NEWSLETTER 02/2025

July – September 2025

In the third quarter of 2025, ANSOLE e.V. has remained dynamically active — locally and globally.

On the international front, we launched the ANSOLE E-Connect platform, co-organized the lst Asia–Africa Joint PV Symposium in Daejeon, Korea and hosted an ANSOLE-WAITRO session at the Science Summit during the 80th United Nations General Assembly (SSUNGA80).

At a local level, we published our first Students Issue of the MIGRANTh Magazine, exploring migration, identity, and student life. We continued our migrant support and educational programs, actively participated at third party events, and organised intercultural activities. ANSOLE offered internships to more than 10 migrant students from the Universities of Erfurt and Jena, thus actively contributing in advancing and facilitating the higher education sector in Thuringia.



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ANSOLE'S SUPPORT TO DR. NADIA HILARY DJOUKOUO DASSI

Dr. Nadia Hilary Djoukouo Dassi was awarded a LANG-ANSOLE Sur-Place Grant to complete the experimental work for her thesis entitled:
"Study of the Valorization of Plastic Waste by Non-Catalytic Pyrolysis: Case Studies of Some Agricultural Plastic Waste."
During the course of her PhD studies at the Faculty of Agronomy and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Dschang (Cameroon), Dr. Dassi received as from 2022 valuable mentorship from Prof. Daniel A. M. Egbe, CEO of ANSOLE e.V. Prof. Egbe secured her a LANG-ANSOLE Sur-Place Scholarship to help her finalize the experimental part of her thesis. At this point we extend our heartfelt thanks to Prof. Emeritus Reinhold Wolfgang Lang of Johannes Kepler University, Austria, for generously providing this grant.





Prof. Lang during the launching of the BALEWARE Platform in December 2016 in Arusha, Tanzania

Dr. Nadia defended her PhD in the last quarter of 2024 and received in July 2025 the prize for the best PhD thesis of the 2024/2025 academic year of University of Dschang.
Today, Dr. Nadia continues her professional journey in Paris, France, where she works with the Réseau Cicle, contributing her expertise to advancing sustainable solutions in waste management and resource valorization.



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En reconnaissance de la qualité remarquable de la Thèse de Doctorat/Ph.D appréciée par le jury compétent,
In acknowledgement of the remarkable quality of the Ph.D Thesis appreciated by the competent jury,
l'Université de Dschang décerne à **DJOUKOUO DASSI Nadia Hillary**
the University of Dschang presents to
dont la thèse porte sur le thème : *Étude de la valorisation par pyrolyse thermique des déchets plastiques agricoles*
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En foi de quoi la présente distinction lui est délivrée pour servir et valoir ce que de droit.
This distinction is presented to serve any purpose for which it is intended.

Prof. Robert TSAFACK NANFOSSO





ANSOLE E-CONNECT COLLABORATION PLATFORM

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On 27 July 2025, ANSOLE e.V. signed a contract with the Impulsouth Community of Practice (CoP) for a grant project aimed at developing a collaborative research hub ANSOLE E-CONNECT. Funded by Impulsouth and Fundación Avina, and aligned with ANSOLE's UN Energy Compact, this initiative marks a significant step in advancing research and innovation for a sustainable energy future in Africa. This project initially brings together researchers and stakeholders from Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Madagascar, Uganda, and Zambia, with a focus on energy transition and gender-just approaches. This pilot project will be extended to other African countries and beyond.





ANSOLE E-Connect team: Sabrina Zearott (Leader), Tyson Green, Nnenna Ebem and Prof. Daniel Egbe.

ANSOLE E-CONNECT is designed as an easy-to-access online directory and networking platform that connects researchers, innovators, and industry members across Africa. This is inline with the ANSOLE UN Energy Compact: https://shorturl.at/wOs8q

It allows members to:

- Share their research and innovations,
- Access information about instrumentation and facilities, and
- Collaborate on joint projects in the field of clean energy and climate action.

The ultimate goal of ANSOLE E-CONNECT is to contribute toward achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7: universal access to affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy. By fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, and cross-border partnerships, the platform strengthens Africa's research capacity and empowers local actors to play a central role in shaping the continent's clean energy future.



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ANSOLE AS AN EDUCATIONAL PLATFORM FOR MIGRANT STUDENTS IN THURINGIA

Beyond our work in advancing sustainable energy and documenting migrants' experiences through our magazine MIGRANTh (migranth.de), ANSOLE e.V. has also become an important educational platform for migrant students in Thuringia. ANSOLE has welcomed a lot of interns from the Universities of Erfurt and Jena to our organisation and this year alone, we have received more than 10 students for internships, offering them hands-on experience, mentorship, and exposure to international cooperation in the energy and climate space and our local activities.





