Agenda: IEEE Smart Village Workshop 2015

*Thursday October 8, 2015 8AM to 5PM at GHTC 2015 Doubletree Hilton Seattle Airport*

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| *Ray Larsen & Robin Podmore, Co-Chairs* | | | |
| **TIME** | **DURA-TION** | **TOPIC** | **SPEAKER(S)** |
| 0730-0800 | 30 | Registration | Albe Larsen |
| 0800-0830 | 15 | Welcome and Introductions | Ray Larsen, SV Co-Chair |
| 0830-0845 | 15 | Goals of Workshop | Robin Podmore, Co-Chair |
| 0845-0915 | 30 | Community Empowerment & Technology Developments | Ray Larsen, SV Co-Chair |
|  |  | **FIELD REPORTS** |  |
| 0915-0945 | 30 | Cameroon - Torchbearer | Martin Niboh, President |
| 0945-1015 | 30 | Zambia: Lichi Community Solutions & KWH- Kilowatts for Humanity Partners | Likonge Makai |
| 1015-1045 | 30 | **REFRESHMENTS & NETWORK** |  |
| 1045-1115 | 30 | India: New Initiatives in UP & Gujarat | Ray Larsen, SV Co-Chair |
| 1115-1145 | 30 | Smart Village Configurations & Architecture | Robin Podmore, SV Co-Chair |
| 1145-1200 | 15 | Discussion | All |
| 1200-1330 | 90 | **LUNCH & NETWORK** |  |
| 1330-1400 | 30 | Ladakh & IEEE R10 Initiatives, Global Himalaya Expedition | Paras Loomba, President |
| 1400--1430 | 30 | Nigeria - Green Village Energy Partners | Ifeanyi Orajaka, Chuka Eze, Founders |
| 1430-1450 | 20 | IEEE Foundation Development Funding | Michael Deering, IEE Foundation  Ravi Seethapathy. Committee Chair |
| 1450-1515 |  | **REFERESHMENTS & NETWORK** |  |
| 1515-1600 | 45 | Panel on Human Rights  Chair Robin Podmore, SV Co-Chair | Dr. Bai Blyden – Consultant  Dr. Musa Dan-Fodio, International Human Rights Attorney  Dr. Dan Wessner – Professor Regis University |
| 1600-1700 | 60 | IEEE CBOC Education & Global Classroom  The 50.2 Development Practice Program | Dan Wessner, Regis University & Posner Center for Int’l Development |
| 1700 |  | **ADJOURN** |  |

Panel Session: IEEE Smart Village and Human Rights

Session Leader: Dr. Robin Podmore: Co-Chair IEEE Smart Village

Panelists:

Dr. Bai Blyden – Consultant

Dr. Musa Dan-Fodio, International Human Rights Attorney

Dr. Dan Wessner – Professor Regis University

The mission of Smart Village is to “Empower off-grid communities through education and the creation of sustainable, affordable, locally owned entrepreneurial energy businesses”.

Amartya Sen, winner of the 1998 [Nobel Prize in Economics](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nobel_Prize_in_Economics), argues that economic development entails a set of linked freedoms: political freedoms, transparency in relations, access to credit and escape from abject poverty through creation of jobs. More pragmatically; Paul Polak author of “Out of Poverty” argues that the best way to help people living on $1 to $2 per day is to show them how to earn more money.

In this panel session, the panelists will summarize their unique and extensive career work on human rights. They will then explore the questions:

How can IEEE Smart Village support the European Refugee Crisis with electrification, education and job creation in camps?

What funding is available to support growth of IEEE Smart Village in this area?