



## SDG Pavilion at COP27

### Agenda

**Co-convenors:** United Nations University – Institute for Natural Resources in Africa ([UNU-INRA](#)) and United Nations Economic Commission for Africa ([UN-ECA](#))

**Event Title:** Driving Innovation to Accelerate a Just Energy Transition: JUSTIS Digital Entrepreneurial Ecosystem and the Informal Sector

**Date:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022

**Time:** 19:30–20:45 (75 minutes)

**Format:** Hybrid

**Stage:** Main Stage (48 in person participants – 6 chairs for speakers on the podium)

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19:30-19:35: Opening Remarks – **Fatima Denton**

19:35-20:15: Panel Discussion – Moderator **Linus Mofor**

- **Framing just transitions in the context of Africa's development priorities and energy security.**
  - The debate in Africa on what makes a just transition and what makes a compelling green energy transition. **(UNU-INRA – Fatima Denton)**
  - The role of oil and gas in accelerating Africa's clean energy transition with the continent's abundant variable renewable energy resources such as wind and solar. **(UNECA – Jean-Paul Adam)**
- **Analyzing the informal sector and how to support inclusion in energy transitions.**
  - The informal sector and green entrepreneurs – findings from the field. **(UNU-INRA – Fatima Denton)**
  - Opportunities for creating green jobs for women in Africa and the gendered dynamics of the informal sector. **(AfDB – Vanessa Ushie)**
- **Accelerating innovation and green entrepreneurship.**
  - The role of technology and innovation to support green transition. **(UNECA – Mactar Seck)**
  - The role Africa's private sector can play in addressing the continent's investment challenges. **(African Energy Chamber – NJ Ayuk)**
  - Accelerating clean energy development in Africa and green hydrogen prospects. **(Office of the President of Namibia– James Mnyupe)**

20:15-20:30: Q&A / Alternatively,

20:30 – 20:40: Launching of the JUSTIS Portal – **Fatima Denton/ Jean-Paul Adam**

20:40-20:45: Closing Remarks **Fatima Denton**

\* Notes on time:

Discussion – 4 minutes per question

Q&A – 1 question per panelist, 3 minutes per question



**Resources**

The JUSTIS portal: <https://greenafricaportal.net/home>