



# Transformational Energy Access Through a Social Lens

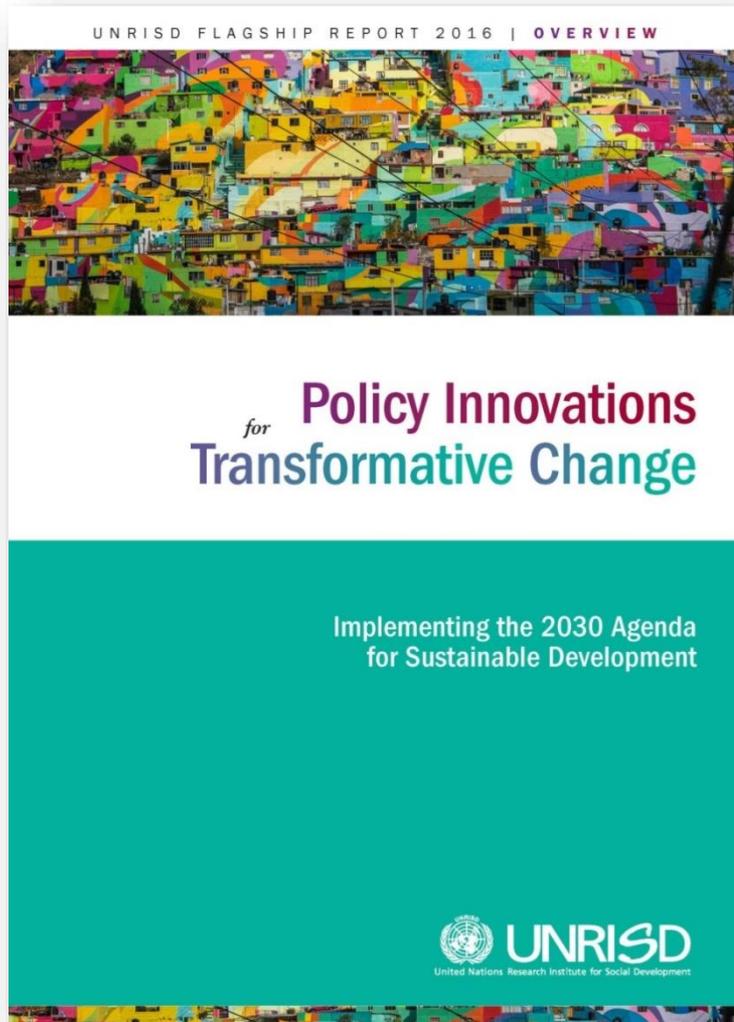


Energy for structural transformation and sustainable development in the least developed countries

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# UNRISD Flagship Report

- ❑ Unpacks the concept of transformative change
- ❑ Features policy innovations in different country contexts
- ❑ Calls for an “eco-social” turn

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# Climate injustice

Lowest emitters face highest risks;  
climate policies can reinforce **inequalities** and trigger **triple injustice**



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# Triple injustice

Arises for example when green economy policies lead to “land grabbing” or exclusion





# Shifting perspective

Economic activities **as a means to reach** equity and environmental sustainability

# What makes a policy transformative?

- ❑ Economic and political empowerment
- ❑ Equality and well-being
- ❑ Active citizenship and agency
- ❑ Changes in global power relations and governance
- ❑ Eco-social norms guiding markets & politics



# Renewable energy and development

Access to sustainable  
energy improves  
livelihoods, tackles  
harmful indoor air  
pollution and time poverty



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# Solar Sister

Network of female entrepreneurs

Increasing incomes

Reaching rural poor communities



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# Energy cooperatives

Driver of rural  
electrification in  
Bangladesh, positive pilot  
experiences in Cambodia,  
South Sudan, Uganda





# Resilient City Dakar

Improving energy efficiency is part of comprehensive strategy for inclusive development and resilience



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## Challenge of scaling up

Share of both **ODA and climate finance** going to LDCs must increase along with private sector investment



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