

ADAP Newsletter - December 2018

As we wrap up a successful year for ADAP, we would like to wish everyone a joyous and peaceful holiday season, wherever you may be. We are grateful for your support and partnership as we work together to eradicate extreme poverty.

ADAP will be hosting a series of "road show" events in different cities in early 2019, and we hope to connect with many of you in person at one of these events – details to come. Here's to a great year ahead!

- Andy Lower and Dan Luscher

ADAP update



ADAP Deal Room @ SOCAP18

We had another successful ADAP Deal Room at SOCAP18 in October in San Francisco. After getting to know [seven companies](#), we agreed to deal terms with founders **Ugwem Eneyo** and **Cole Stites-Clayton** of **Solstice Energy Solutions**. Solstice is improving energy management in Nigeria.



Opportunity Collaboration Breakfast Series

We were pleased to host our inaugural breakfast series at Opportunity Collaboration in October, partnering with John Berger of Tonic to share some of the best practices from the ADAP Advisory curriculum.

ADAP companies and partners in the news



Neopenda CEO **Sona Shah** pitched in an episode of the Shark Tank-style show [Meet the Drapers](#). Thanks to the hard work of Sona and co-founder **Teresa Cauvel**, Neopenda will soon be wrapping up a very successful [equity crowdfunding campaign](#) on the Republic platform.



Drinkwell was selected to receive support from the [TRANSFORM joint initiative in Bangladesh](#), sponsored by Unilever in partnership with UK's Department for International Development (DFID). Well done, Drinkwell CEO **Minhaj Chowdhury**!



Kudos to **Galen Welsch**, ADAP Guidance Council member whose [blog post](#) about power and empowerment was selected as [one of NextBillion's most influential posts](#) of 2018. Read it and vote for it if you haven't already done so!