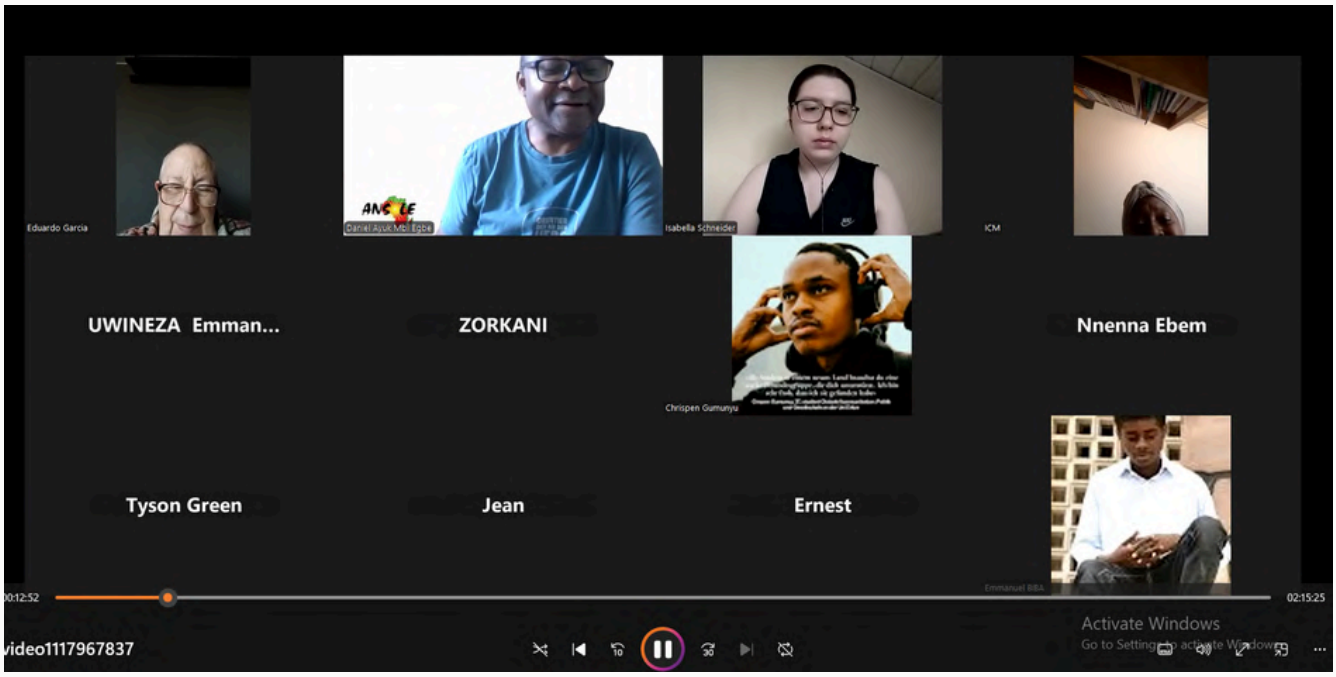
Through these opportunities, ANSOLE supports students not only in their professional development but also in their educational journeys, helping them build skills, networks, and confidence to succeed in academia and beyond. This commitment reflects ANSOLE's broader mission of promoting education, inclusion, and empowerment within the local and international community.



