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Take Action in Parliaments

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Parliamentary Action on Renewable Energy
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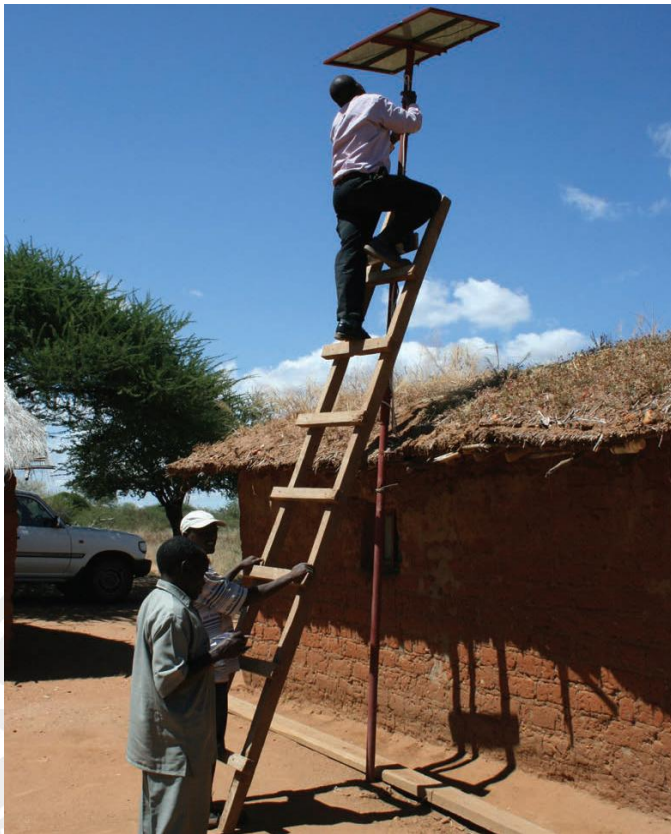
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Renewable Energy is...

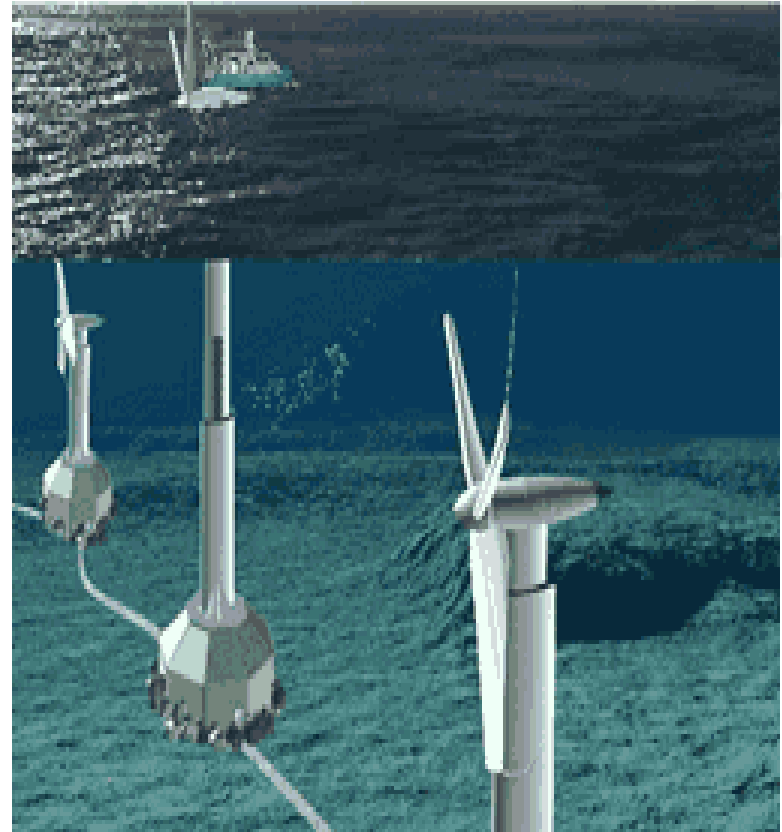


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As easy as this...



And as complicated as this...



So what can you do to start with?

Asking the right questions about renewable energy in your country...

1. To what extent are we meeting the population's energy needs? What percentage of the population remains without secure energy access?
2. Is intermittency an issue? If so, on what scale, and to what extent is this deterring economic development and investments?
3. To what extent has rural electrification been achieved? In what region(s) do problems persist, and what solutions have been (or are being) proposed?
4. What do projections indicate with regards to future energy demands? Will we be able to meet growing energy needs with our current generation capacity? How much added capacity do we expect to need, and what strategies are in place to secure this?
5. What percentage of the current energy creation is generated through renewable energy technologies?
6. What research has been done to explore the potential of renewable energy development? What does this research project in terms of potential generation capacity, costs and so on?
7. Is an action plan in place for development of renewable energy technologies?
8. Have official renewable energy targets been adopted? Can these targets be met on time?

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... and getting the answers:

- Commissioning research and impact studies
- Considering best practices
- Employing Constituency Development Funds
- Initiating cross-party cooperation

And in terms of oversight, what can you do?



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- Consultation
- Question time
- Organizing committee hearings
- Organizing field visits
- Interpellation

In terms of legislation, what can you do?

Know the legislative framework to...

- Directly introduce draft legislation that promotes a clear set of policy recommendations (short term and longer term)
- Examine other countries' legislation (see <http://www.agora-parl.org/resources/aoe/law-making-climate-change>)

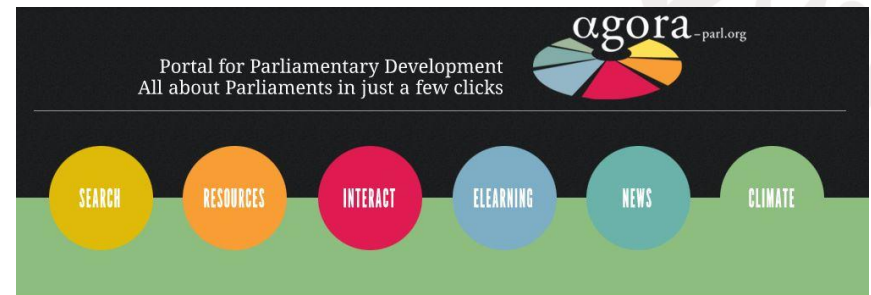
How can you engage citizens on renewable energy?



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- Consulting constituents
- Engaging civil society organizations
- Learning:

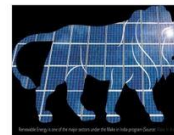
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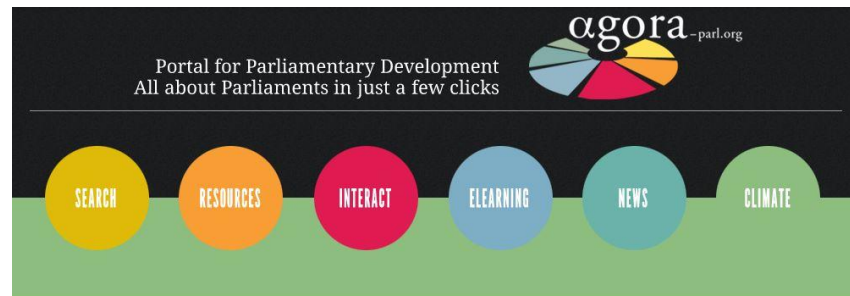
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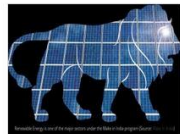
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What can you do informally?



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- Establish a cross-party group or multi-party caucus
- Non-binding resolutions
- Include renewable energy in electoral manifestos

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