

# IEEE SIGHT

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Note from the Chair

Thank you to all who have submitted their proposals for SIGHT projects! We are excited to read through them all and see what kind of brilliant projects you have come up with. If you have missed the deadline, there will be a second round for proposals in June.

Also as a reminder, we are still having a [call for nominations for positions in the SIGHT Steering Committee](#). The deadline for the nominations will be **April 27**. To read more about the key responsibilities and qualifications, [click here](#).

Once again, thank you for all that you do and keep up the great work!

*Daniel Lottis*  
*Chair, IEEE SIGHT Steering Committee*

## Featured Stories

### Humans of IEEE SIGHT : Sampath Kumar

Sampath Kumar has been the IEEE SIGHT Projects Chair for the past three years. Outside of IEEE, Mr. Kumar works as a Technical Program Manager at Amazon.

Mr. Kumar shared his thoughts and experience with SIGHT in an interview with SIGHT Communications Chair, Celia Shahnaz.

[Read more at sight.ieee.org](http://sight.ieee.org)



### IEEE SIGHT Survey at Senapattinam Village

The SIGHT volunteers of the IEEE Madras Section organized a trip to the village of Senapattinam to bring electrification to the members of the community. The volunteers learned about the different issues that lack of proper lighting can bring and how each member of the community is

affected.

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## IEEE SIGHT Nigeria Reaches Out to Local Schools

IEEE SIGHT Nigeria visited local schools namely Lutheran Senior Science College, Ibadakachi-kono Local Govt Area, Uyo, Loyola College Ibadan, Oyo, and Abadina Primary School II. These schools lacked the proper resources to teach the latest technology and science to students. IEEE SIGHT Nigeria Chair and team stepped into action by designing and demonstrating simple circuits with solar panels to give electricity on the spot.



## National Meeting for Student Branches in Peru

On April 13, 14, and 15, the Peru Section held a national meeting for the student branches across Peru. Over ten student branches participated in this event. The two conferences were designed to teach the students more about SIGHT, motivate them to start their own SIGHT groups, and inspire them to create their own SIGHT projects.



## Video: Post-Construction Support for Rural Water Systems (a recorded E4C Webinar)

There is much debate in the WASH sector over post-construction support options for rural water systems. The goal is to create a system that lasts indefinitely, but the discussion is over how.

In the past, the sector took a "give the community water" approach, building infrastructure and leaving it with a community. Now the sector has moved to a systems approach that asks, "How can we ensure that the service of water provision works indefinitely and adapts to changing consumer needs?"

In this webinar, three water systems experts will share what has worked and why.

View this webinar recording to learn:

- The different approaches to post-construction support in rural settings
- The characteristics of successful ones and what lessons can be learned
- Practical information that practitioners can apply to their work



E4C Webinar | Post Construction Support for Rural Water Systems

Post-Construction Support for Rural Water Systems

Introduction

UNICEF/HQ06-0202/Michael Kamber

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This webinar is also available in Spanish and can be viewed [here!](#)



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## Get Involved - Find Resources

### Become a SIGHT Member

Membership is free and open to all individuals who want to engage in sustainable development. Your membership benefits include the monthly SIGHT newsletter, as well as SIGHT announcements.

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### Become a Community Partner

We are in search of committed community partners with a distinct technology challenge who want to access engineering and technical resources. Requests from

### Find a SIGHT

Professional and University SIGHT groups around the globe are partnering with communities and local organizations to leverage for sustainable development.

#### [Find a Group](#)

### Start a SIGHT

If a SIGHT group does not exist in your area, click below to access the SIGHT Toolkit, a custom resource for those who wish to create a new SIGHT for their community or understand what is involved in creating a new SIGHT.

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prospective community partners are reviewed monthly and paired with local SIGHT groups if appropriate.


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