RE-Imagining the Human Dimension of Renewable Energy Futures for Southeast Asia





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Notes from the panel...

- The opportunities and gaps to current RE situation of the region
- Utilisation and openness to RE technologies and innovations
- Supportive policies and political will to commit to long-term RE transition









Aspirations / Goals:

- Southeast Asia has one of the most comprehensive RE plans and targets.
- There are plans to deploy clean and RE technologies with various market tools.
- Quite optimistic outlook

Realities:

- Disconnect between plans and conditions on the ground
- Lack of equitable and sustainable energy access especially in poor and marginalized groups.

Re-imagined future

- Electrification an enabler to sustainable development
- Participation from below on RE decision-making
- RE transition framework: human aspect is also important!
- Energy equity and democracy



Ways to get there

- Sustainable energy transition is more than a hardware issue.
- Constant and quality engagement with the endusers is needed.
- Redefinition of electrification
- Suitability of technological solutions vis-à-vis community conditions
- Role of women, indigenous and marginalised groups



Preferable renewable energy future?

 A group of empowered individuals and communities



Some things to reflect...

- Do current RE policies in your country consider equitable access for the energy poor?
- Does the government promote electrification, not only for power but for empowerment?
- What are the ways we can make sustainable energy transition more participatory and democratic?

Thank you!

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