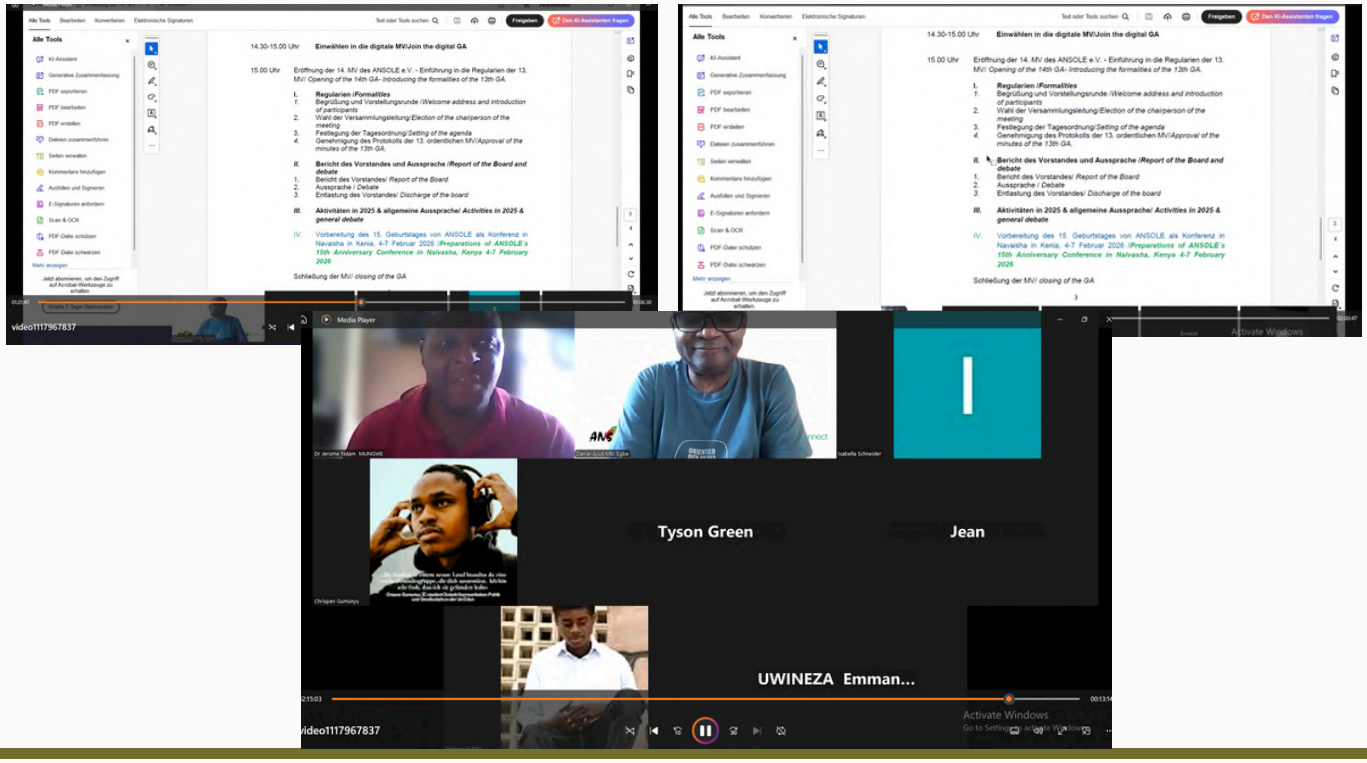


ANSOLE ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING 2025

ANSOLE e.V. held on August 16th its Annual General Assembly Meeting 2025, bringing together members to review the organization's progress and plan for the future. The meeting featured presentations on activities and achievements from the previous year, including international partnerships, research collaborations, and community initiatives.



Members also discussed upcoming projects and strategic priorities for the next phase, focusing on expanding research networks, strengthening educational programs, and enhancing engagement with migrant and energy transition communities.



ANSOLE AT MIGRANETZ'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

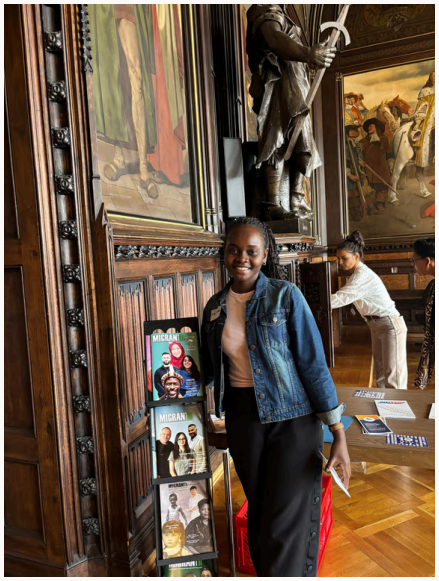
On 23rd of August 2025, MigraNetz Thüringen e.V. celebrated its 10th anniversary, marking a decade of impactful work in championing the political, economic, social, and cultural interests of migrant organisations across Thuringia, Germany. Since its establishment in 2015, MigraNetz has grown to represent over 70 migrant organisations as well as various municipal migration, integration, and foreigners' advisory councils in the region.



ANSOLE e.V., as a proud founding member, actively participated in this milestone event. The celebration was highlighted by a documentary film depicting the main founders of MigraNetz. ANSOLE used the opportunity to present the various issues of our MIGRANTh magazine. ANSOLE CEO was accompanied by an intern, Jean Banda, who had the opportunity to learn about the landscape of migrant associations in Thuringia.

