



Office of the Special Representative of the  
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Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, I am honoured to invite you to the first annual Sustainable Energy for All Forum and global launch of the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for All 2014–2024 to be held on 4 – 6 June 2014 in New York.

The Forum will seek to gather leaders from governments, private sector and civil society, who are committed to forging the future of sustainable energy through transformative actions. It will be a unique opportunity to inspire and mobilize further action, partnerships and commitments by showcasing success stories, innovation and best practices, grow the broader movement of civil society organizations and stakeholders by launching advocacy campaigns and outreach under the UN Decade of Sustainable Energy for All, and shape and set the direction for the global policy discourse on energy for the next crucial decades to come.

The [concept note](#) and [programme](#) are accessible online. Further updates will be made available on [www.se4all.org](http://www.se4all.org). We kindly ask that you [register](#) in advance since space is limited.

By June 2014, two years will have passed since world leaders gathered at the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20) and stated that "we are all determined to act to make sustainable energy for all a reality and, through this, help to eradicate poverty and lead to sustainable development and global prosperity."

As the Secretary-General's Special Representative for Sustainable Energy for All, I regard the upcoming Forum and the Decade as landmark milestone events in our common efforts towards the achievement of the promise made in Rio. I firmly believe that your participation in June will send a forceful signal to the world that all stakeholders continue to stand united and committed in our common efforts to achieve sustainable energy for all, and I therefore passionately urge you to join and make your voice heard.

Sincerely yours,

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