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WORLD BANK AWARDS PRIZE TO SOLAR POWERED LED LIGHT

LEMNIS LIGHTING RECEIVES \$200.000 GRANT TO ROLL OUT PROJECT IN RWANDA

The Dutch company Lemnis Lighting has been announced as a winner of the "The Lighting Africa Development Marketplace Competition 2008". The prize was presented during the 'Lighting Africa Conference 2008' that took place of 5-8 May in Accra, Ghana.

Solar powered LED light

Lighting Africa is a World Bank Group initiative aimed at providing up to 250 million people in Sub-Saharan Africa with access to non-fossil fuel based, low cost, safe, and reliable lighting products with associated basic energy services by the year 2030. The competition has been won with a solar powered LED light. A small flexible solar cell produced by the English company G24 Innovations has been combined with the innovative LED technology of LED lighting manufacturer Lemnis Lighting. The entry of Lemnis Lighting and G24 Innovations distinguished itself from the rest by its good design, the use of innovative technology and the cooperation between the two commercial parties.

200 competitors took part in the contest, 40 reached the final and Lemnis Lighting and G24 Innovations eventually won. Lemnis Lighting and G24 Innovations receive a \$200.000 grant to further develop the light and to set up large scale distribution in Rwanda. Aim is to start the distribution of 25.000 lights in Rwanda first. If successful, it can be introduced rapidly in other parts of Africa and other developing countries.

Lemnis Lighting

Lemnis Lighting, a subsidiary of Tendris Holding, was launched in 2005. Built upon the core mission of energy efficiency, Lemnis brings LED enhanced lighting – the future of lighting technology – to homes, offices and cities to significantly reduce carbon footprint. Lemnis Lighting was founded by two great-grandsons of Anton Philips, the founder of Philips Electronics and is based in San Francisco and 's-Hertogenbosch.

G24 Innovations

G24 Innovations (G24i) is a UK company that is personalising solar energy for the global community. It is the world's first company to produce commercial grade Dye-Sensitised Thin Film solar cells. Dye-Sensitised Thin Film cells do not contain silicon, are extremely lightweight and durable and produce electricity in low-light and even indoor conditions. Combined with the fact that G24i's proprietary roll-to-roll manufacturing process accommodates large volume production, G24i believes that the technology makes solar a viable energy option for a range of new geographies and industries.

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