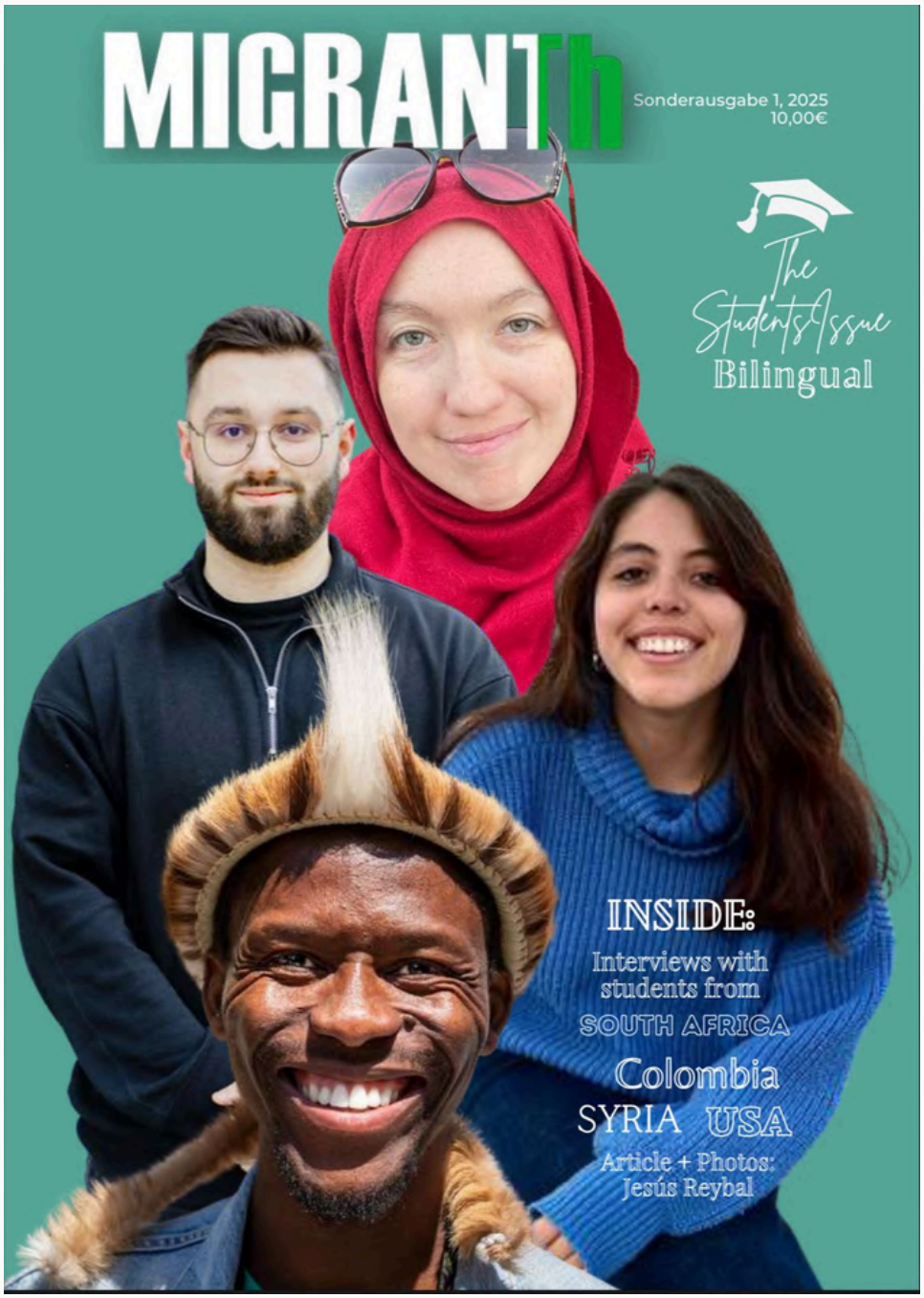






FIRST EDITION OF THE STUDENTS ISSUE OF THE MIGRANTh MAGAZINE

On August 25th, ANSOLE published the first edition of the students issue of MIGRANTh magazine. The theme of this issue is the experiences of migrant, visiting, foreign and international students studying and living in Thuringia.



This maiden issue shines a light on the diverse voices shaping our academic and cultural community. The students shared their experiences on various topics such as culture, identity, family migration history and student life in Germany. You can read the issue here: https://migranth.de/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/ONLINE-MIGRANTh-Student-Bilingual-Issue_compressed.pdf

ANSOLE PARTICIPATES AT THE BUNT ! LAUT! KÄMPFERISCH!OPEN AIR EVENT: 29 AUGUST 2025.

ANSOLE e.V. participated in the BUNT! LAUT! KÄMPFERISCH! Open Air event held at the theater forecourt in Jena under the motto “Colourful! Loud! Combative!” aimed to strengthen connections between local and national civil society initiatives and promote active citizen engagement in defending democracy and diversity.







