

## Financing Affordable and Clean Energy to achieve SDG7

An informal breakfast discussion at the Margins of the Inaugural ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development. Co-hosted by the Permanent Missions of Sweden and Zambia to the UN and Sustainable Energy for All

**When:**

Tuesday the 19th of April 2016 at 8.30am – 9.45am.  
*Breakfast will be served from 8.00am.*

**Where:**

UNHQ Conference Room 8

**Speakers:**

**H.E. Isabella Lövin**, Minister for International Development Cooperation, Sweden  
**H.E. Dr. Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota**, Permanent Representative of Zambia to the UN  
**Ms. Rachel Kyte**, CEO of SE4All and Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All

The access to affordable and renewable energy is critical to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda. The achievement of SDG7 is also closely linked to many of the other targets of the 2030 Agenda and to the realization of the Paris Agreement on climate change. In order to achieve the goals of SDG7, a substantial scaling up of investment in sustainable energy is necessary. Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All) has estimated that annual investments would have to triple and reach one trillion USD. This represents significant business opportunities in the future, but also means overcoming a range of challenges. This informal breakfast discussion will focus on what needs to be done in terms of financing to achieve SDG7. It will also showcase innovative ways to finance clean energy, such as the “Beyond the Grid Fund” that has recently been launched in Zambia in cooperation with Sweden.

Seating is limited.

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