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# Decentralized Renewable Energy Solutions for an Inclusive and Sustainable Development in East Africa

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# **Decentralized Renewable Energy Solutions for an Inclusive and Sustainable Development in East Africa**

**Movenpick Hotel, Nairobi / 8.30 am - 1.00 pm EAT**

## **Panel Discussion 1: Enabling access to electricity with mini-grids** **9.30 am - 10.30 am EAT**



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Panelist  
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Moderated by  
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# Africa Minigrid Developers Association

General Presentation

Decentralized Renewable Energies Seminar

Kennedy Omutanyi  
November 28, 2022

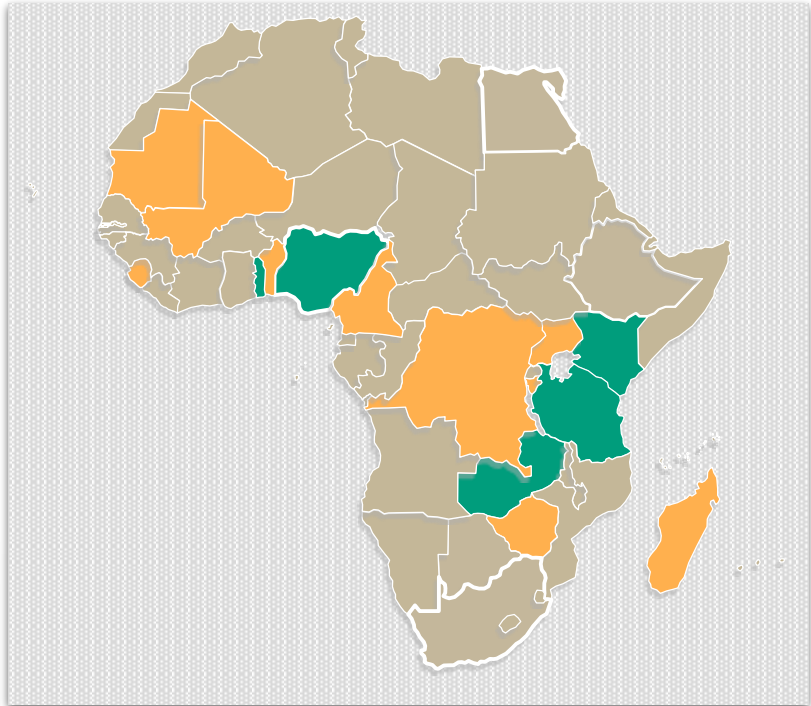
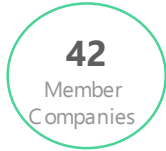
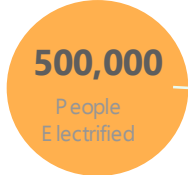
## ABOUT US



# Who We Are

AMDA was created by minigrad developers to boost the health of the sector and deliver on global renewable energy access objectives

AMDA blends the characteristics of an industry association, think-tank, and expert advisory firm into a single entity designed to help governments, donors, and investors grasp the intricacies needed to scale the minigrad sector.



### 01. Our Vision

Ending energy poverty across the African Continent by building the PPP's with governments to ensure a robust blend of energy services that leverage operational and financial experience of the private sector to develop energy services. The transition from a unidirectional energy network to a dynamic decentralized and interconnected networks where smaller-scale networks can operate largely autonomously while retaining the ability to tap into a broader network to tap additional power or sell excess power.

### 02. Our Mission

Ensure that minigrads are utilized effectively by governments and donors and that the policy and financing environment supports the radical scale of minigrads. We leverage private capital and efficiency to electrify Africa.

## Our mission and vision are accomplished through 3 workstreams:



### Access to Finance

This includes serving as the voice of the Minigrad development industry in Africa to promote the growth and sustainable development of the mini-grid sector and act as a unified focal point for stakeholders to engage the sector and for capital deployment.

### Policy & Regulation

We collaborate with industry, policy-makers, government authorities, donors, and other stakeholders to advocate for optimal policies that will benefit the mini-grid sector and the people it serves

### Data & Research

We provide a platform that enables transparency in industry performance through comprehensive market data and analytics in order to establish, evaluate and promote key financial, business and policy solutions to overcoming the major barriers to the sector growth.



## WHO WE ARE

# Breaking Down Barriers



AMDA blends **an industry association, think tank, and expert advisory firm** to help governments, donors, and investors better understand how to support the sector to scale.



AMDA's unique positioning allows research to be informed by the private sector, grounding it in the realities of industry needs.



AMDA's work ensures investors and policy makers have access to, and are using, robust and accurate evidence to create policy / regulatory environments and appropriately invest in the sector that ensures we reach SDG7

**Every element of AMDA's work is focused on enabling others to do their work better, faster, and cheaper. From investors, minigrad companies and donors, to policymakers and their advisors.**

- Designing / advising Universal Energy Facility
- Working to build out first DFI debt and guarantee facilities

- Annual sector benchmarking & insights
- Comparative costs of grid vs. mini-grid
- Sector role in community economic growth

Data & Research

Financing the Sector

Policy & Advocacy

- National advocacy via chapter coordinators
- Thought leadership: turning data and member experience into expert guidance
- Ensures learnings from early markets are applied to avoid pitfalls





# AMDA's pivotal role in driving collaboration and scale



## Consensus building and coordination



Collaboration with international institutions to build consensus on key factors effecting scale



Recommending and designing solutions to address issues for scale



National Government Partnerships to support collaboration between Private Sector and Government



## Building financing facilities that are fit for Purpose



Co-Design of the UEF



Co-Design of Tariff Buy-down



Advisory role to key investment institutions for securitization and grant structures



## Data and research for transparency and market insights



Benchmarking African Minigrids

AMDA data is central to information key institutions



## Developing conducive regulations for scale

Advisory role developing and revising national regulations

Thought leadership in moving regulations from pilot to scale

Deep knowledge on operating environments and implementation issues restricting scale and investment



# CADMUS







THE PROBLEM

# In 2030, 80% of the Unelectrified will be African

UN Member States adopt 2030 Agenda & Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), 12 of which are dependent on energy as a prerequisite

840 million people globally without energy access – *business as usual* will NOT close the gap

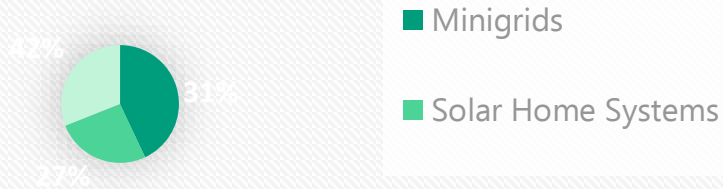
Without increased efforts, 691 million people will still live without electricity