ANSOLE’s team made up of Co-workers, Volunteers and Interns were all present during the event.







ANSOLE had a booth at the event where we displayed our various issues of the MIGRANTh magazine and African products.

ANSOLE AT THE 1ST ASIA-AFRICA (A2) JOINT PV SYMPOSIUM & 3RD KOREA-SINGAPORE JOINT PV SYMPOSIUM

1st to 3rd September 2025

ANSOLE had a high level participation at the 1st Asia-Africa (A^2) Joint PV Symposium at Daejeon, Korea. Our CEO Prof. Daniel Egbe delivered the Keynote Address: "African Network for Solar Energy: Promoting Research and Capacity Building in Renewable Energy in Africa and Beyond".



Beyond the keynote, ANSOLE played a huge role in facilitating the participation of other African representatives ensuring Africa's voice was well represented.





Our CEO also presented our MIGRANTh magazine to the participants.
We also forged meaningful connections that will strengthen collaboration in renewable energy across continents.



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The participants also had a technical site visit to the Center for Advanced Solar PV Technology (CAST).





The conference also had a special session dedicated to women in PV highlighting the vital role of women in driving research, innovation, and leadership in the renewable energy sector.



ANSOLE AT THE ANNUAL RECEPTION OF DIE LINKE

9th September

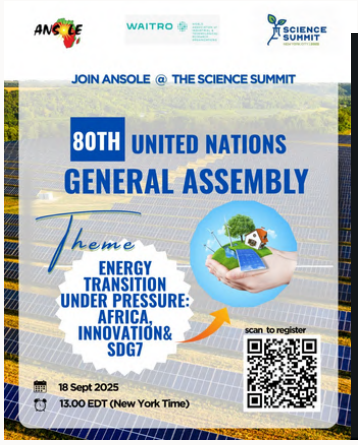
ANSOLE participated in the annual DIE LINKE reception at the Thuringian State Parliament on the evening of 9 September, by invitation. Assumpta Ezeh, a member of our board, represented the organisation. She had the opportunity to present the activities of ANSOLE to parliamentarians of DIE LINKE and other invitees during their exchanges.

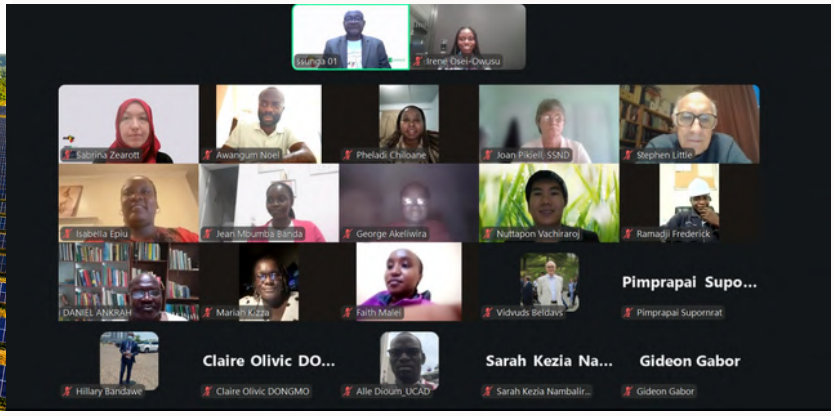


ANSOLE's board member, Assumpta Ezeh, representing the association at the annual reception

ANSOLE-WAITRO SESSION AT SCIENCE SUMMIT OF 80TH UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY (SSUNGA80)

As part of the Science Summit at the 80th United Nations General Assembly (SSUNGA80), ANSOLE, in collaboration with WAITRO, organized a side session titled "Energy Transition Under Pressure: Africa, Innovation & SDG 7".

