

Energy is crucial for achieving most of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations to ensure global sustainable economic, social and environmental development. Nevertheless, more than 1 billion people live without electricity and more than 3 billion cook without clean fuels and more efficient technologies – there remain major challenges on our journey to a future with access to sustainable energy for all.

The Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs invites to a discussion on global energy issues with students and high-level experts from the European Union and the Global Network of Regional Sustainable Energy Centres.

Date	Wednesday, 3 October 2018
Time	6.00pm – 7.30pm
Venue	Vienna School of International Studies Favoritenstraße 15a, 1040 Vienna

## Programme

- 6.00 – 6.05** Opening Remarks by **Désirée Schweitzer** (Director General Department for Development/ Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs)
- 6.05 – 6.20** Statements by  
**Felipe Zaccheo** (Head of Unit Sustainable Energy and Climate Change, Directorate General Int. Cooperation and Development/European Commission)  
**Mahama Kappiah** (Executive Director/ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency)  
**David James Molden** (Director General/International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development)
- 6.20 – 6.50** **Presentation** of research findings from a trans- and interdisciplinary perspective by students of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna
- 6.50 – 7.30** **Discussion/Q&A**
- Moderated by **Dorothea Auer** (Director Development Strategy, Public Relations, Evaluation/Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs) & **Andreas Melcher** (Head of Centre for Development Research/University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna)

*Subsequent possibility for an exchange with buffet and drinks*

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