2015

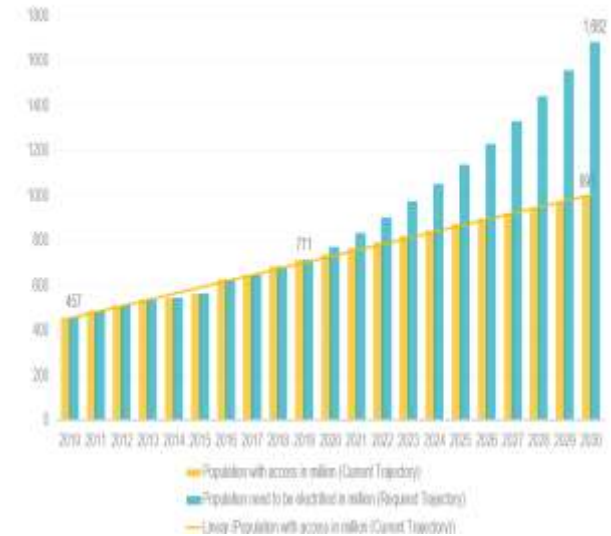
2020

2030

## IEA Projections Least Cost Electrification



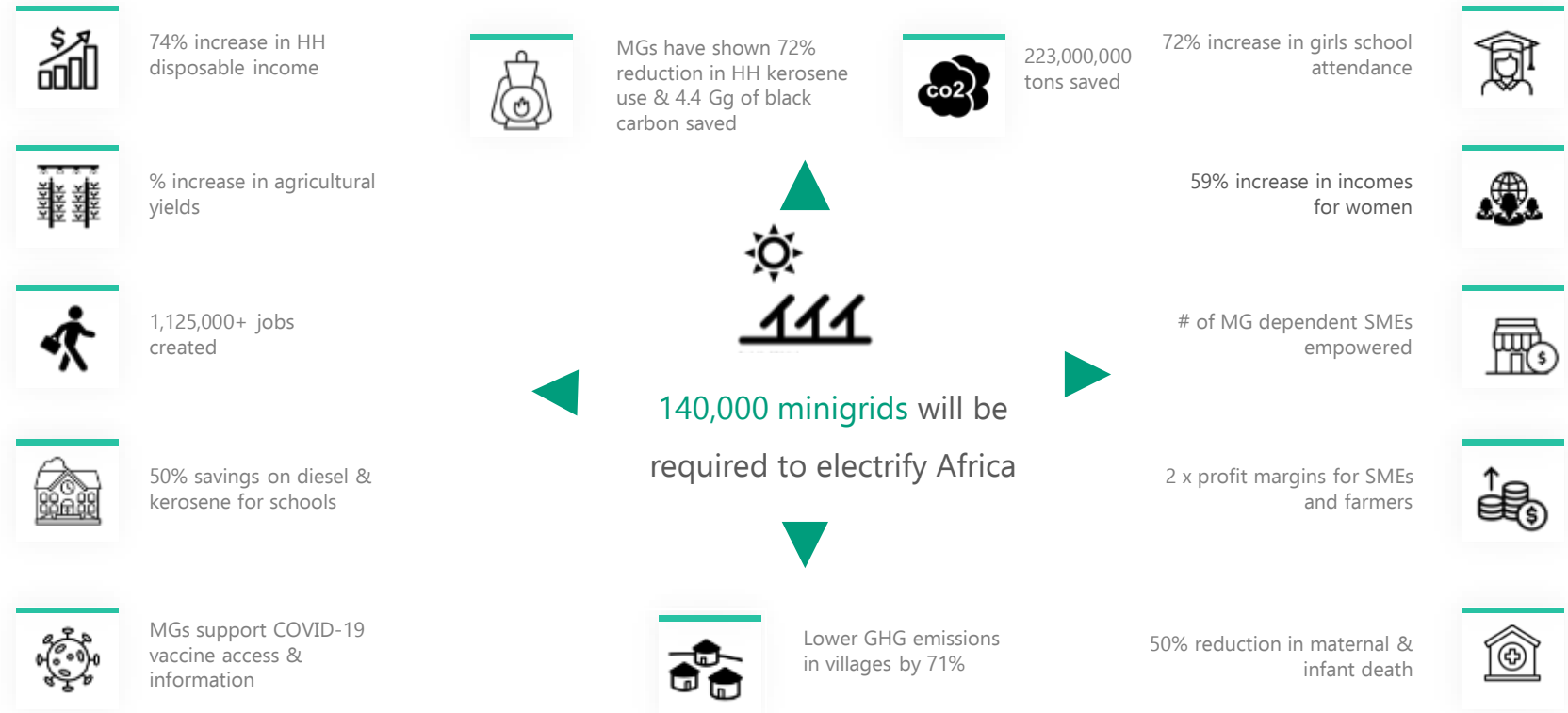
Current trend trajectory vs required trajectory to achieve electricity access, million



691 million people estimated unelectrified in Africa in 2030

DATA SOURCE: WORLD BANK / ESMAP Tracking SDG7 Database, 2021; World Bank Population estimate; SEforAll analysis

# Minigrids, The Environment, & Impact



# Key Issues

- 1. Current regulatory structures are not appropriately designed for decentralised infrastructure and will not allow the sector to deploy quickly enough to achieve universal energy access on any reasonable timeline. Dramatic simplification and shortening of licensing timelines, as well as bulk licensing of portfolios rather than individual sites is urgently needed.
- 2. Concessional capital commitments are not being honoured / deployed. Only \$10 million of donor money was disbursed to developers in 2020. This is a slow trickle that is inhibiting growth and doesn't align with global objectives to develop renewable and resilient energy systems for universal electrification.
- 3. Billions of dollars continue to be poured into parastatal utilities that are failing to deliver quality services, yet minigrids which are outperforming utilities on service, connection rates and costs remain marginalized. This disparity is a major reason why the previous two points are problems, and is also completely solvable. If commitments to universal energy access are real, this must change quickly and dramatically.

# Overview East Africa

## Sites in the Region

Country	Total sites	Number of developers	Year of first site	Year of latest site
Democratic Republic of Congo	6	3	2017	2021
Kenya	145	6	2013	2021
Uganda	8	2	2021	2021
Tanzania	76	7	2012	2020

# % Electrification Rates, 2020

Country	Rate
Zambia	44.5
Rwanda	46.6
Kenya	71.4
Ethiopia	51.1
Eritrea	52.2
Congo, Dem. Rep.	19.1
Burundi	11.7
Uganda	42.1
Tanzania	39.9
Sudan	55.4
South Sudan	7.2



MINIGRIDS

# Essential Part of the Energy Ecosystem

Minigrids provide commercial and industrial quality energy to remote, marginalized areas much more quickly and affordably other options.



	SHS	Mini-grids	National Utility
<b>Electricity Delivered</b>	DC	AC	AC
<b>Capex / Connection</b>	\$100 – 400	\$700 – 1,200	\$2,000 – 5,000
<b>Installation Time</b>	✓	✓	✗
<b>Reliability</b>	✓	✓	✗
<b>Service Level</b>	✗ Only Low-Power DC Devices	✓ 97% uptime	✓ 50%-89% uptime
<b>Energy Cost</b>	✗ >\$4.00 per kWh	✓ \$0.20-\$1.00 per kWh	✓ \$0.15-\$0.70 per kWh
<b>Main Grid Integration</b>	✗ Not Possible	✓	N/A
<b>Convergent with Global Future Power System</b>	✗ No clear path to convergence with global system	✓ Mini-grids are building blocks of future grid	✗ Grid of the 20 <sup>th</sup> century, not 21 <sup>st</sup>

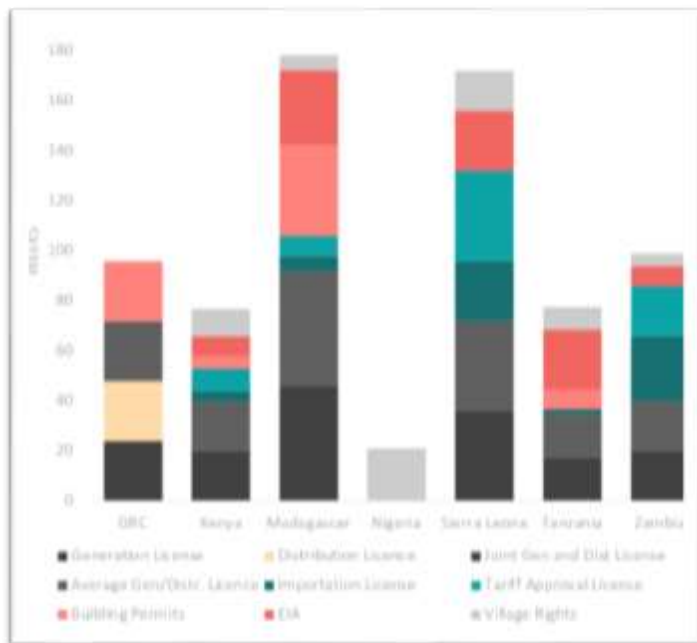
# Regulatory Differences in East Africa

- Regulations in the region are mostly based on private sector market approaches, except for DRC that is mostly deploying metro grids on public private partnership ( top down-market approach) .
- Most of the countries within the region have Minigrid regulations at different stages of development and implementation: Kenya-ready for gazettelement, Zambia: Aligning Electricity and minigrids acts, Uganda: Minigrids legislation drafted.