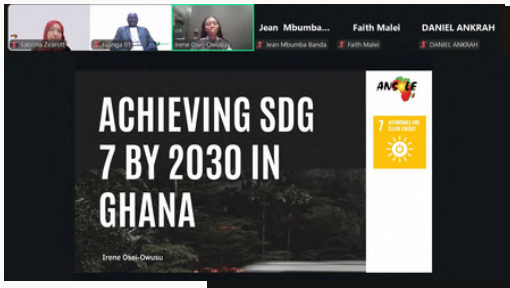




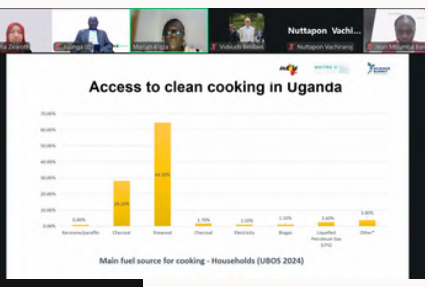


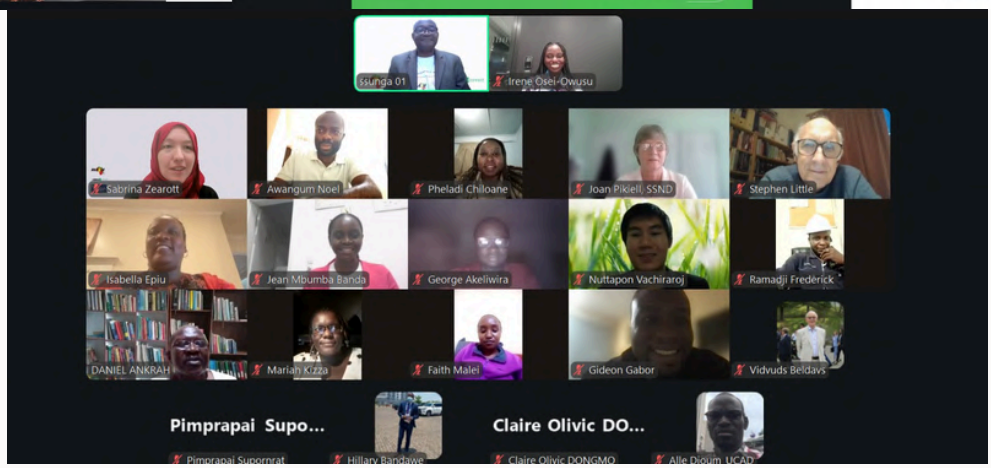
The session brought together experts, researchers, and innovators to discuss practical pathways for accelerating sustainable energy in Africa. Key highlights included:

- Prof. Daniel Ayuk Mbi Egbe, CEO of ANSOLE, opened with a welcome address and presentation of ANSOLE's mission and work.
- Topics ranged from microalgae as sustainable resources, the ANSOLE E-CONNECT platform, and the BRIDGE initiative for AI in rural Africa, to case studies on clean cooking technologies in Uganda, solar-powered water systems in informal settlements, and insights into energy realities in Malawi and progress toward SDG 7 in Ghana.





