



Platforms for Engineering for Global Development (EGD)

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In 2007
the two richest
people in the world
had more money
than the
combined GDP of
the 45 poorest
countries



Roughly $\frac{1}{4}$ of the world's population, about 1.5 billion people lack access to electricity

1/6

of the global
population
lacks access to

clean, safe
drinking
water





**affordable,
appropriate and
sustainable technology**



**building the capacity
of local communities**





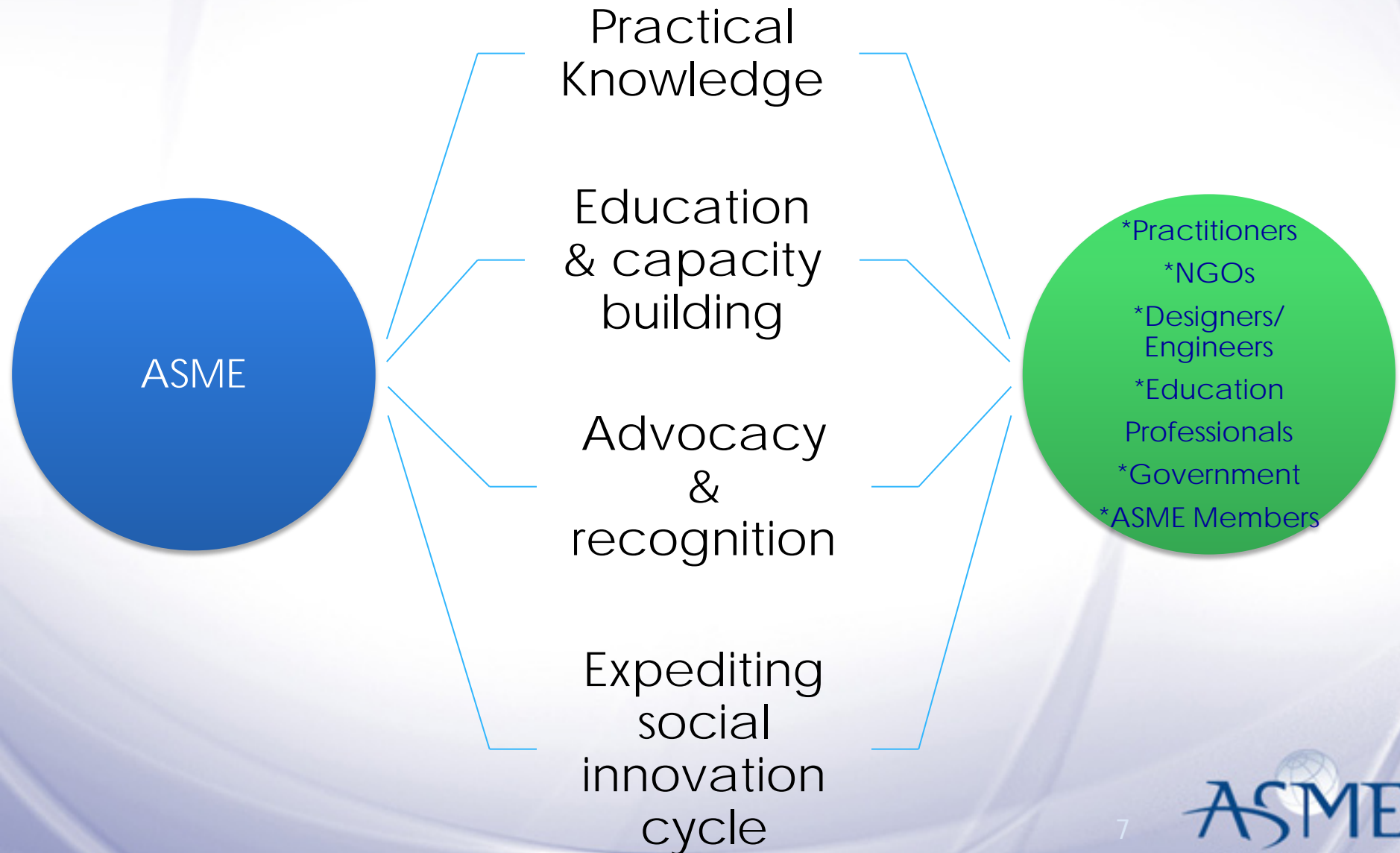
Innovation Gateways



- *Practitioners
- *NGOs
- *Designers/
Engineers
- *Education
Professionals
- *Government
- *ASME Members

Communities/
End-users

How Does ASME Fit?