## THE PROBLEM

# Policy and Regulation



The average time to get through regulatory compliance is 54 consecutive weeks for a single minigrid site



Minigrid regulations and financing were explicitly designed to force the consumer to bare the full price burden for electricity – This is NOT politically viable



Regulatory Compliance costs between 5%-8% of total CAPEX Costs, and their current structure does NOT de-risk investments – in fact they increase risk for commercial investors



Regulators that do not have sufficient funding, resources, or logistical infrastructure to visit and approve minigrids at scale



Donors and TA providers that are focused on 'having' regulations but not thinking about how these regulations could be implemented or if they can leverage the right kind of finance into the market





## Addressing the Policy Problem

### How AMDA Approaches Advocacy and Regulatory Reform

➤ AMDA is the only organization that curates the deep sector knowledge that reflects legal oversight and operational realities across all active minigrid markets

➤ AMDA specializes in national coordination to support policy reform that blends private sector operational realities, investor risk concerns, and government

➤ AMDA's advocacy strategy is built upon the core elements of:

- Curating the right evidence
- Rewriting and shifting the minigrid narrative
- Recruiting champions with appropriate influence
- Launching targeted campaigns to change opinions of officials

AMDA has found that there exists a limited number of key decision-makers that determine the success or failure of political action within SSA government institutions; a list that includes heads of state, ministers, utilities, regulators, and parliamentarians.

Our approach is to engage with

AMDA is also developing a regulatory evaluation tool focused on implementation and stability that will provide insight to consultants and donors on systemic issues in regulatory structures

This will provide stakeholders, donors, and governments with a clear picture of how regulations

Regulations that can be implemented at scale



Regulators that are sufficiently funded and organized to oversee the approval of thousands of minigrids a year

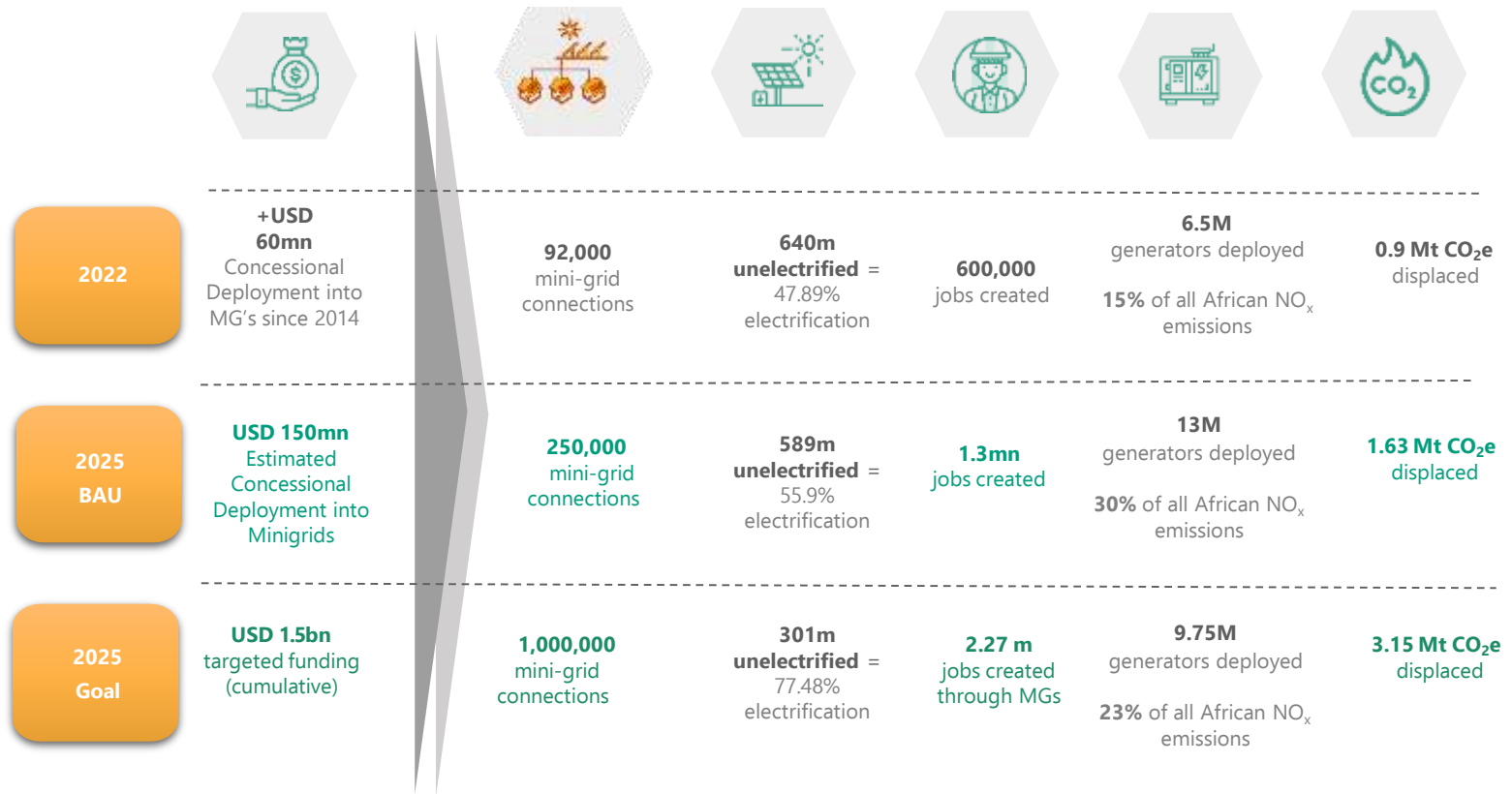


Contractually based regulations that de-risk projects and provide an anchor for securitization of projects

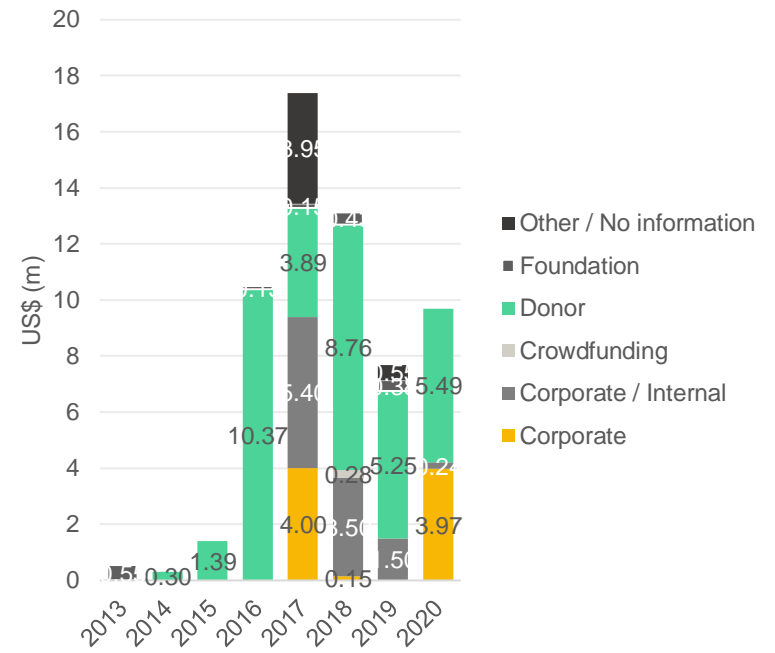
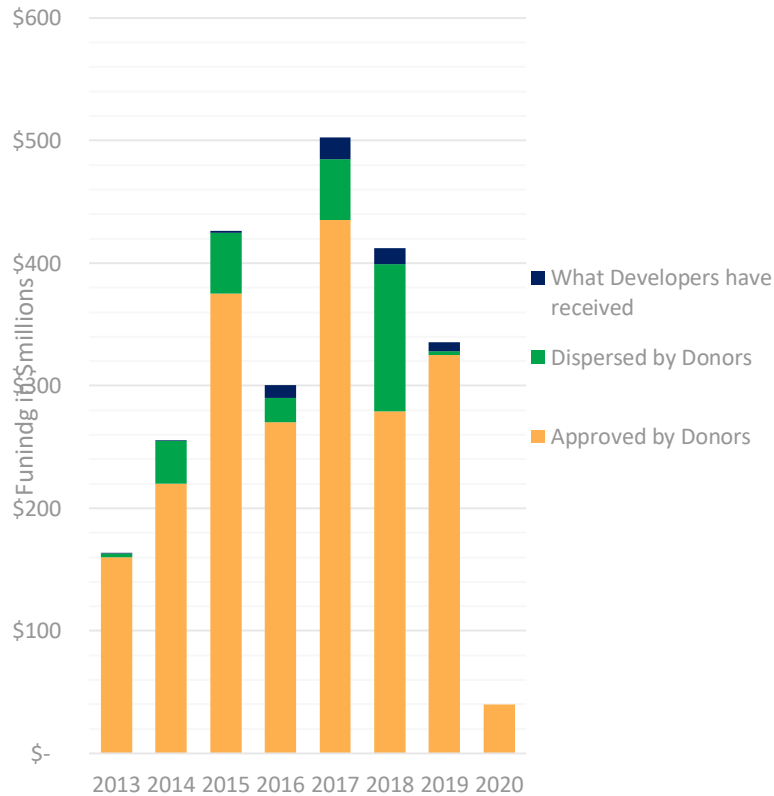


Public Private Partnerships that blend government needs and incentives with operational realities

# Investing in Minigrids



## KEY STATISTICS FINANCING THE SECTOR



\$2 billion was committed to build minigrids by the end of February 2020

Only \$297 million (or 13%) has been disbursed to developers in the mini-grid sector

More than 50% of the dispersed funding went to TA, and not to actual deployment assets.



