University of Amsterdam

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## **ENLENS**

**Sustainable Developments Goals** 

# **Energy Transition through the Lens of**

#### Launch of UvA's new **Research Priority Area ENLENS**

On 13 December 2022, the University of Amsterdam (UvA) officially launched its new Research Priority Area (RPA) ENLENS, with the core goal of stimulating and initiating research across faculties that maps the Dutch and European energy transition against the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) beyond European borders.

introduction The the to ENLENS project was presented by Board members Bob van der Zwaan & Marija Bartl, followed by a Keynote presentation by the internationally renowned energy scientist Shonali Pachauri, who emphasized the necessity of strategies to bridge the gap between energy analysis and research for all other SDGs.

The second part of the ENLENS launch, coordinated by Barbara Hogenboom (Board member of ENLENS), brought together representatives from all participating UvA Faculties (FdR, FEB, FGW, FMG, FNWI, as well as IAS) and the Rector of UvA, Peter Paul Verbeek, to discuss the gaps, synergies and tensions in the links between the energy transition and SDGs, and how we can stimulate crossfaculty, cross-disciplinary and cocreation-based research to achieve the aims of ENLENS. The concluding reflections were made by John Grin (Board member of ENLENS), who specified the relevance of the role of UvA and the ENLENS project towards a just energy transition.



"How energy interlinks with sustainable development" by Shonali Pachauri (Principal Research Scholar of the Energy, Climate and Environment Program of the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis, IIASA).

### **Latest News:**

Call for proposals

The new UvA research priority area ENLENS announces another call for project proposals.

Application deadlines: 1 April and 1 October each year, but intermediate submissions are also considered. For instructions and the application form for 2-page proposals, see: ENLENS call for project proposals - University of Amsterdam (uva.nl).

Contact information: enlens-science@uva.nl

Future of Energy seminar

On 13 February 2023, the Future of Energy seminar series will present two new lectures: "Ethics, the future of energy and climate policy" by Colin Hickey, and "The EU strategy on hydrogen production in North Africa" by Julian Morgan.

**Time:** 12:00 - 14:00 (including a light lunch). Where: Institute for Advanced Study (IAS), on-site event only. **Registration:** futureofenergy-science@uva.nl