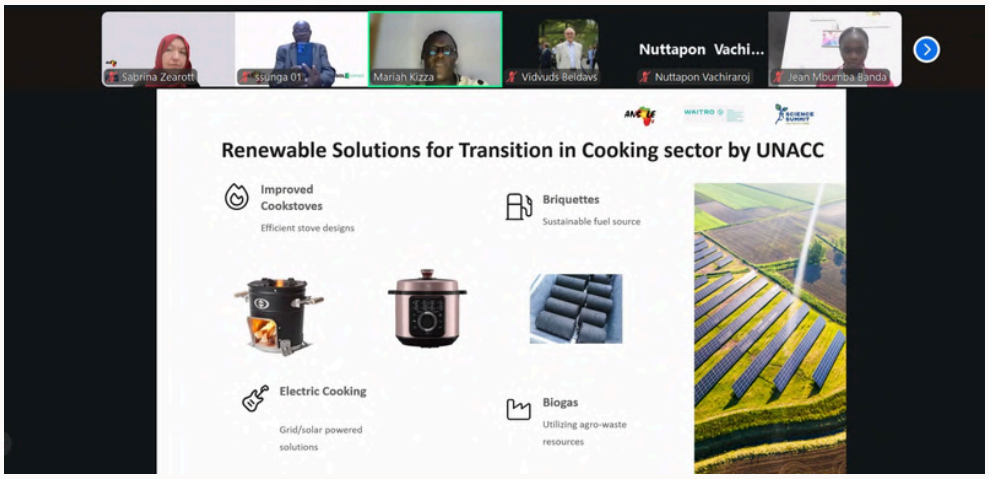


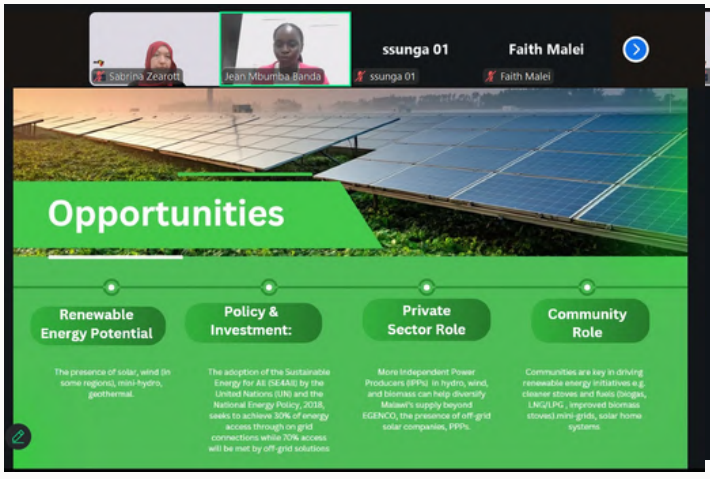


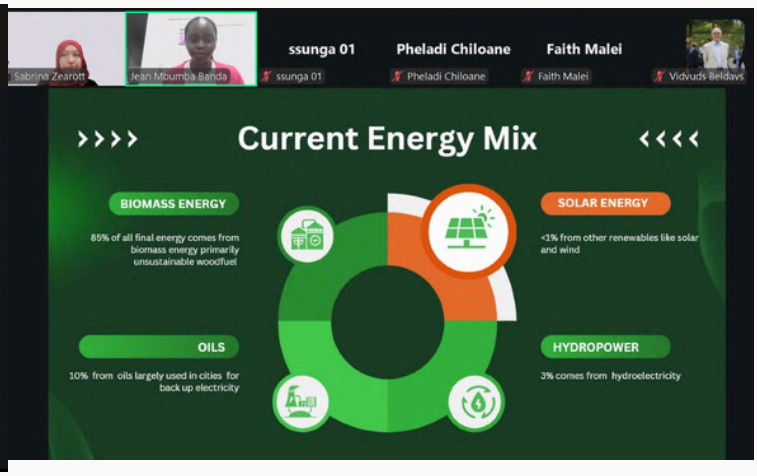
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Key takeaways from the session include:

1. Promoting local innovation is critical – SMEs and grassroots are important actors in advancing energy access in Africa.
2.Global collaborations: – Partnerships across regions can accelerate sustainable energy solutions through inclusive financial frameworks.
3.Science-policy bridges are essential – Research and innovation should directly inform policy and investment strategies that can be easily replicated.
4.The session reinforced that achieving SDG 7 by 2030 requires urgency, inclusivity, and regional cooperation.







The report on the Science Summit was prepared by Jean Mbumba Banda.

FILM & TANZ – MIGRATION PANEL IN ERFURT

On 19 September 2025, our CEO, Prof. Daniel Egbe participated in the Film & Tanz event held in Erfurt, which featured a film and a panel discussion on migration in Thuringia. The event brought together diverse voices to share experiences, perspectives, and challenges surrounding migration, integration, and cultural identity in the region.





ANSOLE's participation contributed to the dialogue on inclusion and intercultural understanding, aligning with its ongoing commitment to supporting migrant engagement and community development in Thuringia.

ANSOLE END-OF-SUMMER GRILL PARTY

A small space, big impact

To celebrate the end of summer and foster community spirit, ANSOLE e.V. hosted a lively End-of-Summer Grill Party on 20 September. The event brought together members, families, friends, and partners for an afternoon filled with good food, music, and laughter. This year's celebration also coincided with International Children's Day, making it even more special, as children enjoyed creative activities, games, and a colorful, festive atmosphere that reflected the warmth and diversity of the ANSOLE community.









INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

A small space, big impact

A special children's corner was set up, a colorful space with paints, masks, and balloons creating a lively and welcoming atmosphere for the youngest guests. What began with two children from Syria soon grew into a diverse group, joined by children from Afghanistan and African families, reflecting the rich multicultural spirit of our community.

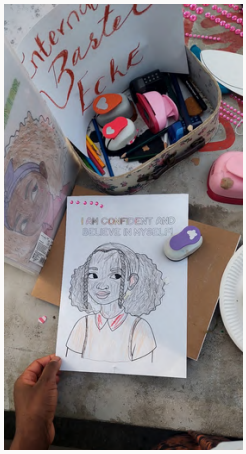






I quickly realized: language was not crucial here. The children connected through creativity, while the parents engaged in conversation, laughed together, and shared food.What started as a simple crafting session turned into a place where we learned, shared, and lived together without many words, but with a lot of warmth. That, to me, is what community is all about. The children's programme was planned

By Jacqueline Muthumbi





ERITREAN-ETHIOPIAN NEW YEAR 2018 CELEBRATION

On 27th September 2025, ANSOLE e.V. joined members and friends of the community in celebrating the Eritrean–Ethiopian New Year 2018, a joyful occasion that highlights cultural unity, renewal, and shared traditions.



The event was made even more special with the celebration of the 9th birthday of a young girl, adding warmth and happiness to the gathering.

It was a beautiful moment of togetherness, filled with laughter, music, and cultural exchange—reflecting ANSOLE's ongoing commitment to diversity, inclusion, and community celebration.



