko**, TUB, Germany
Samuel Asare, Nastech Power Solutions, Ghana
Nicolas Saincy, Nanogrids Nanoe Energica, Madagascar
- **Session 3: Exploring the Water-Food-Energy nexus in Malawi, Sierra Leone and Tanzania**
Moderator: **Boris Heinz**, TUB, Germany
Gift Mwangairo, Smart Energy Enterprise, Malawi
Sisty Basil, Elico Foundation, Tanzania
Hugo Hoekstra, The Waste Transformers, country

13:30-14:30 Lunch

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DAY 1: 20 MAY 2025 – AFTERNOON

14:30-16:00

Accelerating Sustainable Energy Access in Africa: A Deep Dive into Viability of Business Models and Cross-Regional Learnings

Moderators: **Lakshimi Bhamidipati**, UNEP CCC, **Alemu Belay** (Smart Innovation Norway)

- E-Mobility: **Charles Ogalo**, WeTu, Kenya; **Zakariae Ouachakradi**, GEP, Morocco
- W-E-F Solar Irrigation: **Charles Ogalo**, WeTu, Kenya, **Marianne Walpert**, SimuSolar, Tanzania, **Gift Mwangairo**, SEE, Malawi
- Micro/Nano-Grid: **Samuel Asare**, Nastech Power Solutions, Ghana; **Nicolas Saincy**, NANOE, Madagascar

16:00-17:30

Concluding remarks and networking aperitif

DAY 2: 21 MAY 2025

08:30-09:00

Registration

09:00-11:00

Enhancing capacity for a sustainable energy transition: Lessons and future directions

Moderator: **Claudia Schroder**, ICLEI Africa, South Africa

- **Silvia Assalini**, ICLEI Europe, Belgium
- **Dr. Lena Schmid**, Hudara, Germany
- **Pascal Ateyo**, Energy Generation, Togo
- **Geoffrey Gasore**, University of Rwanda, Rwanda
- **Seif Hamoud**, EcoGreen Energy Solutions, Rwanda
- **Dr. Albert Kotawoke Awopone**, AMMUSTED, Ghana
- **Nicolas Saincy**, NANOE, Madagascar

About SESA

The SESA project aims to combat climate change and ensure sustainable energy access by developing replicable solutions with local partners. It focuses on demonstrating integrated energy services for rural and urban communities, fostering local entrepreneurship and avoiding unsustainable energy lock-ins. Ultimately, SESA seeks to maximize impact through innovation and collaboration.

About ENERGICA

ENERGICA focuses on demonstrating energy access solutions locally adapted, sourced and developed and matching local needs. The 11 African-based partners and 17 European-based partners thus efficiently collaborate in demonstrating positive social, environmental, technical and economic impacts from high energy-efficiency and low carbon emission renewable energy technologies of innovative nano grids in rural Madagascar; low-tech efficient biogas systems in peri-urban Sierra Leone; and solar-powered e-mobility solutions in urban Kenya.