## Addressing the Finance Problem



Concessional capital is important in catalyzing and unlocking private capital, we need to see concessional capital flowing in the Minigrid market.



Subsidies and Viability gap funds should incentivize private sector development. subsidies should range from permanent to multi-year. In all cases, subsidies should at least match the direct and indirect subsidies given to existing national grids.



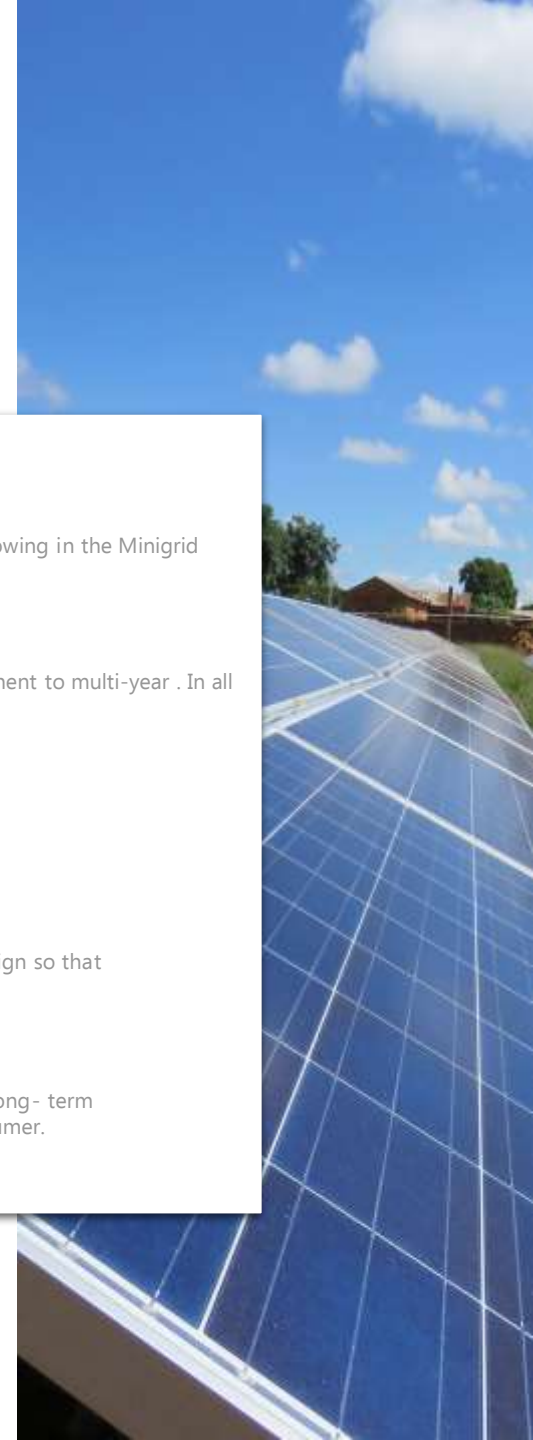
PPP structures and contractually based regulations allow for the deployment of de-risking tools.



The appropriate level of debt and equity needs to be available at the right time. Investors and developers need align so that there are no "valleys of death" in the life cycle of growing a Minigrid development company



The sector needs patient capital which can take later returns from investment, Working capital facilities and in the long-term infrastructure debt facilities and local debt facilities to ensure that forex changes are not passed on to the end consumer.





## Benchmarking



Sector aggregated data provides insights that covers the comparative costs of grid vs. MGs, the grid vs. MGs, the sector's role in community economic growth, as well as as environmental impact figures, amongst others amongst others – helping to tell the minigrid the minigrid story while illustrating the case for illustrating the case for minigrids at scale, and at scale, and the financing / regulation required regulation required to get there.

## Policy Mapping



Policy mapping will provide stakeholders, donors, and governments with a clear picture of how regulations impact the growth of the decentralized energy markets across all AMDA chapters in SSA, ranking them according to the ease of conducting business.

## Qualitative Research



The minigrid sector will employ over 1,125,000 people over the next decade, increasing the disposable income of women by 59%, and doubling the profits for rural farmers and SME owners, while lowering greenhouse gas emissions by 71%.

### THE PROBLEM

## Data Research and Implementing Change

### The Problem:

Because the minigrid market is a fledgling one, there exists significant misunderstanding amongst governments, stakeholders, donors and investors that hinders a coherent understanding of the minigrid business model and its socio-environmental impacts.

The vast majority of research and recommendations on policy and regulations focuses on an ideal rather than practical implementation. The ideal is inadequate to fully understand the implementation constraints hindering growth

AMDA believes that quality quantitative and qualitative Metrix on sector performance, unit economics, growth, policy and regulatory timelines are essential to understanding what is hindering growth and what is accelerating it. All of our sector recommendations and advisory work are underpinned by data and research.



Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all



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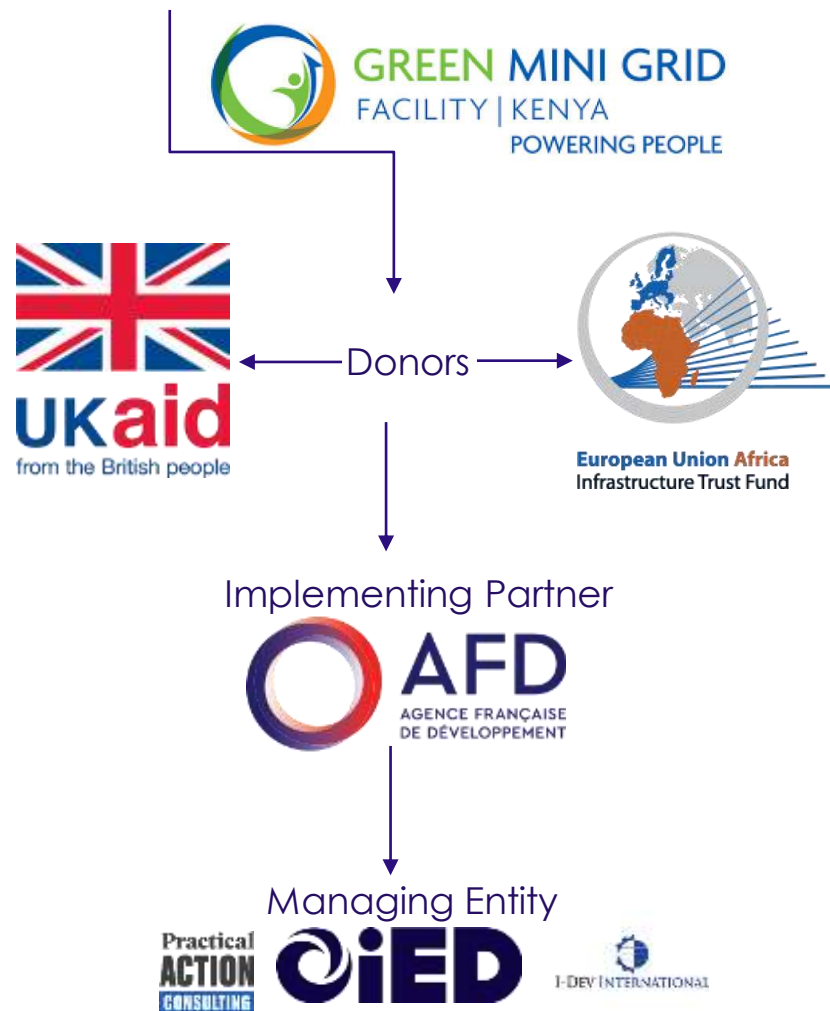


