

AREA PHONE CONFERENCE

2nd Conference Call in 2011 on April 28th

Participants:

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Next AREA Conference Call scheduled for:

Thursday, May 26th at 15:00 o'clock Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)

This translates into:

13:00 to 14:00 - Praia, Cape Verde
14:00 to 15:00 - Dakar, Senegal
15:00 to 16:00 - Lagos, Nigeria
15:00 to 16:00 - London, United Kingdom
15:00 to 16:00 - Windhoek, Namibia
16:00 to 17:00 - Johannesburg, South Africa
16:00 to 17:00 - Berlin, Germany
17:00 to 18:00 - Nairobi, Kenya
17:00 to 18:00 - Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

You may want to use [Timezones Worldmap](#) to easily visualise your country and according local time.

Conference Call Dial-in Instructions

Please make use of this number if your country doesn't have its own national dial-in no.: **+44 208 322 3381**

You are then asked to type-in your **participant access code: 761785#**

Dialing-into the AREA Conference Call should be free of charge for you as this service is paid for by the World Future Council Foundation (WFC).

Topics discussed:

- 1) **AREA Conference Calls**
 - a. to be conducted monthly every last Thursday of the month from 15:00 until 16:00 GMT
 - b. February & March phone conferences had to be skipped due to relocation of WFC/ AREA Secretariat from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia to Johannesburg, South Africa
 - c. to participate, see instructions above, announcement on the website and reminder e-mail

2) **AREA Online Platform** www.area-network.ning.com

- a. has been updated in design and features
 - i. the DISCUSSION/ FORUM is now split into different categories:
 - [RE Technologies](#)
 - [Job opportunities](#)
 - [Funding opportunities](#)
 - [RE Policies](#)
 - [RE Finance](#)
 - [RE Research](#)
 - [RE projects](#)
 - [Climate Change](#)
 - [AREA Steering committee & conference calls](#)
 - [Uncategorized](#)
 - ii. new menu added: **JOBS** (offering & wanted)

3) **AREA cooperations:**

We are endorsement partner of **interesting conferences and exhibitions** in the coming months, see <http://area-network.ning.com/events>

'Go Green Afrique – Africa Fair', Addis Ababa, Ethiopia – June 23-26

<http://initiativeafrica.net/Go%20green.htm>

Renewable Energy Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa – July 27-29

<http://www.reafrica.co.za/>

4) **AREA annual conference:**

Power Kick for Africa 2011 - Renewable Energy & Gender, Abuja, Nigeria - June 29 – July 1

→ You are welcome to join us in discussions on:
TECHNOLOGY; POLICY; FIANNCE; PROJECT DEVELOPPERS and AFRICAN LEAPFROGGING

→ Please contact me for an official invitation.

Anthony and Ansgar are busy organizing the solar powered football screening and a renewable energy information tour through Nigeria. Support welcome!

5) **AREA budget:**

We need to become financially independent from the WFC in the 2nd semester of 2011. Thus, we need to enhance our fundraising activities and approach potential supporters. An AREA PPT presentation can be made available to you for this purpose immediately.

A general note:

The African Renewable Energy Alliance (AREA) is a member driven network functioning on the prociple that **the more you give in the more you get out.**

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