IEEE Smart Village and United Nations Interactive Workshop

Forum for Empowering Off-Grid Communities through the 17 SDGs

Thursday, October 19, 2017 IEEE GHTC Conference, San Jose, CA

8:30 am to 4:30 pm Bayshore Ballroom, DoubleTree by Hilton

- Explore the path to advancing the 17 Sustainable Development Goals with UN SDG champions
- Engage with thought leaders and experts from organizations across the globe.
- Learn how you can join in implementing the SDGs with real projects and iniatitives from IEEE Smart Village across Africa, India, and Asia
- Participate in a strategic planning forum for creating a roadmap of SDG implementation with the Initstitute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers – the world's largest technical organization with over 440,000 members and volunteers

IEEE Smart Village and the United Nations are co-hosting a joint call to action supporting the Sustainable Development Goals. The event is an interactive workshop and strategic forum geared to motivate participants to become engaged in sustainable development, as well as identify and address the critical path issues towards field implementation of the SDGs.

About IEEE Smart Village

IEEE Smart Village (ISV) is the member-led, not-for-profit, humanitarian outreach program of IEEE and one of the four priority initiatives of the IEEE Foundation. ISV empowers off-grid communities with a family income of less than $2 USD per day. Using the three pillars of Energy, Education, and Enterprise, ISV applies a system-of-systems approach to build smart, sustainable communities. With a focus on field implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, ISV has created a network of experienced partners and village leaders engaged in community micro-utility infrastructure projects, humanitarian technology transfer, community-based education, and holistically sustainable enterprise. ISV aims to empower 50 million people by 2025 with plans for expansion in Africa, India, South America, and Asia.

About the Sustainable Development Goals

The Sustainable Development Goals, adopted in September 2015 by 193 countries, give a 15 year path forward to create actions and collaborations to preserve our planet, design social programs to increase equity, food for all, build safe and healthy communities, and reduce the effects of climate change. To accomplish the Sustainable Development Goals, communities and volunteers must first learn what the goals are and the then work collectively to achieve them.

"With the 17 goals, everybody on this planet can help do something. You no longer have a reason not to do something. You are in the driver's seat, and if you cannot start a project yourself, find someone who already has a project and help them. For every SDG, there is some small action that you can take every day and have a positive global impact."

– Joan Kerr, Founder, Foundation for Building Sustainable Communities IEEE Smart Village – United Nations

Joint Call to Action & SDG Training
Schedule

8:30 am: Coffee social & icebreaking

9:00 am: Introduction and background by IEEE Smart Village & UN

9:30 am: UN perspective and history of the SDGs

11:00 am: Coffee break

11:15 am: Training tracks with Q&A and dynamic learning activities

12:30 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm: Implementing SDGs in the field: Forum for strategic cooperation

3:00 pm: Coffee break

3:15 pm: Announcement of next seven ISV projects, grants awards ceremony

3:30 pm: UN awards & funding opportunities from UN foundation and World Bank

4:00 pm: Call to Action

Registration Fees

Fee	Deadlines
$150.00 USD	Through September 19, 2017
$200.00	After September 19, 2017