



Renewables Forum

Sharing practical experiences of deploying Renewable Energy in Malawi

Thursday, 31 August 11:00 (UK time) 12:00 (Malawi time)

Location: Zoom

Duration: 90 minutes

Agenda

| Time* UK / MW | Item | Speaker/s |
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| 11:00 UK / 12:00 MW | Welcome Meeting overview | Stuart Brown, Interim CEO, SMP |
| 11:05 UK / 12:05 MW | Chair's opening comments 'Renewable Energy Knowledge Exchange - the Scottish Global Renewables Centre | Prof. Stuart Galloway, Professor of Compact Power Systems and Vice Dean: Knowledge Exchange, Faculty of Engineering, The University of Strathclyde |
| 11:15 UK / 12:15 MW | REIAMA - Gateway to Malawi Renewables | Mr. Soustain Chigalu, REIAMA President |
| 11:25 UK / 12:25 | Blantyre - Blantyre Research Facility | Leticia Siyaya, Nomsa Pusoetsile, Robert Hanna - African Sun Energy |
| 11:35 UK / 12:35 MW | The Bhubesi Pride Foundation | Richard Bennet – CEO |
| 11:45 UK / 12:45 | The Test and Training Centre for Renewable Energy Technologies (TCRET) Mzuzu University | Dr Chrispin Gogoda – TCRET Coordinator and Lecturer in Renewable Energy |
| 11:55 UK / 12:55 MW | Members' comments, questions and contributions | All attendees |
| 12:25 UK / 13:25 MW | Closing remarks | Stuart Brown, Interim CEO, SMP |
| 12:30 UK / 13:30 MW | Meeting closes | |

*all times are approximate

See bios of organisations presenting on page 2.

- **The Global Renewables Centre (GRC)** provides a hub for facilitating knowledge exchange between stakeholders in international development partner countries and the Scottish Renewables Sector, offering networking, shared learning, and resources that enhance global citizenship and enables increased deployment of sustainable energy. The GRC is hosted online by Strathclyde University and funded by the Scottish Government.
 - [Global Renewables Centre \(GRC\)](#)

- **The Renewable Energy Industries Association of Malawi (REIAMA)** was established in 1999 with the explicit aim of promoting renewable energy technologies (RETs) in a sustainable manner to the satisfaction of consumers in Malawi.
 - [Renewable Energy Industries Association of Malawi \(REIAMA\)](#).

- **African Sun Energy** is a clean energy company located in Botswana and specializes in the provision of off-grid/grid-tied solar photo-voltaic systems and solar PV pumping systems. Africa sun recently were awarded the contract to install a groundbreaking solar energy system to the Blantyre Blantyre Research facility, which is housed within the [College of Medicine \(COM\) University of Malawi](#). And funded by the Global Challenges Research Fund, and implemented by the Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology at the University of Glasgow. [University of Glasgow - Research - Research units A-Z - Wellcome Centre for Integrative Parasitology - Partnerships with Africa - Blantyre Blantyre Research Facility](#)
 - [African Sun Energy](#)

- **The Test and Training Centre for Renewable Energy Technologies (TCRET)** is a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in the Faculty of Science Technology and Innovation at Mzuzu University (MZUNI) in Malawi focussing on hands on capacity building, research and consultancy in renewable and sustainable energy technologies.
 - [TCRET – MZUZU UNIVERSITY \(mzuni.ac.mw\)](#)

- **The Bhubesi Pride Foundation**'s Impact goal is to equip young people with skills, knowledge and experience to rise above social, economic and health challenges, to fulfil their life potential and uplift themselves and their communities.
 - [BPF Malawi implements game-changing solar & irrigation projects - Bhubesi Pride Foundation \(bpfafrica.org\)](#)