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Dear Practitioner Network members,

We would like to announce the **opening of our annual UN Foundation [Energy Access Practitioner Network survey](#)**.

This is the **fifth consecutive year** that the Practitioner Network has surveyed practitioners to collect real-time impact and barrier data pertinent to the energy access sector. Being the largest membership-based network focusing on decentralized energy solutions, with a broad-based membership spanning 170 countries, the results of Practitioner Network surveys have a significant role in identifying remaining challenges in the sector, as well as making the case for your collective success and scale – for example, [the 2015 survey demonstrated](#) a more than \$1 billion investment opportunity towards universal access to modern energy services by 2030.

In order to gain a granular insight into the markets in which our members operate, and in an effort to leverage our diverse membership and minimize the time commitment on your part, we have designed a **branched survey** that will take each member through questions that are only pertinent to your areas of expertise. This year's survey will be both regionally and technologically specific, with **specific sections for solar PV, non-solar technologies, and mini-/micro-grids**. In addition, we are soliciting responses for questions **specifically designed for investors/donors active in the energy access space, government agencies, and research institutions/academia**.

The portion of the survey spanning finance and investment has been jointly prepared with [Sustainable Energy for All \(SEforALL\)](#). SEforALL will use responses to the survey to inform their support to leaders so they can drive forward innovations that unlock the right types of capital at the right time for centralized and decentralized approaches to energy access. This includes support to deliver financing approaches that support access for the poorest and most marginalized people.

*Please access the survey via <http://svy.mk/29754hf> and take a moment to respond. You will be able to access the survey **until August 18th**. This year's survey will take approximately 10–15 minutes to complete and will have specific questions for practitioners working across the energy access spectrum. As always, the responses will be anonymous and used only for aggregated data points.*

Last year, we achieved close to 20% response rate, and we are counting on our members for an even representation this year. Results of the survey will be made available to the public on our website, www.energyaccess.org, later in the year. We appreciate you taking the time to fill out the survey and hope that the results will be of use to you as well as the energy access sector as a whole.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us via info@energyaccess.org.

Sincerely,

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