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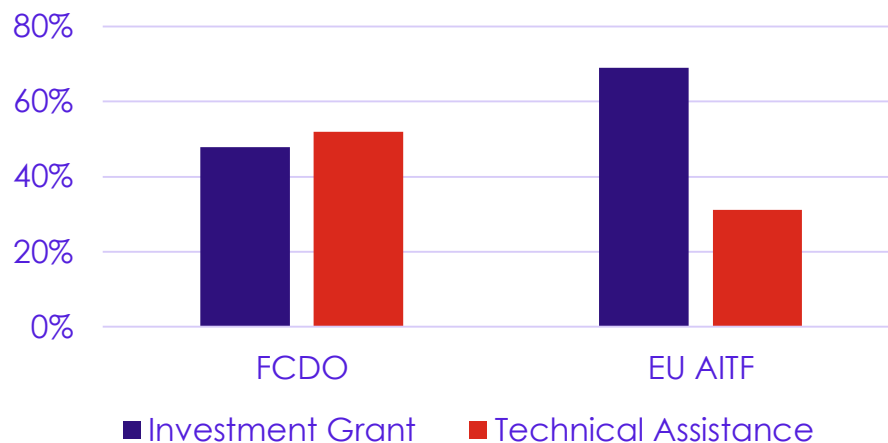
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# GMG Structure



Grant & Technical Assistance (%)





## Mini-Grid

80

### GMG Capex/Connection

EUR 800-1,200

### Residential Tariff

55-80 KES  
EUR 0.43-0.65

### Commercial Tariff

43-88 KES  
EUR 0.34-0.69

### Connection Fees

KES 500 – 6,500  
EUR 4 – 51

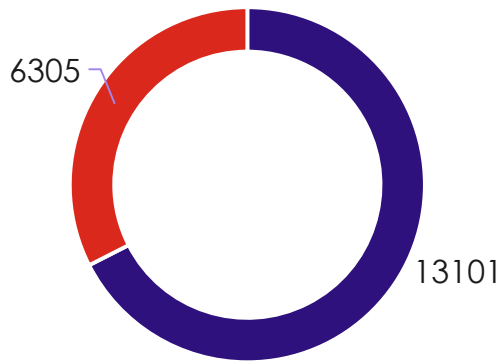
### Installed Capacity

≥ 2MW



# Impact

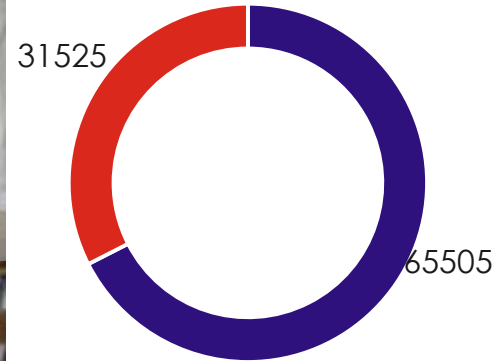
Live Connections



■ Completed ■ Ongoing



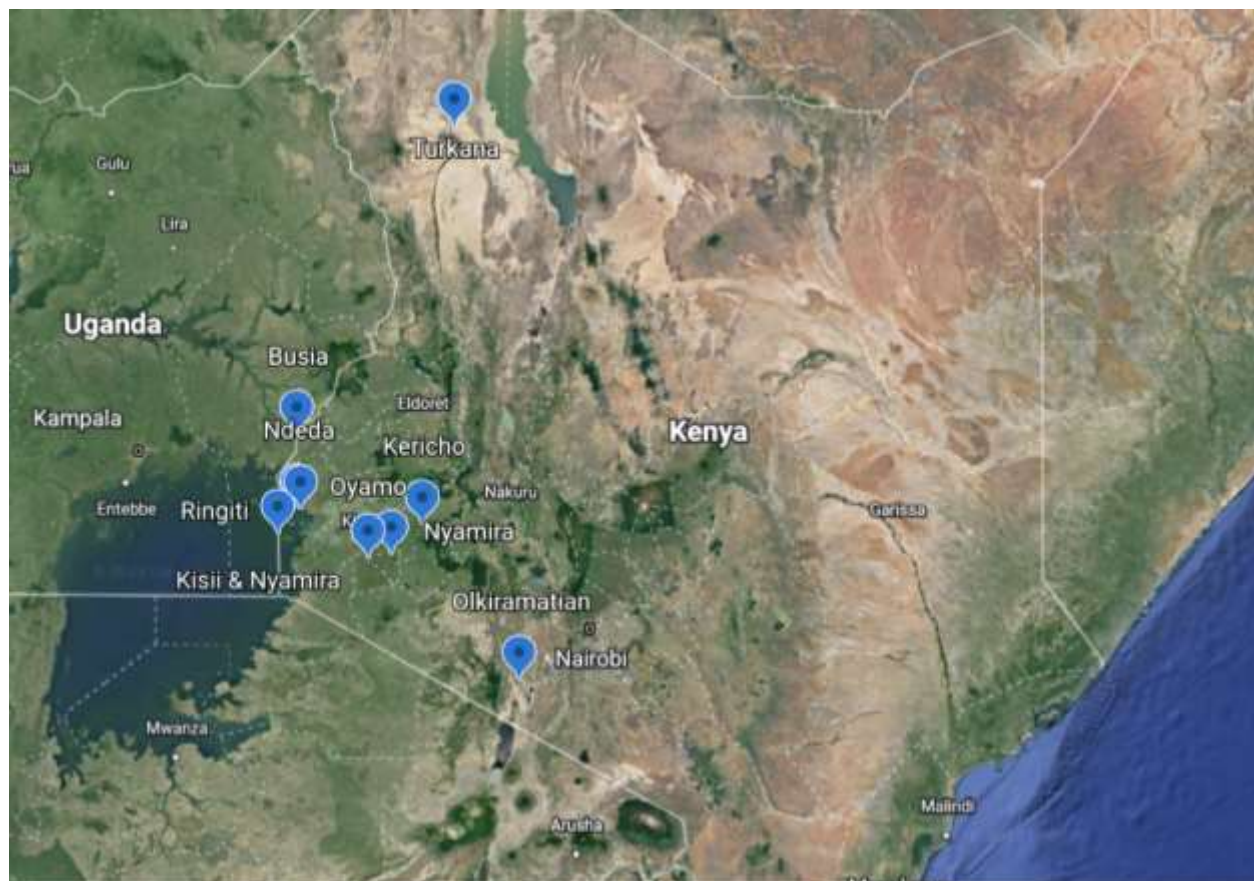
Population Impacted



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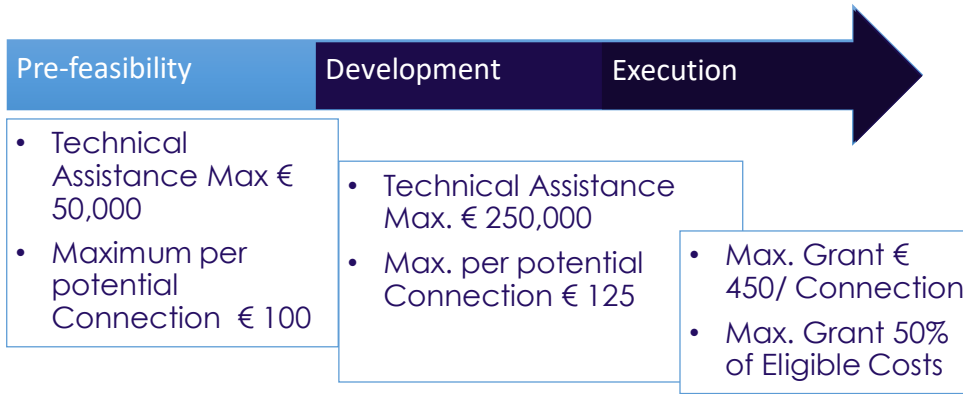
## Mini-Grid Locations



### Regulatory Requirements:

- **Ministry of Energy Approval** based on EoI includes no objection of county authorities and REREC.
- **Tariff approval** by Regulator (detailed feasibility study, standard tariff calculation, ESIA etc). Reviewed annually.
- Approved tariffs varying between EUR 0.4 to 0.65/kWh and connection fees EUR 4 – 53 but vary per developer. Regulator open for different models.
- **Construction Permit** (tech specs, land registration, etc). 90 days response time from Regulator. Valid 12 months.
- **Generation, Distribution and Supply License** after commissioning of plant/distribution network, up to 20 years .
- Regular reporting to Regulator, monthly and annually.

