Women Entrepreneurship in Clean Energy
8 June (Friday), 09:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Background**
During ACEF 2017, PFAN together with ADB and ENERGIA had organized a session called “Voices from Grassroots”, where clean energy women entrepreneurs had presented their businesses. This was well received by the audience and ADB intends to conduct a deep dive workshop, dedicated to fostering support for women entrepreneurs in the clean energy business.

**Objective of the Workshop**
To exhibit the path to entrepreneurship for aspiring clean energy women entrepreneurs in Asia by examining current cases, the macro-environment and gender-lens investment climate.

**Agenda**

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<td>Session 1 Project</td>
<td>Selected Women Entrepreneurs shall present their story of entrepreneurship, enumerating their path to success including the challenges they have faced. The projects shall represent a wide cross-section across Asia and across different types of businesses. The presentations shall be followed by a panel discussion and questions and answers from the audience.</td>
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<td>Session 2 Examining</td>
<td>There will be presentations from representatives of organizations such as Energia, ARE and others actively working in this space, shall be presenting on the macro-environment, examining both the enabling factors and challenges. The presentations shall be followed by a panel discussion and questions and answers from the audience.</td>
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<td>Session 3 Gender</td>
<td>There will be presentations from representative of organizations such as Kopernik, SEAF Women’s Opportunity Fund and other such investors, who shall be presenting their work in gender-lens investment and facilitation. The presentations shall be followed by a panel discussion and questions and answers from the audience.</td>
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About the Organizers

The Private Financing Advisory Network (PFAN) identifies promising clean energy projects at an early stage and provides mentoring for development of a business plan, investment pitch, and growth strategy, significantly enhancing the prospect of financial closure.

Energia, founded in 1996 has been working on several projects, some of them being Women’s Economic Empowerment, Gender and Energy Advocacy, Gender and Energy Research and Gender Mainstreaming.

The Association for Rural Electrification (ARE) global industry association that supports all businesses along the whole value-chain of renewable solutions for rural electrification in developing and emerging countries.

ADB’s Energy for All (E4ALL) Initiative was established in 2008 to empower the region’s poor through greater access to energy. E4ALL supports ADB’s own operations and collaborates with external partners to increase ADB’s investments in access to energy projects and companies.

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