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Getting Efficient Faster - the SEforALL Accelerators

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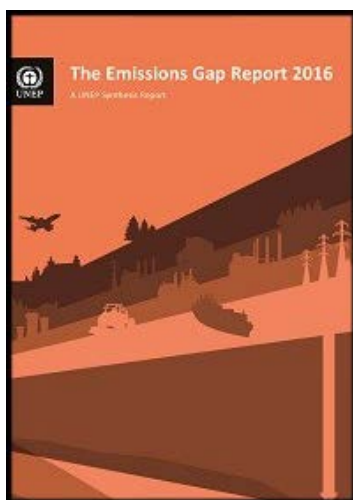
Energy efficiency has come of age. What used to be a dry technical topic debated only by engineers and sometimes economists now finds a place in the speeches of heads of state. There is a growing and deeper appreciation that using energy more efficiently and more productively is a good thing for people and the planet both. Whether the motivation is fighting climate change, having cleaner air, saving money, or improving energy security, more and more people understand that wasting energy makes no sense.

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New Emissions Gap Report highlights energy efficiency's role in

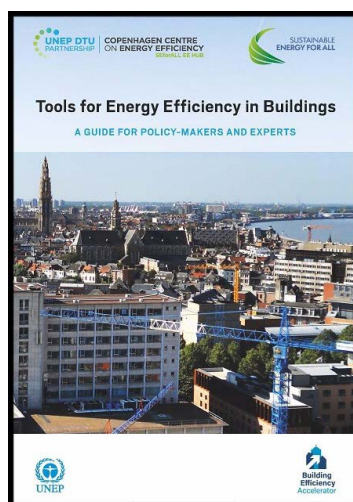
bridging the gap



Even if the ambitious goals of the Paris and Kigali agreements are achieved, we will still be far from reaching the 2030 emission levels required to avert disaster, according to the recently released [Emissions Gap Report](#) (EGR) for 2016. In its assessment of effective reductions that can be rapidly implemented, the report highlighted the potential and positive effects of energy efficiency programmes. A chapter co-authored by UNEP DTU underscores the importance of strengthening local and national energy efficiency policies to deliver deeper emissions reductions, focusing on three key sectors: buildings, industry and transport.

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New working paper a toolbox for building energy efficiency



An overview of 50 energy-efficiency tools and information sources for buildings is the core of a new working paper produced by the Copenhagen Centre and World Resource Institute. Produced under the umbrella of SEforALL's Building Efficiency Accelerator, [Tools for Energy Efficiency in Buildings: A Guide for Policy Makers and Experts](#) not only summarizes the tools but also maps them, linking them to different stages in the policy-development cycle.

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Global Status Report for the building sector launched at COP 22



The Copenhagen Centre has collaborated on a new report featuring the most up-to-date data on the global building sector's energy consumption and GHG emissions. The preparation of the Global Status Report 2016, which was released on November 10 on Buildings Day at COP22 in Marrakesh, was led by the Copenhagen Centre in collaboration with UNEP, International Energy Agency and Global Buildings Performance Network, under the umbrella of Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction. The report summarises key climate commitments, policy developments and sustainable technologies for the building sector, providing sustainable building pathways and recommendations that encourage progress towards achieving climate targets.

News from SEforAll Partners

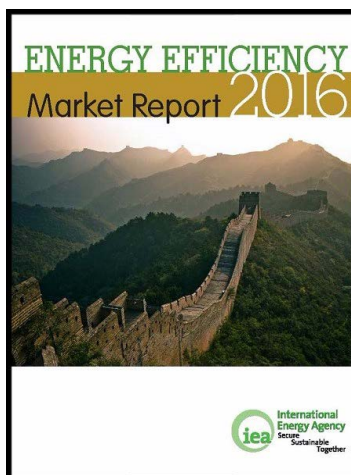
Asian Development Bank provides USD 200 million in loans for energy-efficient lights and water pumps across India



In India, energy-efficiency is about to receive a major boost from the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The bank has announced that it will provide India with USD 200 million in loans to finance the installation of millions of energy-efficient light-emitting diode (LED) lights in streets and homes, as well as energy-efficient water pumps for farms across the country. These installations will save around 3,800 gigawatt-hours of energy per year, the equivalent of the annual output of two 300-megawatt coal-fired power stations.

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International Energy Agency releases new flagship report on energy efficiency



[Energy Efficiency Market Report 2016](#), published by the International Energy Agency, shows that energy intensity (the amount of energy used per unit of GDP) improved by 1.8 percent last year, indicating that the global economy needed less energy to grow. This improvement exceeded the 1.5 percent gain of 2014, and was triple the average energy intensity rate seen over the past decade.

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Belgrade lays the first brick in its Building Efficiency Accelerator



On 30 October, the World Resources Institute and UNEP organized a kick-off workshop in Belgrade, Serbia to start up the city's Building Efficiency Accelerator and District Energy in Cities initiative. Belgrade, which is one of the cities committed to SEforALL's Global Efficiency Accelerator Platform, will receive technical support from the platform as it works to improve energy efficiency in buildings and district energy systems.

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Commitment and Actions by Private Sector

Velux engages in sustainable building with Active House Alliance

Considering that buildings currently consume



around forty percent of the world's energy and emit approximately one-third of global greenhouse gases, sustainably-constructed buildings have enormous potential for reducing emissions. In response to this challenge, the Velux Group, a Danish skylight manufacturer, has initiated a number of projects aimed at catalyzing a more sustainable building design.

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Meet C2E2 at COP 22



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When and Where	Events
11 November 2016 15:00 - 15:45 Nordic Business Pavilion, Area L (Green Zone)	Side event: Unlocking District Energy Investments in Cities

12 November 2016 10:00 - 12:00 Green Zone meeting area	SEforALL Energy Efficiency Accelerator meeting
14 November 2016 12:30 - 13:30 Nordic Business Pavilion, Area L (Green Zone)	Nordic Built City Solutions
14 November 2016 13:30 - 15:00 EU Pavilion - Area D2, Room 11 - Bratislava (Blue Zone)	Panel presentation 'Energy for Economic Growth' in EU Energy Day

More events

1. Final Workshop of the China HIO Study Project, 13 Dec 2016, Beijing, China
2. Final Workshop of the India HIO Study Project, 19 Dec 2016, New Delhi, India
3. UNECE Energy Efficiency Expert Group Workshop: Policy Maker Meets the Engineer, 18 January 2017, Palais des Nations, Geneva



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