

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

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1.299

Beneficiaries



12

Training Events
in 2022

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) – a specialized training agency of the United Nations – supports the (re-)establishment of peaceful, just and inclusive societies (SDG 16) by enabling individuals and organizations to contribute meaningfully to sustainable peace. UNITAR promotes the global commitment of ‘leave no one behind’ by facilitating the achievement of SDG7 for displaced people around the world.

With almost 60 years of experience in capacity building, we provide customized, creative and results-based learning solutions, carefully crafted for countries and communities emerging from conflict and facing specific development needs. At the core of our success is our specific methodology that allows for the creation of powerful and inspiring spaces, products and services (online and face-to-face) for high-quality learning and collaboration.

Our training programmes have mentoring and coaching as their key ingredients and promote participation, dialogue, local ownership and multiplication of knowledge for sustainable impact and behavioural change.



30%

Beneficiaries
are women

45%

Men

25%

Other

Thematic Areas:

- Planning and coordination.
- Policy, advocacy and host community resilience.
- Innovative finance and funding.
- Technical expertise and capacity building.
- Data, Research and Evidence.

Our Services:

- Coordination of priority activities in the GPA Workplan.
- Coordination of [UNHCRs Clean Energy Challenge](#).
- Knowledge exchange webinars.
- Solution-oriented workshops.
- Capacity building.
- Data harmonisation.
- Decarbonisation of humanitarian operations.
- Evidence based research.

Flagship projects:

Clean Energy Challenge

The Clean Energy Challenge (CEC) is an effort by individuals, businesses and organisations from all over the world to replace fossil fuels and firewood in refugee settings with clean energy sources in four key areas: meeting energy needs in emergencies; energy for cleaner cooking; electricity access to households; energy for community facilities (water, education, and health). The signatories to the CEC are committed to achieving the ambitious goal of all settlements of forcibly displaced and nearby host communities having access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy by 2030. The secretariat to the CEC is led by UNHCR and the GPA Coordination Unit, UNITAR.

Roadmaps for Energy Access in Displacement Settings (READS)

The Roadmaps for Energy Access in Displacement Settings (READS) Programme, implemented by the GPA Coordination Unit at UNITAR and funded by the IKEA Foundation, aims to identify viable implementation opportunities to increase sustainable energy in displacement settings. Spanning ten countries, the programme will develop a "roadmap report" for each nation. This report will (a) concisely summarise the energy and displacement situation in each country, (b) identify gaps not currently met by the status quo and (c) put forward viable project opportunities to increase sustainable energy access in displacement settings. The reports will be informed by workshops with in-country stakeholders to develop and refine the research. The Programme will engage a variety of actors working in both the private and public sector to benefit from their expertise including representatives of communities which have been affected by displacement, local energy companies, humanitarian organisations, and governmental authorities, among others.

Decarbonising Humanitarian Energy (DHE)

The new Decarbonising Humanitarian Energy (DHE) Programme will reduce the costs and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with delivering critical humanitarian assistance in five countries in the Sahel Region. The German Federal Foreign Office formally committed 21 million EUR to support the sustainable energy transition in displacement settings. This funding forms the initial investment in the Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) and provides multi-year support for scaling up sustainable energy solutions for organisations serving displaced people and host communities. Under the DHE MPTF the consortium will deploy energy experts to provide technical assistance, develop business cases for project sites and organisations, and finance the implementation of sustainable energy solutions. The DHE MPTF is implemented by the GPA Coordination Unit at UNITAR, NORCAP, and UNDP.

Global Platform for Action on Sustainable Energy in Displacement Settings (GPA)

The Global Platform for Action on Sustainable Energy in Displacement Settings (GPA) is the global initiative to promote actions that enable sustainable energy access in displacement settings, as laid out in the Global Plan of Action Framework. It envisions that displaced persons, host communities, and associated humanitarian response mechanisms have access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy services by 2030. The GPA strives to remove barriers to energy access in humanitarian settings. It also promotes the humanitarian sector's transition from diesel powered infrastructure to more renewable sources of energy. Hosted by the [United Nations Institute for Training and Research \(UNITAR\)](#), the [GPA Coordination Unit](#) galvanises collective action towards meeting the goals of the GPA Framework.



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