



THE DEVASTATING CIRCLE OF ENERGY POVERTY

More than a billion people – nearly one fifth of the world’s population – live without access to electricity. 2.8 billion people are still relying on kerosene, wood, crop waste, dung, and other biomass to cook and heat their homes. Without electric power modern medical services cannot operate, schools cannot be heated, jobs are not created.

Energy poverty disproportionately impacts women and children. Cooking without access to clean energy inflicts severe respiratory illnesses on hundreds of millions of women and children in the developing world and, according to the World Health Organization, cause 4.3 million deaths annually. In energy-poor communities, no light means children find it hard to study or read after dark and no ability to charge a cell-phone, and the connection to services and the world. Without refrigeration, vaccines cannot be stored. Without clean, affordable, reliable power small business cannot succeed: jobs are not created.

A lack of access to modern energy is trapping over a billion people in poverty.

WE SHOULD LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

Last year, the world’s leaders agreed to a bold agenda: the Sustainable Development Goals with goal number 7 on sustainable energy and an ambitious deal to tackle climate change. UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has called sustainable energy the “golden thread that connects economic growth, social equity, and environmental sustainability”.

Together, the goal on sustainable energy and the ambition of the Paris Agreement on climate change mean nothing short of a transformation of the energy system to one that meets everyone’s needs – and those of our planet – cleanly and affordably.

We need a global energy transition that prevents the worst impacts of climate change and leaves no one behind.

The good news is that advances in technology – and the plummeting prices of renewables – means that it is possible to see how we can accomplish both of these goals. Those that have been considered at the “last mile” – the vulnerable, the isolated and the poorest – can be “first” with new business models, new financing and new technology.

EVERYONE CAN GIVE 1%

1 for All is an independent, global campaign that seeks to mobilize new forms of capital and new investors to the achievable goal of ending energy poverty before 2030. Those that join this campaign are committing to invest 1% of their assets – as a blend of grants and investments – to massively scale up funding for energy access.

1 for All will dramatically diversify and increase funding for energy access – and bring clean affordable energy to remote rural places, for cooking, lighting, clinics, and schools and businesses. We will support communities to build local capacities. We will direct and scale investments to solve a global problem at the local level.

We will focus on four main strategies:

- **Build community.** This initiative will link those that join the campaign to solutions that need support and scale, linking to existing efforts and bringing new and representative voices to the table.
- **Advocate for distributed clean energy solutions that respect human rights and the environment.** We will advance new advocacy efforts to better educate decision makers and investors about the opportunity for distributed solutions and to remove policy barriers.
- **Unlock financing.** We will help identify and present an array of investment vehicles that connect communities and entrepreneurs to investors existing and new.
- **Build human capacity.** We will support communities to build local capacities and seed productive enterprises, while making community leadership a hallmark of energy access efforts.

HOW TO BECOME 1

We are building an ambitious collaboration of the global development, faith, health, and philanthropy sectors that will offer diverse geographic and demographic perspectives.

We will work closely with Sustainable Energy for All to align priorities, provide research and financial analysis, and coordinate activities to achieve the greatest positive impact for energy access.

The initial steering committee developing the initiative and providing seed capital for **1 for All** includes the Wallace Global Fund, Sustainable Energy for All, the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, the Hanley Foundation, the Ashden Trust, GreenFaith, and Arabella Advisors.

1 for All will launch in November, 2016 during COP22, the United Nations climate change conference in Marrakesh. We will then drive a communications strategy that gives voice to those with no energy access, attracts new partners and continually delivers the message that 1% of investments can deliver a better life for more than a billion people. Take the pledge to end energy poverty and commit to scale resources to achieve safe, clean and affordable energy for all by 2030.

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