

What is IEI?

- A Southern-conceived, Southern-led and Southern-located South-South-North partnership
- A small, independent, international non-governmental public-purpose organization led by internationally recognized energy experts, and with regional offices, staff and programmes in Latin America, Africa and Asia.

What is IEI's Mission?

To build local capacity and analysis, and to engage locally and globally, so as to promote energy for sustainable development.

What is IEI's strategy?

- Focusing on developing countries
- disseminating an approach to energy, in which the level and quality of energy *services* is taken as the measure of development, rather than the magnitude of energy consumption and supply
- improving energy services through end-use efficiency measures and the increased use of environmentally cleaner new and renewable energy technologies
- ensuring that market restructuring and/or liberalization in the electricity and petroleum industries focuses on measures that expand the provision of public benefits
- addressing policies, regulation, institutions, financing and management issues to promote sustainable energy practices
- initiating and strengthening capability in energy analysis, information, advocacy, and implementation in developing countries

Mode of working

- IEI's projects integrally involve Information, Training, Analysis, Advocacy and Action (INTAAACT). Researchers and analysts are committed to making a difference in developing countries.
- IEI promotes regional and country projects from the offices in São Paulo, Cape Town and Bangalore
- International projects and programmes, which involve the collaboration and networking of analysts across Latin America, Africa and Asia, have also been initiated.

IEI's Products/Outputs

An IEI product consists of activities that: (1) have a sharp focus, (2) lead to a contribution that is unique, and (3) advance sustainable development. Some of IEI's products/outputs:

- the publication of books, reports, articles and brochures to disseminate the results of analysis regionally and internationally
- advocacy actions, including newspaper articles, active participation in influential workshops and meetings, and professional involvement in policy, regulatory, utility and civil society institutions
- training programmes for professional staff in government, regulators, utilities and civil society
- the Fellowship Program to educate the next generation of energy analysts

- the journal *Energy for Sustainable Development*, established in May 1994, with the majority of articles and letters coming from developing countries

Comparative advantages of IEI

- intellectual grasp over, and leadership in, key contemporary energy issues
- committed involvement of IEI Board members and researches in global and national energy policy processes
- IEI presence in three major emerging markets / developing countries (Brazil, South Africa and India) enables comparative analysis and learning
- track record in building local capacity and indigenous expertise
- backed by energy experts, networks and institutions from the North
- cost-effectiveness and standing enhanced by policy of not charging international consultancy fees
- honest broker role
- engagement with all energy stakeholders
- complementarity with other organizations to complete innovation chain

IEI -- Status

IEI was formally incorporated as a not-for-profit organization with tax-exempt status in the USA in September 1991, and started operations in September 1992. It was founded by Prof Jose Goldemberg (Brazil), Prof Amulya Reddy (India), Prof Thomas Johansson (Sweden/UNDP) and Dr Bob Williams (USA), after the publication of their widely acclaimed book *Energy for a Sustainable World*. The intent was to further develop analysis around sustainable energy development and to translate these ideas into practice.

It received initial funding from US-based foundations, including the Rockefeller, John Merck, Joyce-Mertz Gilmore and New Land Foundations. It also received grants from the Swedish Agency for Research Cooperation with Developing Countries (SAREC), NORAD and DGIS (the Netherlands). The annual budget of the IEI is approximately US\$ 500,000.

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- *Chairman:* Thomas B Johansson, University of Lund, Sweden
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IEI's mission is to build local capacity and analysis, and to engage locally and globally, so as to promote energy for sustainable development.

Energy is of critical importance to development, economic growth, balance of payments, peace, national and regional environmental protection and the global climate. Energy, therefore, is central to current concerns about sustainable development.

The efficient production and use of energy in an environmentally sound way is essential to tackling these concerns and defining a path to sustainable development based on equity, empowerment, environmental harmony and economic efficiency