



ENHANCING GOVERNANCE IN AFRICA'S RENEWABLE ENERGY SECTOR

**Navigating Policies, Regulatory Compliance and
Stakeholders for a Sustainable Energy Transition**

**24–26. October 2023
KENYA**

Application deadline; 17. September 2023

Course fee – €EUROS 750,-

ICH Members' Course Fee: – €EUROS 675,-

*Fee includes course materials, *meals, and accommodation



As the renewable energy sector takes the lead in Africa's energy transformation, the importance of effective governance cannot be overstated. Across this vast continent, nations are grappling with the dual challenges of energy security and environmental sustainability. The pursuit of a greener, more equitable energy future necessitates robust governance frameworks that balance innovation, policy alignment, stakeholder engagement, and ethical considerations.

The need for effective governance is paramount. As the region strives to meet its energy needs and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, policies, regulations, and access to finance must be underpinned by transparent and principled governance. The integration of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) criteria, rooted in internationally accepted policies and standards, holds the key to unleashing the true potential of renewable energy initiatives.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In this dynamic era of sustainable development, the renewable energy sector stands at the forefront of Africa's transformative journey. This program is designed to equip high-level professionals with the knowledge and strategies needed to navigate the intricate landscape of renewable energy governance in Africa.

The sessions will delve into policy interpretation, regulatory mechanisms, stakeholder engagement, reporting compliance and significant considerations that underpin successful renewable energy projects. Through interactive discussions, case studies, and practical exercises, participants will be better equipped to drive sustainable and impactful energy projects.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Equip participants with a comprehensive understanding of governance's pivotal role in Africa's renewable energy sector
2. Enhance participants' capacity to formulate and implement effective company policies, engaging a diverse range of stakeholders ethically in accordance with human rights principles and international best practice.
3. Empowers participants to effectively apply ESG criteria, minimize project risks, promote gender mainstreaming, ensure labour equity, and make informed decisions driven by real-world insights.

4. By cultivating leadership skills and fostering a deep understanding of governance, participants will be poised to navigate the sector's challenges and lead impactful change for a sustainable future.
5. Provide insights into the integration of renewable energy sources and sustainable practices.

TARGET GROUP

This program is tailored for high-level professionals in the RE sector:

- Executives, managers and decision-makers from renewable energy companies, utilities, and energy-related organizations
- Senior government officials and policymakers
- Financial and Investment Leaders
- Environmental and social impact leaders
- NGO, civil society representatives and advocates for RE
- Academics, researchers and educators specializing in energy, sustainability, and governance
- Consultants and advisors with RE experience

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

- Understanding Governance in Renewable Energy
- Policy Formulation and Regulation
- Developing Effective Governance Frameworks
- Stakeholder Engagement, Social-Environmental Impact and Benefit Sharing
- Leading Change and Future Perspective
- Governance in Practice: Case Studies and Best Practices

PROGRAM DELIVERY

The program will utilize a combination of interactive lectures, case studies, group discussions, panel sessions, and practical exercises to facilitate active learning and engagement.

- Expert-led presentations and discussions.
- Case studies showcasing real-world applications.
- Interactive workshops, group exercises, and simulations.
- Panel discussions featuring industry leaders.
- Networking opportunities for knowledge exchange.

GENERAL

All lecturers and resource persons are well-known specialists within their field, and they have extensive international and regional experience.

Attending the courses is an opportunity to discuss and learn about current issues related to hydropower and other renewables together with professionals from the continent and abroad.

Participants are encouraged to bring along information that can be shared about pending energy issues of your interest.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A minimum of about 5 years of relevant professional experience in renewable energy
- Basic understanding of energy concepts, renewable energy technologies, and their role in sustainable development
- Applicants should hold an applicable degree or possess relevant background knowledge.
- Proficiency in English is compulsory for this course
- Participants should demonstrate a genuine interest in renewable energy governance and a commitment to enhancing their knowledge and skills in this area



- Applicants **MUST** diligently complete the application form before submission
- The application form can be accessed at the ICH website – www.ich.no
- Please ensure your completed application is received no later than the given deadline
- Notice of admission will be given shortly after the application closing date

ICH reserves the right to accept or reject any applicant based on their qualifications and experience.

SPECIFICS FOR THE COURSE

Information on travel, a detailed course program and other relevant information will be sent to all participants in due course.

Participants are expected to arrive at the venue of the course the day prior to the course start and leave no earlier than the day after the end of the course.



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COURSE FEE

The course fee includes lectures, materials, accommodation, meals*, and a social program if applicable.

International travel expenses are not included.

There is a reduced fee for ICH members. A limited number of sponsored seats are available for participants from countries prioritized by NORAD (Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation).

Those who would like a guaranteed seat on the course should secure their own funding.

MORE INFORMATION

Information on other courses can also be found on our website;

www.ich.no or by contacting carole@ich.no

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