EGD Capabilities

- Content that demonstrates impact

Knowledge Development

- Focused on technology research, development and transfer

Education and Capacity Building

- For the role of engineering in social innovation in policy making, industry and education

Public Policy, Information, Advocacy and Recognition

- Creating funding mechanisms and brokering relationships

Social Innovation Tech Development and Transfer

E4C features an open, innovative, user-friendly online platform that will promote



COMMUNITY



CONTENT

engineering FOR CHANGE

COLLABORATION

FOUNDING ORGANIZATIONS



E4C COALITION



SUPPORTERS

Solutions Library



SHARE

A free, open source archive of technology solutions from around the world that can be replicated and adapted across regions

William Kamkwamba stands on the windmill he made based on diagrams in a donated science book in his village in Malawi. His story has inspired countless people and shows the impact of a maker. Read the story

Photo: Tom Reilly

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...open source... The... many are open source... constitute E4C's endorsement. To find out more about the vetting process of any solution in the Library, please contact the contributing organization directly.

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Water

Energy

Health

Structures

Agriculture

Sanitation

Info Systems

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Gravity Fed Drinking Water

Contributed by: **Engineers Without Borders California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo (EWB-CP)** (Lead); **Faith International**

The goal of the Engineers Without Borders project in Mae Nam Khun, Thailand is to provide clean drinking water for

E4C Webinars



- broaden expertise
- build knowledge of new opportunities
- showcase how technology-based solutions
 - ▶ communications ▶ water ▶ energy
 - ▶ housing ▶ product development
 - ▶ navigating cross-cultural differences
 - ▶ and more

E4C News Plus

- Newsletter
- Blogosphere roundup
- Social media



Ten top fundraising platforms

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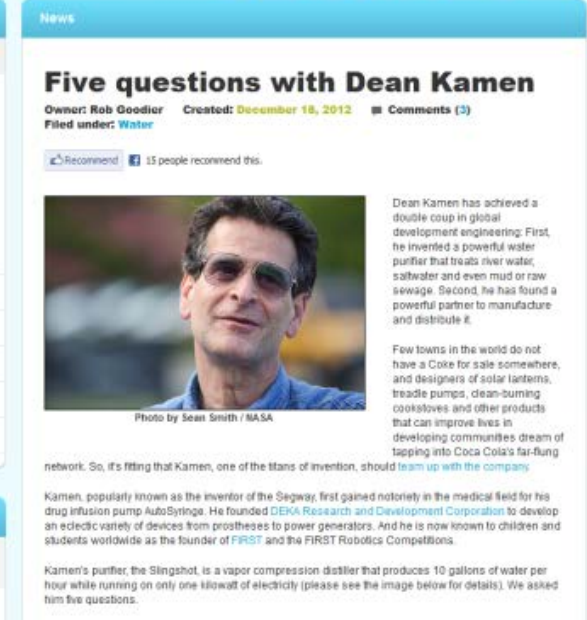
Convenient, online tools exist to help non-profits and social entrepreneurs raise money. We've compiled a list of ten reputable services that could work for organizations that focus on humanitarian technology and engineering for global development. Some of these are primarily fundraising platforms, while others are one-stop, full-service platforms that help with Web sites, newsletters, organizing members, and also fundraising. These are ten top online fundraising platforms.

Also, try these other money-raising resources at E4C:
[Humanitarian tech development grants roundup](#)
[Sustainable design contests and awards roundup](#)



Ammado.com
With offices in Sydney, New York, and other major cities, Ammodo is a leading fundraising platform. Non-profit individuals can sign up for a free profile and network of donors. And any individual can search for projects that interest them.

Why it appeals to E4C
The scope is international and project...



