

Renewable Transformation Challenge 2025 – Call for Applications

ISES, the [International Solar Energy Society](#) and [Elsevier](#) have launched the Renewable Transformation Challenge (RTC100) for 2025 – **applications are requested by 30 April 2025!**



About the Challenge

The objective of the ELSEVIER-ISES Renewable Transformation Challenge Promotion ("Challenge") is to recognize and honor outstanding work towards a world powered by renewable energy and with accessible energy for all. This objective is consistent with the vision of the International Solar Energy Society (ISES), which is for a world powered by 100% renewable energy used efficiently and wisely and accessible for all. To achieve this vision, a global transformation of our energy systems to efficient and affordable renewable energy must take place.

The Challenge promotion is administered every two (2) years to recognize accomplishments by organizations such as private enterprises, NGOs, and research institutions for undertaking projects and programs that help move the world toward an energy system supplied entirely by renewable energy sources, or for conducting the critical analyses that provide meaningful roadmaps for the transformation. The award winner represents one step towards furthering ISES' vision. This vision can only be achieved through private and civil society initiatives towards innovative and successful programs that adopt the use of renewable energy technologies, and the intelligent application of energy efficiency measures. In the context of this Challenge, the energy transformation applies to all end-use energy consumption: power, heat, and transport.

How to Apply

Applications for the Challenge are invited from organizations who can demonstrate that they have established successful projects, innovative technologies, financing schemes, policy initiatives, or renewable energy programs, or from institutions that have undertaken research and analyses and identified solutions that demonstrate how this goal is being met. The

Challenge can include either supply side (energy generation for end-use energy consumption) or demand side (including energy efficiency) programs, or both, and applicants may address any or all of the end-use energy sectors mentioned above.

Innovative ideas will be given preference over incremental improvement projects.

The Challenge is not a funding body and applications still in the conceptual stage with little supporting evidence of viability are unlikely to proceed past the first evaluation phase.

Details of how the application supports progress towards the 100% renewable energy transformation must be very clear.

The winning proposal will be the one that best demonstrates a contribution to the transformation to a world powered by renewable energy and that ideally has potential to widen access to energy, particularly in developing countries.

To submit your application, register on the application site at rtc2025.skild.com. Upon successful registration, participants will receive a link to the application form to complete.

[Please learn more about the Challenge and find the full terms and conditions here.](#)

Please send any queries you may have about the Challenge or your Application to: challenge@ises.org.

What to win?

The winning project will be awarded a prize of 20.000€ to further their project and will have the chance to present their work at this year's ISES Solar World Congress 2025. Additionally, the winners will receive one live time membership of ISES.

Important Dates

01 March 2025: Application opens

30 April 2025: Deadline for all submissions - no extensions possible!

June 2025: Top 10 Projects announced

01 September 2025: Winner announced

Contact

For any questions, please reach out to the ISES team at challenge@ises.org