



# IRENA NewGen Renewable Energy Accelerator Programme Application - 4th Cohort 2026

**Disclaimer:**

Applicants are encouraged to ensure that all responses are genuine, tailored, and grounded in their own experience. The use of AI tools should be approached with caution; applications containing automated, generic, or irrelevant responses may be subject to disqualification.

\* Required

## Personal Contact Information of the Applicant

1. Applicant (1) First Name \*

2. Applicant (1) Last Name \*

3. Applicant (1) WhatsApp number \*

Insert Country Code

The value must be a number

4. Applicant (1) Email address \*

Please ensure that you have typed the email address correctly

Please enter an email

5. Applicant (1) Personal LinkedIn account

6. Applicant (1) Job title / Position \*

7. Applicant (1) Date of Birth \*

8. Applicant (1) Nationality \*

9. Applicant (1) Country of residency \*

10. Applicant (1) Gender \*

- Woman
- Man
- Non-binary
- Prefer not to say

## Second Contact Person Information

Startups with single founders or one person startup are not eligible to join the IRENA NewGen Accelerator programme

11. Applicant (2) First Name \*

12. Applicant (2) Last Name \*

13. Applicant (2) WhatsApp Number \*

Include Country Code

The value must be a number

14. Applicant (2) Email Address \*

Please enter an email

15. Applicant (2) Personal LinkedIn account

16. Applicant (2) Nationality \*

17. Applicant (2) Country of Residency \*

18. Applicant (2) Date of Birth \*



19. Applicant (2) Job title / Position \*

20. Applicant (2) Gender \*

- Woman
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### Business Brief Information

21. Start-up Name \*

22. Start-up Website \*

23. Start-up LinkedIn \*

24. Business Brief \*

100 Words (Extra Words won't be considered)

Please enter at most 600 characters

25. Names, Titles, Email and Gender of other Co-Founders

26. Country of Establishment and/or Operations \*

Enter More than one country if relevant.

27. Date of Start-up legal Establishment \*

As per the trading/commercial license



28. Please upload the Startup establishment proof via drive, Dropbox or any cloud sharing platform and past the public link below \*

## Startup Business Model

### 29. Value Proposition \*

What is your start-up value proposition? (50 words)

Please enter at most 300 characters

## 30. Problem Statement(s) your Startup is addressing \*

Please read carefully the below curated problem statements and select the one(s) relevant to your business.

- Energy Efficiency: Lack of affordable and efficient HVAC solutions for residential and commercial use
- Energy Efficiency: Inefficient small-scale industrial equipment and processes causing high fossil fuel dependence in MSMEs
- Energy Efficiency: Lack of efficient renewable energy-based productive appliances and components (e.g., motors, pumps)
- Energy Storage: High upfront cost of batteries for mobility, stationary, and electronics applications
- Energy Storage: Dependence on exploitatively mined minerals (e.g., lithium, cobalt) for battery materials
- Energy Storage: Inefficient recycling processes and lack of second-life solutions for batteries
- Energy Access: Lack of affordable, clean cooking solutions with reliable after-sales service
- Energy Access: High upfront cost and inefficiency of renewable energy-based productive appliances for 24x7 access
- Energy Access: Lack of clean, affordable industrial equipment for micro and small enterprises (MSMEs)
- RE Technologies: High R&D costs and long development timelines for new renewable energy technologies
- RE Technologies: Lack of standard testing and certification processes delaying market entry
- RE Technologies: Limited adoption of decentralized renewable energy solutions due to high costs, grid challenges, and land constraints
- Lack of cost-efficient extraction and pre-treatment technologies for biomass waste
- Variability in biomass feedstock quality due to geographical and seasonal factors
- High transportation costs and limited portable solutions for biomass processing
- Short shelf life and improper storage of biomass leading to spoilage and degradation
- Limited creation of high-value products from biomass waste beyond composting and burning
- Low recyclability of biomass processing waste leading to disposal challenges
- Limited integration of digitalization (AI, IoT, blockchain) in renewable energy systems
- Challenges in scaling energy solutions for climate-vulnerable or off-grid communities
- Lack of affordable green hydrogen production and storage technologies
- Need for innovative financing models to scale clean technology adoption
- Other

31. Start-up Products/Services \*

Please describe the products or services you are currently selling.

