

UN WOMEN

CLIMATE TECH ACCELERATOR

SUPPORTING WOMEN-LED ENTREPRENEURSHIP SOLUTIONS
TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE

Powered by:

WOMEN'S
EMPOWERMENT
PRINCIPLES



Funded by:



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and Family

Implemented with:



OVERVIEW

The **UN Women Climate Tech Accelerator**, powered by the Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPs), is an initiative supported by the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family of the Republic of Korea and implemented by She Loves Tech. With a blend of expert guidance and community support, and a focus on both personal and professional growth, this one-of-a-kind accelerator programme will enable high-potential women-led climate technology startups to become high-growth, high-impact, gender-responsive enterprises that are investor- and market-ready. The programme will support a diverse cohort of women entrepreneurs in member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) who are harnessing technological innovations to address climate change while offering more opportunities for women in the blue and green economies, and therefore creating a ripple effect of innovation and empowerment.

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

Over nine months, the programme will:

- Increase the business capacities of women-led climate technology startups, equipping them with the required skills for scaling their business and articulating their business pitches; thereby improving their overall ability to attract investment
- Increase capacities to drive social impact through facilitating greater participation of at-risk communities in the design and implementation of climate technology solutions as well as building more gender-responsive and inclusive business models
- Improve opportunities for women-led climate technology startups to access finance by engaging with investors and drawing in investments
- Widen networks and strengthen advocacy by leveraging tools and training to enable businesses/leaders to form networks, become advocates for more diversity in the climate technology industry, and engage with policymakers for advocacy and policy reform



PROGRAMME PARTICIPANTS

Through a rigorous process, a cohort will be chosen comprising 10–12 women-led startups in the pre-seed stage (post minimum viable product) and seed stage, focused on various climate technology verticals in the blue and the green economies. Although the preference is for women-led startups, applications from startups with other co-founders whose solutions strongly benefit women are also welcome.

PROGRAMME VERTICALS:

 Renewable energy (solar, wind, bioenergy, tidal, wave, ocean thermal energy, energy storage)	 Water management (conservation, purification, desalination)	 Climate resilience (early warning system, adaptation technologies, risk assessment tools, greenhouse gas and ecological data)
 Energy efficiency and other related climate technology solutions that reduce the time spent by women on domestic chores (i.e. water or firewood fetching, cooking, etc.)	 Sustainable agriculture and forestry (reforestation, precision farming, crop health monitoring, aquaculture)	 Supply chain management (route optimization, fleet management, inventory management, marine logistics)
 Green and sustainable transportation (electric vehicles, sustainable urban mobility)	 Green buildings and infrastructure (energy-efficient buildings, smart home tech, sustainable materials construction)	 Blue economy solutions (marine ecosystem monitoring, marine biotechnology, coastal resilience)

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

2024					2025			
Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
PHASE 1			DEMO DAY	PHASE 2			POST-PROGRAMME ENGAGEMENT	
PHASE 1: Capacity-building and strategy refinement Duration: Three months (Aug–Oct 2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentorship from industry experts and successful entrepreneurs Targeted support to refine offering and growth strategy Access to fundraising opportunities Capacity-building for increased impact, especially gender impact Training to develop leadership skills and advocacy, and strategic thinking to drive impact Dedicated coaching for personal and professional growth 						DEMO DAY: Pitching to investors and strategic partners Duration: At the end of Phase 1 (Nov 2024) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pitching to a curated audience of investors, including venture capitalists, family offices and impact investors actively seeking to support and invest in climate technology innovation Exposure to potential strategic partners 		
PHASE 2: Growth and fundraising support Duration: Three months (Dec–Feb 2025) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular check-ins and office hours with experienced investors, industry experts and successful entrepreneurs in climate technology One-on-one mentorship sessions for personalized guidance, feedback and support 				POST PROGRAMME ENGAGEMENT Duration: Three months (Feb 2025 onwards) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to curated events and resources provided by the She Loves Tech community Continued engagement with the She Loves Tech and UN Women networks, fostering ongoing support and connection Further opportunities for networking, partnerships and potential collaborations 				

PROGRAMME PARTNERS

Recognizing the critical role that cooperation plays in driving sustainable innovation, the UN Women Climate Tech Accelerator will engage experts the climate technology ecosystem, including investors, entrepreneurship support organizations and others across ASEAN to amplify its collective impact.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US

- ▶ as a financing partner: gain priority access to a pipeline of potential investees
- ▶ as a mentor: to support enterprises and establish thought leadership

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