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The East African Centre of Excellence for Renewable Energy and Efficiency (EACREE) in collaboration with Renewable Energy Solution for Africa (RES4AFRICA), AVSI Foundation, Kenya Power and Lighting Company (KPLC), Strathmore University, St. Kizito Vocational Training Institute and supported by Enel Foundation is organizing East African Regional Training Course on Mini-Grids: From Design to Integration of Productive Uses through the Water-Energy-Food Nexus scheduled to take place in Nairobi, Kenya 6 - 11 May 2019.

The Micro-Grid Academy (MGA) was launched in January 2018 and reached, in its pilot year of training activities, more than 200 people coming from all the East-African countries and beyond.

The specific objective of the MGA is to conduct capacity building activities upon energy access and decentralized renewable energy solutions directed towards East-African young technicians, managers and engineers, supported by a real 20-40 kW mini-grid system installed on-site. This will contribute to enhancement of access to energy in rural communities and foster local enterprise and job creation.

The training will be focus on Mini-grids: from design to integration of productive uses through the Water-Energy-Food Nexus. It will provide a general overview of the whole mini-grids" value chain for rural electrification, hands-on learning in labs about renewable energy technology, site visit to a community mini-grid. The topics to be covered include:

Applicants from all countries can apply to participate to the MGA. However, applicants from Sub-Saharan countries and particularly from East African Community (EAC) will be given priority.

There will be no tuition fees charged. However, the costs of travel and accommodation during the training course will be covered by each participant or their employers. The organizers will provide course materials, modest lunch and coffee breaks during the course.

The organizers of the course do not accept liability for the payment of any cost or compensation that may arise from damage to or loss of personal property, or from illness, injury, disability or death of a participant while he/she is traveling to and from the course, and it is clearly understood that each participants (or sponsor), undertakes responsibility for such coverage. The participants would be well advised to take out insurance against these risks.



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