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## SEANZ Standards and Accreditation program

SEANZ is currently implementing a standards and accreditation scheme for photovoltaics, small wind and micro-hydro. Recognized Standards will be adopted for design and installation. Designers and installers will be able to become SEANZ accredited, committing to working to these standards and providing a means for consumers to recognize a competent designer or installer. Currently there are few relevant standards for small-scale renewables in New Zealand and no means for consumers to identify a competent designer or installer. The SEANZ scheme will help to build customer confidence and ensure that all small scale renewable installations perform well and are safe.

### Design and installation standards

SEANZ will be adopting a number of standards for the design and installation of small scale renewables in New Zealand. Many standards have already been developed in Australia by the EL-42 committee. SEANZ is an active member of this committee and is working to implement these standards in New Zealand. These standards will become the benchmark for performance and safety for SEANZ accredited designers and installers.

### Accreditation for Designers and Installers

Once the accreditation scheme has been implemented SEANZ members can become accredited, providing a way for consumers to recognize competent professionals.

### Training

Training courses for designers and installers will be established to teach best practice and ensure that the standards are well understood.

### For more information on SEANZ Standards and Accreditation

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*Driving the growth of sustainable  
electricity generation in New Zealand*



SEANZ represents the interests of the small scale renewable energy / distributed generation (SSR/DG) industry in New Zealand including:

Photovoltaic (PV) – Unlimited

Wind turbines-up to 100kW per Unit

Hydro - up to 1MW



# Sustainable Electricity Association of New Zealand

SEANZ members include:

Generator-retailers, Lines companies, Energy technology manufacturers, Regional and District Councils, Consultants Tertiary organizations, Designers and Installers of (SSR) Systems and Consumers who are interested in supporting the growth of the industry

SEANZ is building capacity and capability for the growth of the industry through a range of initiatives in 2008 including:

- Developing a Standards and Accreditation Program (SAP) to raise the standard of SSR implementations in NZ
- SSR/DG Lobbying and Public Relations Campaign for Communication with all levels of government from relevant Ministers, select committees and government agencies
- Establishing SEANZ Professional Consultation Workshops

- Developing a Small Scale Renewable Strategy and Action Plan for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA)

- Informing Members through regular E-mail information updates and News letters
- Confidential data collection on SSR implementation in NZ to build the SSR/DG case for Government
- Developing a new SEANZ website as an industry focal point for SSR/DG stake holders and members document resource centre
- Providing and facilitating business opportunities for NZ and Overseas RE Companies via SEANZ information E-mail updates
- Establishing a SEANZ Technical Committee.

- Annual SEANZ Conferences and AGM
- Annual SEANZ Awards for recognition of Achievement in the SSR industry



Jeni Wood  
Smart Energy Ltd  
Timaru,

Winner : "largest off-grid PV installation in NZ for 2007"

SEANZ Conference 2007