



## **The Lightbulb Journal: Call for Submissions**

The African Legal Support Facility (ALSF) invites submissions of short articles for possible inclusion in the third and fourth issues of *The Lightbulb*. *The Lightbulb* is an easy-to-read journal designed by an exclusively pro-government institution to speak directly to African governments, especially in transitioning states. While it targets transitioning states, the journal is authored for the benefit of, and will be available to, all African governments that are member states of the ALSF. Its readership includes policy makers, Government technicians, legal practitioners and academia in the energy sector. Please see the first and second issues and more information about *The Lightbulb* journal at <https://www.alsf-lightbulb.com/>.

The ALSF classifies as transitioning states countries that are only eligible for grants from the African Development Fund (ADF) and listed as “ADF-Only Countries” by the African Development Bank (See list [here](#)). *The Lightbulb* will provide a tool to help governments in African transitioning states expand their capacity and understand their specific energy sector needs, encourage these governments to request the ALSF’s support for specific projects in the energy sector, and help create an enabling legal, institutional, and commercial environment to attract energy sector investors to these transitioning states.

The third and fourth issues of the journal will feature a key article and other short articles on specific topics drawn from broad areas such as:

- i. Public Private Partnerships in power transmission in Africa.
- ii. Integration of the Battery Energy Storage Systems.
- iii. Third party energy intermediaries (*inter alia*, their roles, policies surrounding these intermediaries, impact on the energy market in Africa).
- iv. Aggregated renewable energy solutions.
- v. Regional integration and energy connectivity in the continent. The role of African power pools in developing sustainable and competitive markets.
- vi. Scaling-up renewable energy projects in the continent.
- vii. Innovative solutions to risks associated with energy projects in transitioning states.



The word limit for the articles is 1000 Words. The articles should be written in English, and the ALSF will subsequently translate the journal into French and Portuguese.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Intent to Submit: 28 March 2024
- Full Version: 22 April 2024
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