

ENERGY COMPACTS PROGRESS SURVEY 2025 – FAQ

GENERAL

1. Who needs to complete this survey?

All registered Energy Compact proponents, including governments, private sector entities, NGOs, and multi-stakeholder groups.

2. What reporting period should we use? Should we include data we've already reported last year?

Report on cumulative progress from the **start date of your Energy Compact (e.g., 2021, 2022, 2023, or 2024) until the latest available data** at the time of reporting.

The survey asks for aggregate reporting. For example, if your 2024 submission included the number of people provided with electricity from the moment you submitted your Compact through December 2023, your 2025 response should include that same data **plus** any new progress made in 2024. Always build on previous submissions.

3. Can I update or revise my Energy Compact?

Yes. Indicate your intention in the relevant section or directly contact us at energycompact@seforall.org.

4. What's new or different in the 2025 survey template?

The 2025 template is more streamlined for easier use, includes clear cumulative reporting, enhanced indicators for gender and youth engagement, and provides a specific section for equity considerations.

DATA ENTRY

5. What if I don't have data for a specific indicator?

Simply leave the field blank or mark "N/A" if the indicator doesn't apply to your Compact.

6. Should we report actual achievements or planned values?

Only report actual achievements. Do not include future targets unless explicitly requested (e.g., revised commitments).

7. Which units should we use for reporting energy access or finance?

Please adhere to the units provided in the template (e.g., people, USD, GW, TWh). If necessary, convert your internal units (e.g., households) accordingly, using an average household size relevant to your location or context.

8. What's the difference between direct and leveraged outcomes?

- **Direct outcomes** are results achieved directly by your activities.
- **Leveraged outcomes** include results enabled through your influence, partnerships, or indirect support.

GENDER, YOUTH, AND SDG LINKAGES

9. How do we evaluate gender responsiveness?

Refer to the four-level assessment in the "Gender & Energy" section: Gender Neutral, Aware, Responsive, or Transformative. Choose the level that best fits your Compact's actions. For detailed explanations of these levels, hover your mouse cursor over the instruction field in the template. Here's a quick summary:

- **Gender Neutral:** No explicit or intentional mention of gender or women in the Energy Compact.
- **Gender Aware:** Explicitly/intentionally address a gender issue(s), & mentions differentiated energy needs of women and men in both the context for the ambition(s) and the guiding principles.
- **Gender Responsive:** Explicitly/intentionally describes gender actions to address the gender issues & needs identified in the context and specifies related gender targets in the ambition with a related timeframe.
- **Gender Transformative:** Explicitly/intentionally describes a time-based and measurable gender outcome(s) related to the gender action that contributes to women's strategic interests; allocates required finance and investments for implementation; and includes gender as an accountability variable to monitor and report progress on gender outcomes.

10. How should we assess our youth engagement?

Use the four-level assessment provided (Neutral, Aware, Responsive, Transformative) to

identify how your Compact includes, supports, or empowers young people. For detailed explanations of these levels, hover your mouse cursor over the instruction field in the template. Here's a quick summary:

- **Youth Neutral:** No explicit or intentional mention of youth or young people in the Energy Compact.
- **Youth Aware:** Directly address issues faced by youth, highlighting varied youth needs within ambitions and guiding principles.
- **Youth Responsive:** Directly outlines actions to resolve identified youth issues and needs, detailing specific youth-oriented objectives within ambitions and associated timelines.
- **Youth Transformative:** Defines a measurable, time-bound goal for youth supporting their strategic interests. Commits necessary funding/resources and includes youth accountability to track/report progress, incorporating qualitative metrics such as empowerment, awareness, skill development, mentorship connections, and civic engagement.

11. Are we required to demonstrate SDG linkages beyond SDG7?

Yes. If your actions support or impact other SDGs (e.g., SDG 3 - health, SDG 8 - jobs, SDG 11 - cities), indicate this in the relevant sections.

24/7 CFE PROGRESS

12. As a 24/7 Carbon-Free Energy signatory, do I have additional reporting requirements?

Yes. Please complete the separate 24/7 CFE survey file you have received from our team.

13. What if we recently joined the initiative and have limited data?

Report all available data. It's acceptable to provide partial or preliminary information if your engagement has been recent.

TECHNICAL & SUPPORT

14. Who can we contact for additional help?

Reach out via email:

✉ energycompact@seforall.org

15. Is there guidance on filling out the survey template?

Yes. A detailed guidance video is available here: <https://youtu.be/luoSN8ryMvQ>.

16. Can multiple team members collaborate on the survey?

Yes. Coordinate internally but submit only one finalized version of the completed survey to avoid confusion.

Thank you for your valuable contributions to advancing global sustainable energy efforts!