

# **Energy Revolution – New Opportunity for Women’s Leadership**

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Energy is essential to human survival. To reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> emission and control the global climate change, using the renewable energy by solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, to replace the current fossil energy is the main trend of 21 century. The traditional energy system like power energy, is centralized stratification, while the new system could have supply of solar energy from many roofs, school gardens, mostly distributed with diversity.

The change is not only on the technology, but also on business model and social structure. As the traditional industry has to be gradually withdrawn, new service businesses are growing, social management model tends to be flat and diversified, while NGOs become more active in reflecting and coordinating requirements from different social communities. Another impact of energy revolution is on the culture.

In this age of energy revolution, there are great opportunities for women to win the leadership and play the key function. It is because women’s special advantage in network thinking, sensibility, intuition, social and organizational skills, which are just adapt to the new situation under the energy revolution. For promoting the sustainable development of the future, women needs empowerment and in power.