



Call for Expression of Interest

ECREEE Webinar Series: Innovation in Renewable Energy - Blockchain-powered Digital Electricity

Date: 01 October 2021

Organised in partnership with OneWattSolar

Background

The ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE), as part of its mandate to promote a sustainable energy market in the ECOWAS region, is committed to the promotion of innovative solutions that will steer the region towards increasing the share of renewables in the energy mix, while also increasing energy access through affordable, clean energy technology.

The clean energy field presents opportunities for local West African companies and entrepreneurs to innovate, create jobs and be an active participant in the region energy transition. Through this webinar series, ECREEE wants to highlight some of the most innovative clean energy solutions produced in the region.

Introduction

Partner institution profile

OneWattSolar (OWATTS) is a Technology Company that serves as a clean-tech aggregator of decentralized off-grid energy as a service projects, and as a digital payment and data fin-tech company. OWATTS provides blockchain-enabled software that decentralizes the grid while delivering Energy-As-A-Service (EAAS) and lease-to-own service to millions of people that are currently unserved or underserved by traditional electricity models in Africa. OWATTS target is to deliver up to 14 gigawatts (GW) of sustainable energy to West Africa by 2030. OWATTS D-5 missions is to democratize, decarbonize, decentralize, digitize and domesticate all their products in any sector where they serve their customers across Africa.

OneWattSolar successfully closed its issuance of \$25million Green Bond & Sukuk Programme recently. The programme will enable OWATTS to deliver over 25MW of Commercial & Industrial (C & I) power as a service projects across Nigeria and the rest of the West Africa region. On the verge of concluding the installation of the first tranche of 5MW C & I projects in Nigeria in October. The next project tranche is targeting over 20MW C & I and Solar Home System projects pipeline to be implemented in December 2021, and targeting 15MW in Nigeria and up to 5MW originating from other West Africa countries.

Webinar Objectives

This ECREEE - OneWattSolar webinar aims to showcase OWATTS activities in West Africa to the wider ECREEE network of practitioners, developers and promoters, notably from the private sector, as well as policy makers and financing institutions.

The following are the specific objectives of the webinar:

- To enlighten the ECREEE's wider network of solar companies and other stakeholders operating across the West Africa region about OneWattSolar's business model and the partnership opportunities
- To explain the sign-up and operational modalities of OneWattSolar to ECREEE's network of solar companies and installers
- To run a short live demonstration on the OneWattSolar website/platform on how solar companies can sign up as a franchisee and as solar installers
- To explain the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders and actors within the ecosystem of OneWattSolar
- To expatiate the funding model of the OneWattSolar
- To highlight the target C & I and Solar Home System clients eligible under the OneWattSolar funding model

Target audience / participants for the webinar

A maximum of 200 participants will be able to attend the webinar, upon previous registration. Geographical distribution of participants, as well as a minimum participation target of 30% for women are envisaged goals. Private sector applicants are also especially encouraged to apply.

Participants from all stakeholders involved in the clean energy sector should apply, particularly those in the following fields:

- Solar PV companies
- RE Installers
- RE Equipment Manufacturers
- Development partners
- Financing institutions
- Renewable Energy Training Academies/Institutes
- Vocational schools

Date and time of the webinar

The webinar will take place on Friday, 01 October 2021.

Time: 09:00 UTC

Duration: 3 hours

Registration

Online registration for the webinar will be available until 29 September 2021.. The webinar will be hosted on the Zoom platform.

Registration is available here:

https://ecreee-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Y4cpiEGNTm2sc59R2wLLpw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Languages

The webinar will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation to French and Portuguese.

Agenda of the webinar

09h00 – 09h05: Information notes

09h05 – 09h15: Opening remarks – Mr. Bah F. M. Saho, Ag. Executive Director – ECREEE

09h15 – 09h35: Presentation on ECREEE Training and Certification programme – Mr. Julien Bulgo, ECREEE

09h35 – 09h45: Q & A

09h45 – 11h15: OneWattSolar presentation – Business Model, Blockchain technology, opportunities, and partnerships - Jubril Adejo, COO & Co-founder, OneWattSolar

11h15 – 11h50: Discussion

11h50 – 12h00: Closing remarks – ECREEE

Contact information

Any requests for further information regarding the webinar should be sent to esem-edo@ecreee.org and jbulgo@ecreee.org.

Additional resources

OneWattSolar website: <https://onewattsolar.com/>