# Financing



## Technical assistance:

- Technical and Engineering
- Business and Financial planning
- Development of Productive Use of Energy
- Legal and Compliance
- Environmental and Social
- Market Assessment and Market Development

## Grants:

- Investment Grants (CAPEX)
- Output-Based Grants (Connections)



# Key Technical Assistance to the Sector

## 1. Support to Ministry/Regulator

Technical assistance supported EPRA on the development of the Mini-grid regulations, Online licensing platform, Capacity development and Tariff models.

## 2. Access to Finance

Demand and Supply side of Energy Finance and Market Assessment studies for HH appliances and PU applications for SMEs.

## 3. Environmental, Social and Gender Monitoring

To ensure relevant ESG related topics are monitored and reported throughout the project cycle.

## 4. Productive use of energy

Tool kits to improve economic development in mini-grid communities.

- Milling
- Ice making
- Electric pressure cookers

## 5. Impact Study

Track the short and long term benefits of private mini-grids in 8 counties. This study has been launched and is expected to receive its first set of data by Q1 2023.

# Challenges

1. Regulatory approval process - Time and resource requirements have changed over time.
2. Land registration issues.
3. Developers delays in procurement/ delivery of materials.
4. Over optimistic time frame from both donors and developers.
5. Requirement of additional subsidies for operational support/tariffs in hard to reach areas and for households who earn less than 3\$ a day.



# Thank you

Visit our website for more information - [www.gmgfacilitykenya.org](http://www.gmgfacilitykenya.org)

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# Strong Track Record in Africa

Operations in about half of Africa

...and clients



## Key figures

**100+** MWp solar systems

**150+** Minigrids deployed

**350+** MWh of battery storage

**5,000+** sites equipped with Sagemcom's Energy/Monitoring systems

**50,000+** km energy & telecom cable infrastructure

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# Mini-grid in Uganda



## Project description

### For Engie

Sagemcom supplied and implemented a solar power plant of 600 kWp and 360 kWh to power a mini-grid in Lolwe Island located in Uganda Victoria lake. This project carried out for the account of Engie Equatorial Ltd will provide electricity to 3,500 families and businesses.

## Technical characteristics

Total installed capacity	600 kWp
Energy storage	360 kWh Li-ion
Hybridation	200 kVA genset
Distribution MV/LV	Done by REA
Number of connections	3,500 done by Engie Equatorial
Beneficiaries	15,000 inhabitants

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# Present Across East Africa



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# Relevant Permits & Deep Knowledge of Local Regulation

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THE ENERGY ACT, 2019

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Registration No. ET/68/12/2018 Category Foreign

In accordance with the provisions of The Contractors Registration Act No. 17 of 1997

In witness whereof the common seal has been affixed

hereon on this 20th day of December, 2018

Registrar Chairman

**TANZANIA**

ELECTRICITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

**ERA**

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION PERMIT FOR COMPANIES

issued under S.6 of the Electricity Act Cap 493 and section 10 (1) of the Electricity (Installation Permits) Regulations, 2019

Permit Number: ERA/EV/CL/0001/2018 Permit Class: B

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Company stated above whose representations appear in the above photographic, has been issued an Installation Permit to undertake all and any kind of electrical installations up to and not exceeding the distribution voltage and such installations shall be done and certified by the permit holder whose names are listed below:

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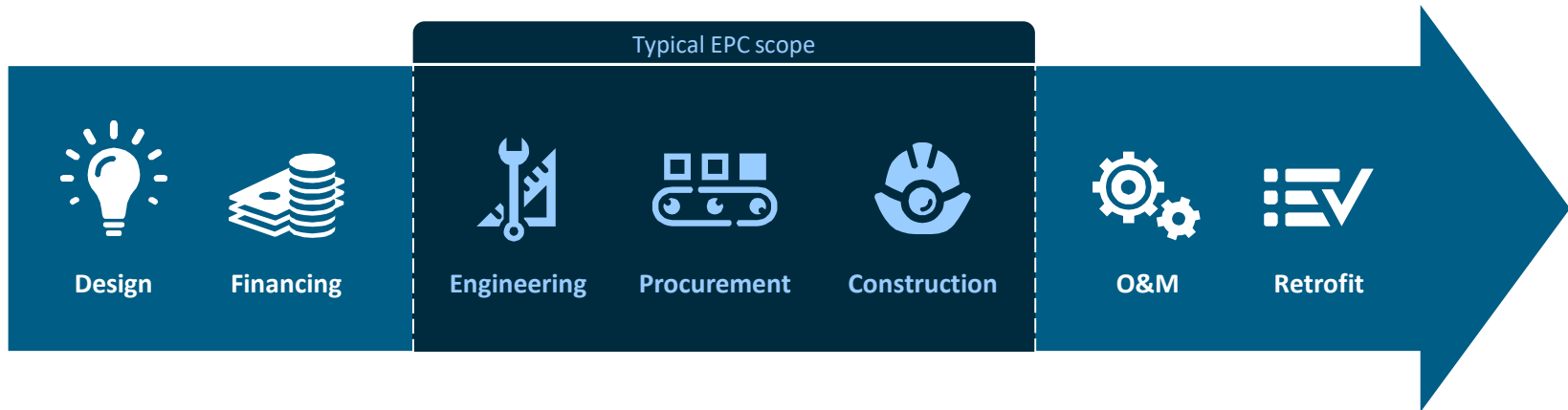
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To meet the needs of our customers and help their businesses grow, we cover the full spectrum from project Ideas to designs to implementations, operations & maintenance and potential retrofits in the long-run



- Financial strength
- Local experts and implementation teams backed by a network of specialists
- Single point of contact for ambitious and cross-disciplinary turnkey projects

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# Sagemcom is the ideal partner to implement complex infrastructure



## A Reliable Partner

Well-capitalized multinational company **incorporated in 1924** and still thriving

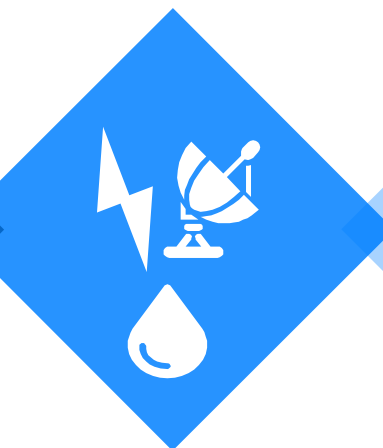
**Fully dedicated staff**  
(30% employee shareholding)



## Present Globally & Locally

Operating in around the world, including **half of Africa**

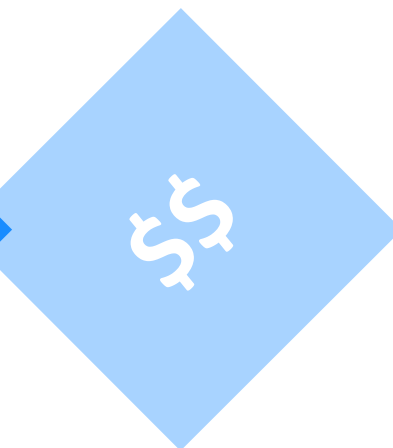
Present in **Northern, Western, Eastern & Central Africa**



## Experienced in Complex Infrastructure

Water networks require deep experience in Design, Civil Work, Home connections.

