The workshops are designed specifically for Policy Makers as well as Community Leaders. Content focuses on the benefits and challenges associated with the implementation of decentralized renewable energy systems from economic, environmental, regulatory, social and political perspectives.

These 1-2 day workshops utilize an interactive format to review key factors influencing successful deployment of renewable energy systems, including: budgetary and financial implications; technical and natural resource requirements; environmental impacts; human and institutional capacity; and best practices for design, implementation and operations of clean energy systems. All workshops are customized and incorporate international case studies and lessons learned from around the world.

Who Should Attend:
Government Officials and Executives from National Energy and Regulatory Agencies; Ministries of Energy, Health, Education and others; Economic Development organizations; Utilities; Universities and other educational Institutions

The Workshop addresses the following important issues and questions:

- Barriers and challenges for long-term sustainable renewable energy systems
- Planning, implementation and operations of renewable energy systems
- Load management, energy conservation and systems monitoring
- Sustainable funding and financing for clean energy projects
- Supporting institutional framework and policy environment
- Building critical capacity for sustainability
- Socio-economic challenges and opportunities
- Importance of community involvement and gender inclusion
- Best practices and lessons learned from around the world

What is VOCTEC?
A multi-tier vocational training and educational program for clean energy (VOCTEC) under the leadership of Arizona State University (ASU) to improve the sustainability of renewable energy investments in developing countries by increasing awareness, knowledge and capacity of local stakeholders. The technological focus is on the design, installation, operation and maintenance of distributed energy systems, specifically on solar PV, micro-hydro, wind, and hybrid systems, utilizing one or more of these three technologies along with fossil-fuel generators.

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