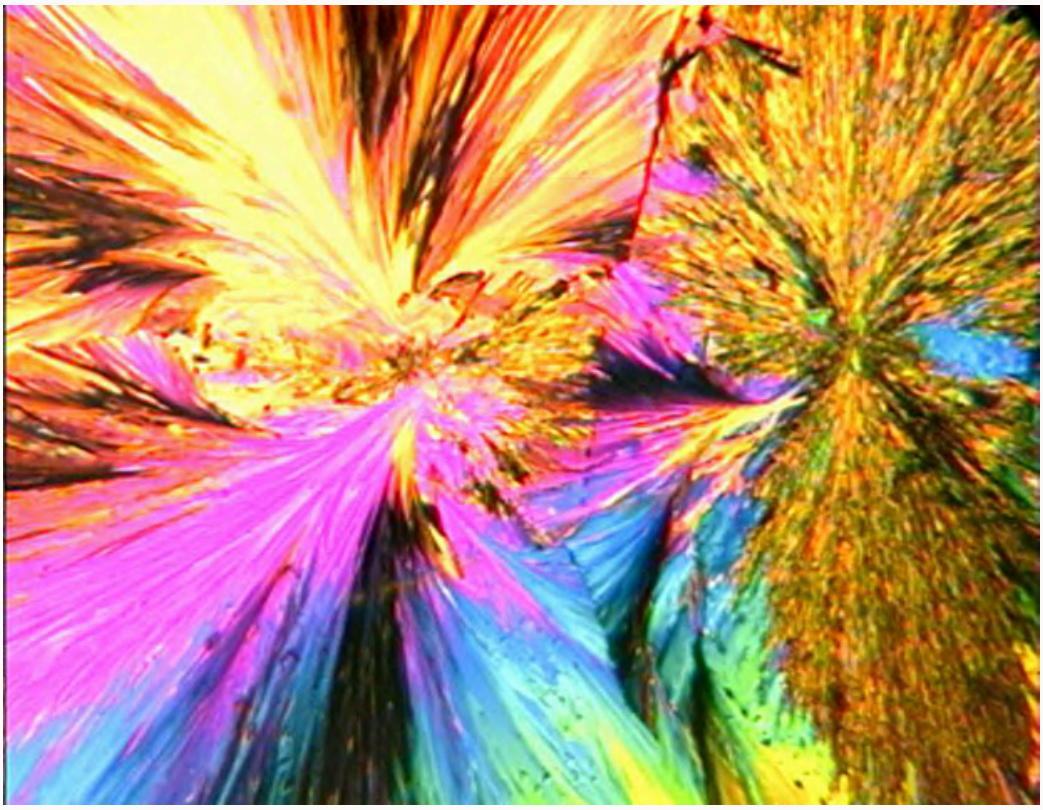




EVENT IN OCTOBER

1. Exhibition: Science Meets Art – "What Do I See?"

Opening: October 16, 2025, at 7 p.m.
Exhibition period: October 16 - 31, 2025
Venue: Galerie Jena e.V. (JenArt e.V.), Spitzweidenweg 28, 07743 Jena
Exhibitor: Prof. Dr. Daniel Ayuk Mbi Egbe, Chair person of ANSOLE e.V. Jena; Visiting Scientist at Johannes Kepler University Linz, Austria and Honorary Professor of Organic Chemistry, College of Science and Technology, University of Rwanda, Kigali, Rwanda.



The exhibition presents images that have emerged from research on organic semiconducting materials, most of which display liquid-crystalline properties. These materials find application in photovoltaics - one of the core areas of ANSOLE e.V.'s activities. The images were produced during Prof. Egbe's scientific work at Friedrich Schiller University Jena (2003–2005), Chemnitz University of Technology (2007–2008), and Johannes Kepler University Linz (2011–2015).
They are either laboratory photographs or micrographs obtained through polarized light microscopy following the thermal treatment of the photoactive substances (slow heating, followed by gradual cooling). The exhibition presents only a small selection of over 1,000 captured images.
"What Do I See?" is largely influenced by the images stored in one's memory. Visitors are invited to write down what they perceive. The collected perspectives and impressions will be analyzed and published in a future issue of MIGRANTh (www.migranth.de).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- African Christmas Party in December (Date to be announced!)
- ANSOLE 15th Anniversary Conference: 4th - 7th February 2026; Naivasha, Kenya.
- TEA@SUNRISE Network Symposium in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, January 2026
- World Conference on Photovoltaic Energy Conversion (WCPEC-9), Daejeon, Korea, November 2026

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