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Spotlight Session
Women Bridging the Clean Energy Financing Gap

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4.00 PM- 5.30 PM, Multi-function Hall 3

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The South Asia Regional Energy Partnership (SAREP) is the flagship regional energy program of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) India. This five-year initiative (2021-2026) improves access to affordable, secure, reliable, and sustainable energy across six South Asian countries—Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, and Sri Lanka—in line with these countries’ climate and clean energy priorities.

This program furthers the U.S. Government’s Indo-Pacific Vision of facilitating collaboration among the six countries, to operate and accelerate the transition to clean energy, mitigate climate change, and promote energy security, economic development, self-reliance, livelihood, health, and productivity.

SAWIE, a joint initiative of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the U.S. India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF), aims to increase the representation of women at the leadership levels in the energy, industrial, and manufacturing sectors thereby enabling diversity in decision-making. As the name suggests SAWIE is focused on the South Asia region, with India at its fulcrum.

SAWIE provides a platform for women to form a collaborative and strategic approach towards reaching gender equality goals and building strong pillars across the sectors. The platform brings together women leaders across sectors and follows a working-group-based model to realize its objectives.