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Financing Working Group

A partnership to scale up access to clean, modern energy

Launched in June 2009, the Energy for All Partnership (E4ALL) provides a platform for cooperation, knowledge and technical exchange, innovation and project development, bringing together key stakeholders from business, financial institutions, governments, and non-government organisations.

The Partnership is focused on action, with a goal to provide access to clean and modern energy to 100 million people in the Asia-Pacific region by 2015. E4ALL working groups seek to promote exchange of knowledge, ideas, and information; demonstrate and mainstream appropriate financing mechanisms; replicate and scale up proven approaches; and build partnerships to develop, finance and implement access to energy projects.

The E4ALL Financing Working Group brings mainstream finance opportunities to a wider portion of the population and increases the availability of targeted finance for clean energy activities by:

- **Providing information and business mentoring** to at least 20 clean energy enterprises in the targeted countries of Cambodia, Laos, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines, and Vietnam.
- **Creating specialised funding entities or consortiums** that are focused on rural electrification and access to cleaner energy.

- **Developing operational linkages** between clean energy investors, service providers and micro/end-user finance organisations.
- **Developing and disseminating information materials** for training and capacity building of investment and micro/end user finance organisations to help them access clean energy.

A range of activities are under way, including:

- market opening seminars,
- delivery of enterprise development services;
- co-investment: advocacy and stewardship.

The working group's effectiveness will be monitored and evaluated to calibrate impacts against baseline data and track the social, environmental, and financial impact of investments.

Financing Working Group participation

As a multi-stakeholder initiative, the E4ALL Financing working group relies on the support and participation of a wide range of organisations, including ARC Finance from the USA; Energy Sector Assistance Programme (ESAP) from Nepal; E8 from Canada; HSBC office in the Philippines; PlaNet Finance in the Philippines; Portelet Asia in Singapore; Re Ex from Singapore and SME Cambodia. Potential additional partners include: ACLEDA Bank (Cambodia), Bamboo Finance (Switzerland), Bank of Ayudha (Thailand), Clean Energy Bank (Nepal), Lotus Energy (Nepal), and Shell Foundation (England). Banks, microfinance institutions, cooperatives and similar local financing entities have a strong role to play and are invited to become involved.

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