**More than 40 years experience** in complex infrastructure with **Maintenance**



## Strong Financial Capacity

**Well funded Group**  
**With Financing Solutions**

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# COFFEE BREAK

Next panel discussion at 10.45 :

Residential and commercial market  
for stand-alone renewable  
solutions

**SEMINAR / November 28th**

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## Panel Discussion 2: Residential and commercial market for stand-alone renewable solutions

10.45 am - 11.30 am



Panelist  
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Head of Policy and Regional  
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**Jon EXEL**  
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## ENGIE Energy Access was created through the successful integration of ENGIE Mobisol, Fenix International and ENGIE PowerCorner into a single entity

### ENGIE Energy Access

Fenix International 

Fenix International used to focus on entry-level solar home systems (10W to 50W).

- Appliances for basic lighting, phone charging and hair clippers are provided on a **"lease-to-own" model**
- Affordable installments used to start from **USD 0.14 per day**
- Use of **PAYGo and lock-out technology** to manage customer payments

*Founded in 2009*

**Solar Home Systems**

Mobisol 

Mobisol used to provide off-grid solar home systems for homes and businesses.

- Kits used to have a higher power rating (50 W to 200 W) and to cover a portfolio of appliances
- Productive use of appliances to contribute to **solar-powered small businesses** to generate incremental income (e.g. phone charging, village cinemas, bars etc.)
- SHS were provided via a **"lease-to-own" model**

*Founded in 2012*

ENGIE PowerCorner 

ENGIE PowerCorner used to provide clean, reliable, affordable and productive electricity to rural populations through renewable Mini-Grids

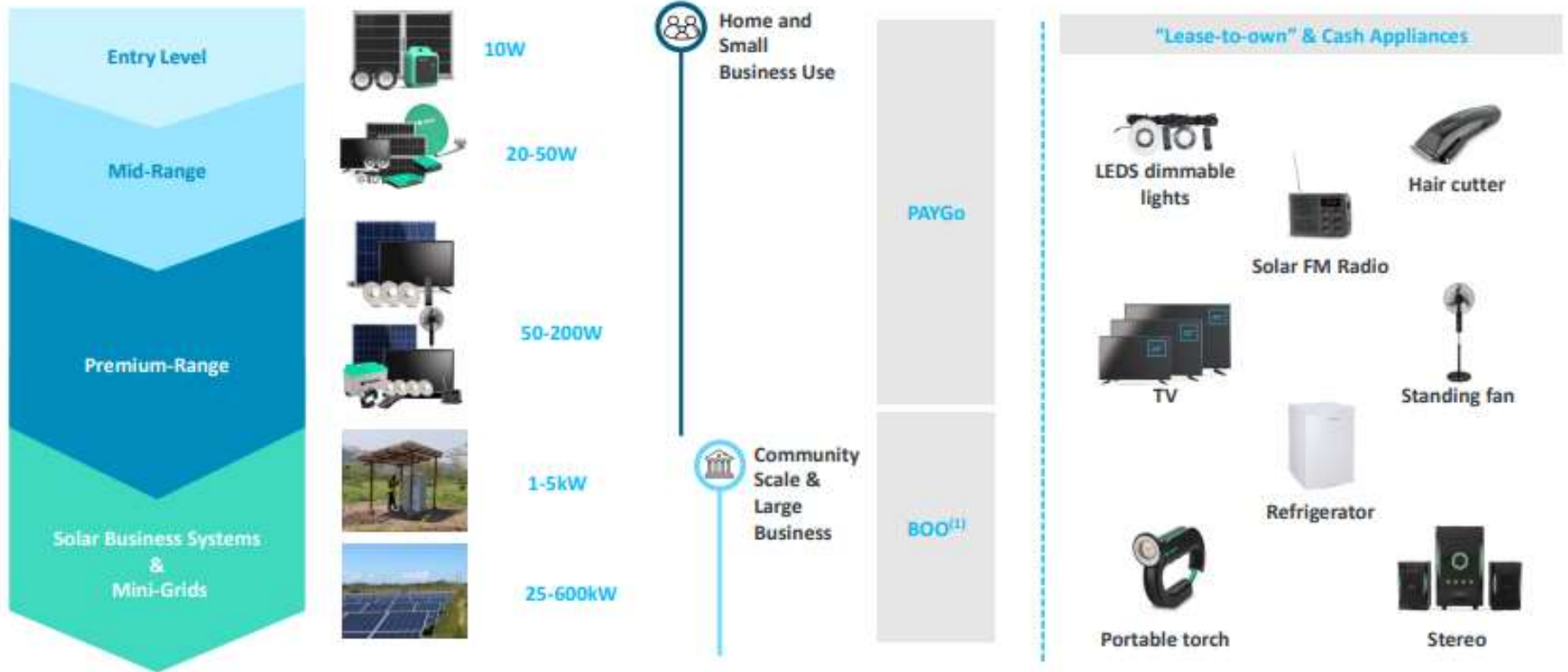
- Cloud-connected smart meters and PAYGo technologies allowed for **performance tracking and payments management** of individual connections
- Energy efficient appliances were provided via a **"lease-to-own" model**

*Founded in 2016*

**Mini-Grids**

# EEA has a holistic offer based on two complementary business lines: SHS and Mini-Grids

Fully-fledged spectrum of solutions from 10W to 600kW





# Access to Energy: mission and objectives



Today in the world, **789 M** people do not have access to Energy.

**OUR MISSION : BRING ENERGY TO PEOPLE WITHOUT ACCESS**

**BY DEVELOPING SOLAR PRODUCTS**



**AND MARKETING THEM**

- Via 230 stations on network*
- Cash or with micro-finance*
- Via resellers or NGOs*
- Through empowering women and youth*



