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1.2 billion people worldwide are without access to electricity, and a billion more have only intermittent access. 2.8 billion people lack access to clean cooking solutions.

In response, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched a new initiative in 2011 by the same name (SE4ALL), calling on governments, businesses, and civil society to make commitments to action to accomplish three objectives by 2030:

- Ensuring universal access to modern energy services.
- Doubling the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency.
- Doubling the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix.

The UN General Assembly Member States have unanimously declared 2014-2024 as the Decade of Sustainable Energy for All.
Energy Access Practitioner Network

- 1900+ members
- >230 million individuals reached
- 170 countries

- Market-based mini- & off-grid solutions
- Catalyze energy service delivery at country level
- Promote adoption of new technologies, innovative financial & business models
- Knowledge platform: best practices, peer-to-peer learning
- A “network of networks”

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The Practitioner Network & Supply Chains

• Supply chains & entrepreneurship identified as one of a number of key issue areas for energy access by Practitioner Network members.

• Examples of last-mile distribution challenges for Network members to address include:

  ➢ Adequate financial services for end users
  ➢ Attracting growth capital for the enterprise
  ➢ Ensuring availability of skilled technicians and employees
  ➢ Wholesale purchasing to bring prices down, and
  ➢ Development of efficient distribution channels for consumer level