



Background

Previous SE4A conference / 3 days in October 2017, Brussels

The first edition of the international conference “Sustainable Energy for Africa”(SE4A in short), organized by the Royal Academy for Overseas Sciences of Belgium (RAOS), took place in Brussels (23-25 October 2017, Palace of the Academies).

The following messages were delivered as a conclusion:

- **Science:** Energy is a value chain aimed at providing services to society, households and industry, based, for each region of the world, on an optimal mix of secure (24/7/365 supply), affordable and sustainable primary energy sources.
- **Politics:** Energy, together with circular economy, is a primary driving force for development – research and innovation as well as education and life-long learning for all are crucial; international collaboration in the field of energy-climate should be encouraged.
- **Follow-up edition in Africa in 2020:** academia, industry, policy-makers and civil society should meet again in a conference to report on the latest developments and discuss joint actions in the energy-climate sector in Africa.

The final programme of the previous conference (SE4A, 23-25 October 2017) and the partial audio/video recordings of all presentations are available on the following website:

- https://www.kaowarsom.be/documents/Conferences/Energy/RAOS_programme_sustainability_energy4Africa.pdf
- https://www.kaowarsom.be/en/SustainableEnergy4Africa_presentations%26videos