Please enter at most 500 characters

32. Customer Segments - Who pays for your service/Product? \*

Please List Down Customers of your services or products. (100 words). Please be specific in your answer

Please enter at most 500 characters

33. Start-up Revenue & Sales \*

Please indicate your revenue figure range for 2024

- Below 10,000 USD
- 10,000 < and <100,000 USD
- 100,000 < and < 500,000 USD
- Above 500,000 USD

34. Investments/Funding Stage raised. \*

- Pre-seed
- Seed Investment
- Series A
- Series B

35. Is your startup integrating AI or Deep Tech in its operations products or services? \*

- Yes
- No

36. If AI or Deep Tech is integrated, please explain further briefly

Please enter at most 500 characters

## Climate, Social & Environmental Impact

37. Please mention briefly the current Climate, Social or Environmental Impact of your start-up? (150 word) \*

Please enter at most 700 characters

### Needs Assessment

Please be specific in your answers and consult your team members before answering.

38. What are the challenges faced by your start-up at this stage? \*

100 Words

Please enter at most 500 characters

39. What kind of support you currently need to realize growth within your business? \*

150 Words

Please enter at most 700 characters

40. Please select up to three from the following topics according to your needs \*

(Feel free to add topics of your own)

Please select at most 4 options.

- 1. Renewable Energy & Climate Technology technical support
- 2. Business Model Development
- 3. Customer traction
- 4. Investment Readiness
- 5. Climate Impact Assessment
- 6. Business management & Governance
- 7. Business Marketing and positioning
- 8. Accounting & Financial Managment
- 9. New technology trends (Deep tech, AI, IOT, etc)
- Other

41. What could be the profile of a supporting business mentor for your business? Background, qualification, experience, skills, etc. \*

Please be specific - 150 Words.

Please enter at most 700 characters

## Attachments

Please make sure to include correct URL that is accessible for public.

42. Please, paste a Drive link for your Start-Up Pitch Deck: A 2 Slide PowerPoint document that includes the below information. \*

1. Start-up Name & Logo
2. Founders Names, Contacts & LinkedIn hyperlink
3. What you sell? Product or service provided, to whom (Customers) and for how much (Product/Service Price)?
4. Start-up Country and date of establishment and operations
5. The Market size of your Start-up Business
6. Market share of your Start-up if any
7. Start-up Revenue in last 1-2 years in USD
8. Startup Product/service photo (with Customers if possible)
9. Founders photo (optional)

Please make sure that the shared link is public and is accessible to anyone; additionally, kindly ensure that logos and photos that are inserted are high resolution. Feel free to position the above items as you see fit within the two slides. Please make sure to fill in this data (In the PowerPoint file provided on IRENA Website in just two slides with font size 11+)

43. Please, past a drive link for a video for you and your co-founder doing an elevator pitch for your startup - 60 second max \*

Please make sure that the link is accessible to our evaluators. It is not advisable to post in on YouTube or public platform. Drive, Dropbox, share point are fine.

44. Please, paste a Drive link for Start-up founders CVs in one merged PDF \*

Please make sure that the shared link is public and is accessible to anyone.

### Additional Questions

45. Are you currently enrolled in any other accelerator? \*

- Yes
- No

46. In case you responded yes, please name the name of the accelerator and its location and when you joined and when you will conclude the cycle.

47. How did you hear about IRENA NewGen Renewable Accelerator programme? \*

- IRENA Website
- IRENA Social Media
- Newsletter
- Referrals/ Friends
- Other

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