

Side Event Concept Note

Title: Energy Access in Latin America: Scaling Inclusive and Just Solutions

Date: 14 November 2025

Time: 9 am

Location: SDG Pavilion

Organizers: Red de Jóvenes por la Transición Energética (Peru), Habitat Resiliente (Peru)

Context:

While Latin America has made significant progress in expanding electricity coverage, over 17 million people in the region still lack reliable access. Many of them live in rural and remote areas where centralized grid extension is not economically viable. At the same time, decentralized renewable solutions, energy communities, and innovative financing mechanisms are transforming the energy access landscape. This panel will explore how Latin America can accelerate universal access to sustainable, affordable, and modern energy (SDG 7) while ensuring equity, climate resilience, and community participation.

Objectives of the Session:

- Highlight innovative business models and policies for achieving last-mile energy access in Latin America.
- Showcase community-led initiatives and their role in just energy transitions.
- Discuss financing approaches and partnerships to scale renewable-based access.
- Elevate youth perspectives in shaping inclusive energy futures and youth-led projects.

Agenda:

9:00–9:10 | Opening Remarks

- Olga Alvarenga, Directora de Integración, Acceso y Seguridad Energética, Organización Latinoamericana de Energía (OLADE)

9:10–9:50 | Panel Discussion

Moderator: Representative of the Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet (GEAPP), Latin America & Caribbean

- Graziella Albuquerque, Director of Institutional and Government Relations, Revolusolar
- Kelly Guevara, Children and Youth Engagement in Climate Action Officer, UNICEF
- Azul Mariana Tarifa, Director of Environment Department, Graha – Red de Organizaciones Líderes por el Clima (ROC)

9:50–10:00 | Final Remarks

- Reflections from a high-level speaker highlighting key takeaways and final remarks of the session.

Organizers:



Partner Organizations:

