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solar cooking sector

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It's been a busy year of progress and promise at Solar Cookers International. In January, the 6th SCI World Conference was held in Gujarat, India, with over 200 participants from 30 countries in attendance. Throughout the summer, SCI staff continued collecting data on the worldwide adoption rates of solar cooking, developing the "SCI Performance Evaluation Protocol (PEP) for Testing and Reporting Solar Cooker Performance", and launching pilot solar cooker testing centers in California, New York, and Nepal. In November, SCI represented the solar cooking sector at the UN Climate Change Conference (known as COP 23) in Bonn, Germany. Soon, SCI will unveil the 2018-2020 Strategic Plan and will continue building a global movement for solar cooking advocacy.

Those are just a few of the annual highlights at SCI... **but we would like to hear from you, our supporters.**

In this issue, we have included a quick Google Survey for you to leave feedback on SCI's achievements, SCI Digest content and frequency, and any other suggestions you have for us. Survey responses are encouraged but not required, and all responses are anonymous. If you have additional feedback, please email SCI's Program Staff at program@solarcookers.org and let us know what you would like to see from SCI in 2018.

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Questions for SCI Digest Subscribers

As SCI moves forward into 2018, we're interested in what our SCI Digest subscribers think of SCI's progress this year, and what you would like included in this regular e-newsletter. Please fill out the survey below to provide program feedback and to suggest content ideas for future updates.

What were the three most important achievements for SCI during 2017? (Please limit your selection to 3 options.)

- ☐ Hosting the 6th SCI World Conference in Gujarat, India
- ☐ Launch of SCI Performance Evaluation Process (PEP) for solar cookers
- ☐ Establishment of solar cooking testing center in Nepal with Centre for Rural Technology- Nepal
- ☐ Advocating for inclusion of solar cookers at the ISO/TC285 Plenary for clean cookstoves standards
- ☐ Championing solar cooking at the United Nations High Level Political Forum (HLPF) with SCI Global Advisors
- ☐ Promoting solar cooking to government delegates at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP23)
- ☐ Connecting partners to facilitate the Solar Cookoff at Kakuma Refugee

Camp, Kenya

- ☐ Strengthening solar cookers entrepreneurs with the "Solar Cooking as a Social Business" webinar
- ☐ Facilitating the "Social Entrepreneurship Workshop" after the 6th SCI World Conference
- ☐ Conducting solar cooking support webinars in Spanish for Latin American audiences
- ☐ Providing scientific input on Haiti's energy plan to Haitian government officials
- ☐ Representing solar cooking at the American Solar Energy Society (ASES) Annual Conference
- ☐ Representing solar cooking at the GACC Clean Cooking Forum 2017
- ☐ Attaining Guidestar's Platinum rating for transparency and accountability, the highest possible rating by the charity watchdog
- ☐ Registering CohnReznick Capital as the newest SCI Organizational Level Associate (joining Heliac, the International Solar Energy Society, and the American Solar Energy Society)
- ☐ Continuing to manage and share the Solar Cooking Wiki
- ☐ Other:

What would you like to see included in upcoming SCI Digest issues?

Your answer

If you are an SCI Associate, would you like to:

- ☐ Purchase discounted advertising space in a future SCI Digest issue?
- ☐ Submit a feature article for a future SCI Digest issue?
- ☐ Other:

How often would you like to receive the SCI Digest?

Your answer

What additional comments or suggestions do you have for SCI?

Your answer

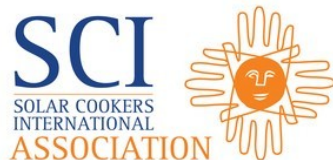
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Upcoming Webinar Opportunities



SCI Webinar: Solar Cooking Sector Updates

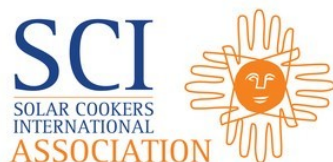
10 January 2018

8:00-9:00 am Pacific Time/ 15:00-16:00 GMT

Register by 3 January for your updates to be included (time permitting)

[Register here for the SCI Webinars on January 10](#)

SCI Refugee Working Group Call



10 January 2018

9:00-10:00 am Pacific Time/ 16:00-17:00 GMT

Call will immediately follow the "Solar Cooking Sector Updates" Webinar

[Register here for the SCI Webinars on January 10](#)



Partner Webinar with Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves

The Clean, Sustainable Cooking Solution: Solar Thermal

22 February 2018

9:00-10:00 am Pacific Time/ 16:00-17:00 GMT

This joint, live webinar with the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves will provide an overview of solar thermal sector trends, upcoming opportunities for partners, and features on specific tools, resources, and engagement activities.

[Register here for "The Clean, Sustainable Cooking Solution" Webinar](#)

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the global solar cooking movement.***

Please submit articles for the *SCI Digest* to info@solarcookers.org.

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