ISHACK

A social enterprise to enable people living in slums to access sustainable off-grid solar infrastructure and shack dwelling upgrades

Andreas Keller left a career in the hedge fund industry to follow an ambition to help create a more sustainable and safer future for people living in the slums of South Africa.With a keen interest in alleviating energy poverty, while studying for a Masters in Sustainable Development from the University of Stellenbosch, Andreas thought up the idea of an â€˜improved shackâ€™, better known as the iShack, to provide affordable, ecologically designed structures built from recycled materials that boast incrementally scalable and grid-integrateable solar technology.

He is now based at the Sustainability Institute in Stellenbosch, where he is working with a team of slum dwellers, activist scholars and professionals, to develop a social enterprise enabling those living in slums to access sustainable off-grid solar infrastructure and shack dwelling upgrades.

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