



Dear Colleagues,

We would like to bring to your kind attention the second webinar in the webinar series organized by the African Energy Commission (AFREC) of the African Union, the South Centre, and the Clean Energy Innovations Partnership (CEIP), “Energy for sustainable development in Africa in the post-COVID-19 world – looking for the New Normal”.

Webinar 2

“Sustainable Energy for Africa: transition through growth. How to boost output, improve access and reduce impact on the nature and society? Technologies, scenarios, strategies, sources of finance and business models”

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Africa, particularly sub-Saharan Africa, has generally low levels of socio-economic development and energy usage. The COVID-19 outbreak and its consequent economic downturn present additional challenges and pose questions requiring urgent answers. Success of the pandemic measures depends upon, among other elements, a **strategic vision** reflecting current situation and future uncertainties; and aligning interests of all stakeholders. In order to build such strategic vision, we have invited leading experts in our webinars to facilitate information gathering and to generate ideas for further work on strategies development and stakeholders’ engagement necessary for the continent’s energy transition in the post-COVID-19 world.

This second webinar “*Sustainable Energy for Africa: transition through growth. How to boost output, improve access and reduce impact on the nature and society? Technologies, scenarios, strategies, sources of finance and business models*” will assess existing tools and future uncertainties with the purpose of generating strategic scenarios – realistic, resilient and capable of providing holistic and leasing solutions matching interests of the key stakeholders in various African regions.

We are delighted to have the following speakers in the second webinar:

- **Mr. Bah Saho**, Acting Executive Director of ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE)
- **Mr. Dmitry Kalinin**, Partner, Clean Energy Innovations Partnership
- **Mr. Mahamane Sow**, CEO, EDF, Côte d'Ivoire
- **Dr. Modiba Dicko**, Consultant in the area of solar energy health supply chain management and innovations and former WHO project coordinator
- **Mr. Mohamed Adow**, Director of Power Shift Africa

Moderators: **Dr. Rashid Ali-Abdallah**, Executive Director, African Energy Commission, African Union

Prof. Youba Sokona, Senior Adviser on Climate Change and Sustainable Development, South Centre; Vice-Chair, IPCC

Webinar Host: Clean Energy Innovations Partnership, Switzerland