...I think it will be the people in emerging economies themselves

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— ASME's Global Development Review

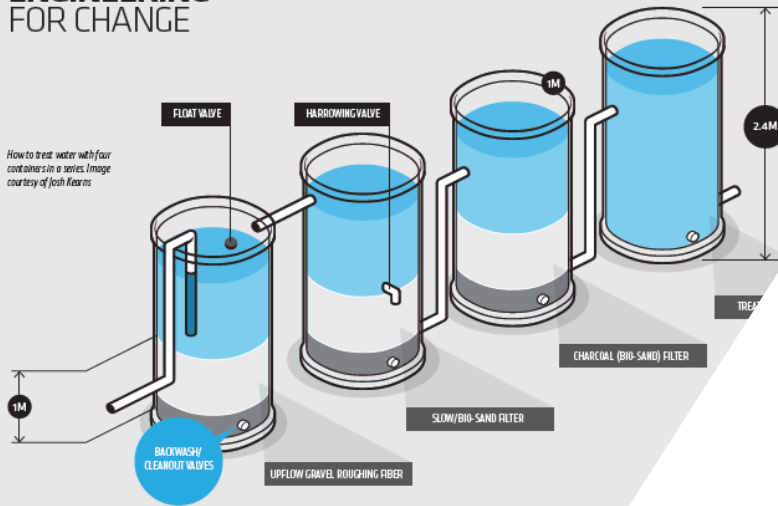


- Case studies
- Feature articles
- E4C articles
- Infographics
- Evidence-based engineering knowledge

MOVING FORWARD

ENGINEERING FOR CHANGE

How to treat water with four containers in a series. Image courtesy of Josh Kearns



An ancient filtration material removes pesticides from drinking water

BY ROB GOODIER

CHARCOAL MAY HAVE BEEN a part of water treatment for at least 4000 years, but can it remove modern synthetic pesticides from drinking water? Farmers in northern in Thailand, concerned about agricultural runoff, put the question to Josh Kearns, an environmental engineering doctoral candidate at the University of Colorado in Boulder and the science director at Aqueous Solutions, a non-profit water, sanitation and hygiene development organization.

"Farmers introduced me to the ancient tradition of using charcoal for water filtration and asked me, 'Will it work to remove pesticides?' I didn't know the answer, and searching the scientific literature revealed that, in fact, no one knows the answer," Kearns told E4C.

The answer, Kearns discovered, is that it can. But a lot depends on how you make the char-

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Charcoal removes impurities from water a process called adsorption, meaning the contaminants adhere to the charcoal surface. Because it is porous, however, water can flow through and permeate. That permeation is the better mechanism of absorption. Dropping the word "sorption," which is the process in traditional kilns, and in contrast, simply heating the waste that permeates the charcoal completely removes the contaminants as it releases the gas.

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Five questions with Sasha Kramer

SASHA KRAMER'S enthusiasm for recycling poop is contagious. After hearing from her, it's not hard to imagine the need to give your indoor bathroom a Stone-Age renovation. She developed EcoSan latrines that store human waste in removable 15-gallon drums for composting. Toilets that transform waste into compost are the key to healthy soils and sustainable living, Kramer says. In that case, maybe everyone's toilet should be a modified pit latrine?

Another key to sustainability is sanitation itself. Kramer promotes both, taking her message of back-end recycling (get it?) to camps and communities in Haiti that have no waste treatment systems in place at all. To carry out the work, Kramer co-founded the non-profit organization SOIL. Sustainable Organic Integrated Livelihoods. SOIL and its partners build and manage latrines, compost centers and vegetable gardens and they hold sanitation workshops in Port au Prince. For more on their important work, please see this video from Al Jazeera news.

THE FUTURE OF SISAL TWINE

Odundo has become something of a media sensation since he presented his decorticator at Maker Faire Africa in 2010. Since then, he became a TED Fellow in 2012. Moving forward, he has plans to improve the machines.

"I am looking forward to taking these technologies to the next higher levels by improving their efficiency, durability and aesthetics, and finally to do mass production of the machines to meet the demand that is currently rising every day," he says.

CELL PHONES ARE NOT TECHNICALLY URINE POWERED Recent headlines raised eyebrows at E4C when the University of Colorado Laboratory announced that it had charged a cell phone with urine power. Did anyone else imagine a world where an Indian small business owner holding up her dead Nokia and asking, "you want me to do what to this?" The headlines shows that these phones are not exactly urine powered, and the concept they are based on may be more of a marketing ploy than a viable alternative. The new device is a microbial fuel cell. It's a urine-powered variant in which microorganisms feed on the waste in urine and generate electricity. When stacked in a series, the fuel cells have generated power to charge a smartphone just enough to send text messages, browse the Web and make a brief call.

LEARN MORE AT: https://www.engineeringforchange.org/news/2013/08/01/these_cell_phones_are_not_technically_urine_powered.html



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Design Ethnography and Global Health Technologies

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Under Exploration

Engineering Fellowships with NGOs and Multilateral Organizations





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