

Sector Updates

Share Your News webinar hosted by Solar Cookers International

27th April, 2017

8-9 am PST, 3-4 pm GMT

Hear and share sector updates since the 6th SCI World Conference. This webinar is free and available to anyone.

RSVP and submit any updates that you would like to share, and/or questions that you have for the sector at <https://goo.gl/forms/BFrlbClf7fGpMZoc2> before **Tuesday, 25 April, 2017**.

A recording of the webinar will be available to SCI Associates. Join the SCI Association at <http://www.solarcookers.org/our-work/association-and-network/>



The Heliac solar cooker at the 6th SCI World Conference 2017 Photo: A. Bigelow

Career Opportunity

Contract position: Researcher/ Writer to produce White Paper

Solar Cookers International is looking for an experienced researcher and writer to investigate and synthesize data about successful, scaled solar cooking projects that can be replicated. Solar Cookers International plans to release a white paper on

successful, scalable solar cooking projects as a follow-up its 6th SCI World Conference on solar cooking. [Learn more here](#).

Data Collection for Successful Solar Cooking Projects

The following information is the result of a literature review of solar cooker project evaluations and thirty years of sector experience..

Data Collection Part I: a necessity, not an option

Powerful data drives decisions. SCI suggests incorporating these practices into solar cooker project design.

1. Include data sharing as part of the project partner selection process. Clearly communicate that data collection and sharing is expected, not optional.
2. Include a detailed plan for data analysis. Who will collect the data? Where? When? How often?
3. Have the costs of data collection and project evaluation been included in the project budget and grant applications?
4. Data quality control: who will follow up if some of the respondents' answers don't seem clear?
5. Solar Cookers International recommends using the [SCI Adoption & Impact Survey](#) developed by the global network. It harmonizes with surveys used by cookstove and international organizations.
6. SCI recommends conducting the baseline survey before starting the intervention. We recommend conducting the post-intervention survey one year after the group began solar cooking.
7. Add data to [SCI's solar cooker distribution map](#).

Share your best practices with info@solarcookers.org. **Data Collection Part II** will be published in a future edition of the *SCI Digest*.

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Funding Opportunities

Funding Opportunity: Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves Women Empowerment Fund Round Four

The Women Empowerment Fund seeks to scale the number of women energy entrepreneurs throughout the value chain using women's empowerment approaches in order to share lessons learned and build the evidence for effective, gender-informed business models. All applications must demonstrate how the gender best practices outlined in the Alliance's Resource Guide on Scaling Adoption of Clean Cooking Solutions' through Women's Empowerment will be implemented throughout the project/business model.

For more information and submission instructions, [click here](#).

Solar Cooking Social Campaign

Help celebrate SCI's 30th anniversary and show the world how you solar cook. Send a short video that is less than 30 seconds long, and say your name, what country you live in, and how you solar cook. Email your video files to info@solarcookers.org. The videos will be combined into one to demonstrate the global impact of solar cooking. Below is an example video by SCI Vice President Monica Woods.



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