**OUR COMMON AMBITION:**

**IMPACT 25 MILLION PEOPLE BY 2025**

# Energy Access history at TotalEnergies



**Objective: Impact 25 million people by 2025**

# Wide products catalogue to better target the customer needs

Keeping the TotalEnergies brand while testing other solutions



## Single lighting

New



Pocket



ONE

## Single lighting + phone charge



Family

## Home kits



Home Life



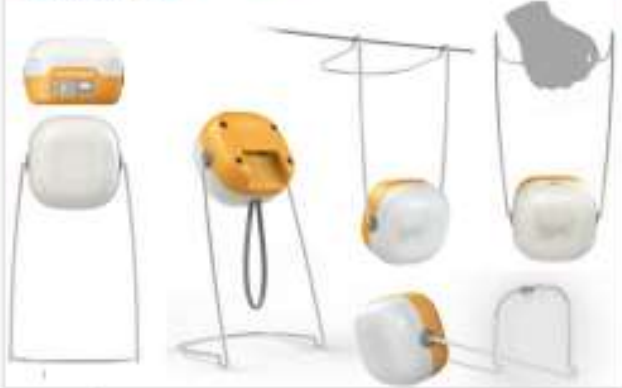
Home

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2023

New

Sunshine 150



New

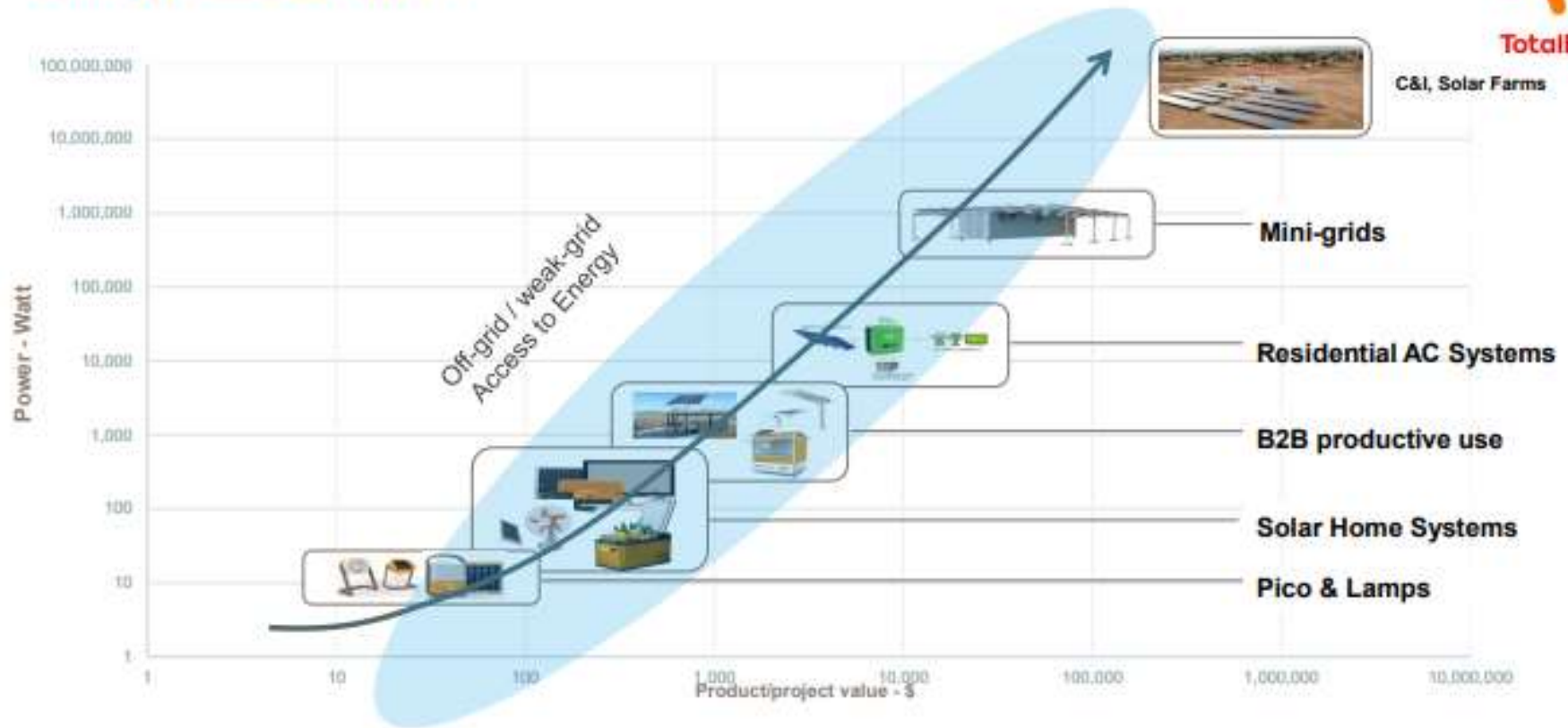
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PayGo



# Energy Access status



Advanced solar tech & digital tools provide path to end energy deficit, but formidable obstacles remain ...

# ACCF Project showcase



# Key Challenges and Proposed Solutions

....focus on the Value Chain

<b>Business Models</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to re-imagine the solar business models.</li> <li>• Flexibility is key</li> <li>• Build robust business model that encourages accountability and gender inclusion</li> </ul>
<b>Financial enablers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most local MFIs face liquidity challenges.</li> <li>• Need to think of building financial capacity for local MFIs</li> </ul>
<b>Project mensuration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact analysis key to validate business models</li> </ul>
<b>Circular Economy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage partners on End-of-Life product management</li> </ul>
<b>Strengthen internal &amp; external COMs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote awareness of solar solutions as key component in the energy transition</li> <li>• Update impact (&amp; other metrics such as CO2)</li> </ul>





**SEMINAR / November 28th**

# Decentralized Renewable Energy Solutions for an Inclusive and Sustainable Development in East Africa

Movenpick Hotel, Nairobi / 8.30 am - 1.00 pm

## Panel Discussion 3: Beyond energy, decentralized solutions for the provision of essential services

11.45 am - 12.30 pm



Panelist  
**Jason GRAS**  
CEO,  
Stimaboda



Panelist  
**Dennis KEYA**  
Country Manager Kenya,  
EDF



Panelist  
**Bradford MMENE**  
Wash Engineer,  
Kenya Red Cross Society



Panelist  
**Beatrice MUSYOKA**  
Chief Economist,  
KenGen



Moderated by  
**Laure PAUGAM**

French Chamber of Commerce in Kenya



**Solarized boreholes at Moa that serves approximately 3,500H/H, in Lamu County.**



Desalination plant plant at Faza Island in Lamu County, the system serves a population of approximately 8,000h/h. The system has a capacity of 5m<sup>3</sup>/hr.





## Off-grid Electrification

Reliable, sustainable and affordable

# Energy Access for Rural clients



# EDF Off-Grid Solutions



## Solar Home System

(SHS)

A SHS (or solar kit) is a standalone equipment composed of photovoltaic solar panels, that provides power for low power devices.

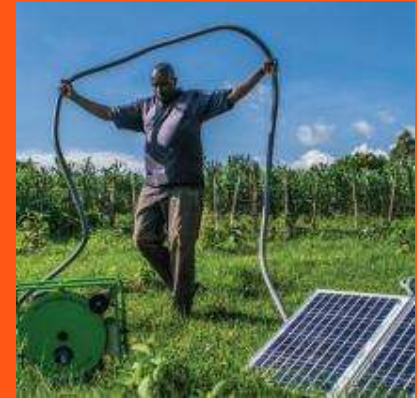
Type of customers : individuals, houses, small business



## Mini grid

A mini-grid (or micro grid) is an off-grid electricity distribution network involving small-scale electricity generation (10 kW to 10 MW).

Type of customers : hospitals, schools, villages ...



## Solar Water Pump

Solar pumps are equipment with solar photovoltaic panels that allow to pump water on the surface for watering crops.

Types of customers : farmers

# EDF's Off-grid activities in Africa



EDF is active in **7 countries** for a total over **2 million people connected** to electricity by the end of 2022.  
EDF CAP 2030 goal : **5 millions** people connected.

## Senegal

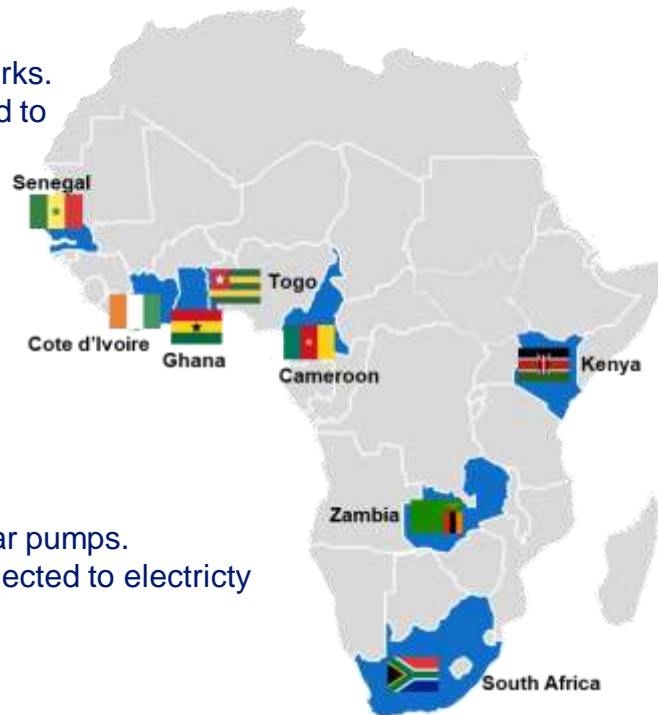
19k solar kits and 16 mini networks.  
More than 97k people connected to electricity

## Ivory Coast

52k solar kits.  
Solar pump activities in progress  
Round 260k people connected to electricity

## Togo

80k solar kits and 3k solar pumps.  
Round 400k people connected to electricity



## Kenya

160k solar kits and 20k solar pumps.  
About 900k people connected to electricity

## Zambia

14 mini grids.  
More than 10k people connected to electricity

## South Africa

Round 300k people connected to electricity



# The Solar Home System





**B2C**

## Solar Home Systems

Scalable, adapted to customers' income and needs

*Lighting, radio, mobile, TV, fan*

500 x 1000 €

*(9 - 32 € / month over 36 months)*



# Our solar kit solutions



These individual kits include easy-to-install solar panels backed by batteries that store electricity.

EDF takes care of the installation and maintenance of the solar kits for rural and peri-urban households.

The solar kits are payable by simply using a telephone.



Marketing



Financial offer



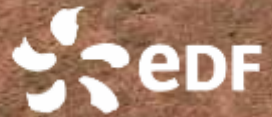
Service & maintenance



EDF produces and supplies low-carbon electricity to communities



# The Mini Grid



# Our Mini Grids



EDF delivers a turnkey mini grid: electricity production + distribution network + meters

EDF builds the mini grid from A to Z, from feasibility studies to commissioning

EDF operates and maintains the mini grid for long-term efficiency



Design



Construction



Exploitation



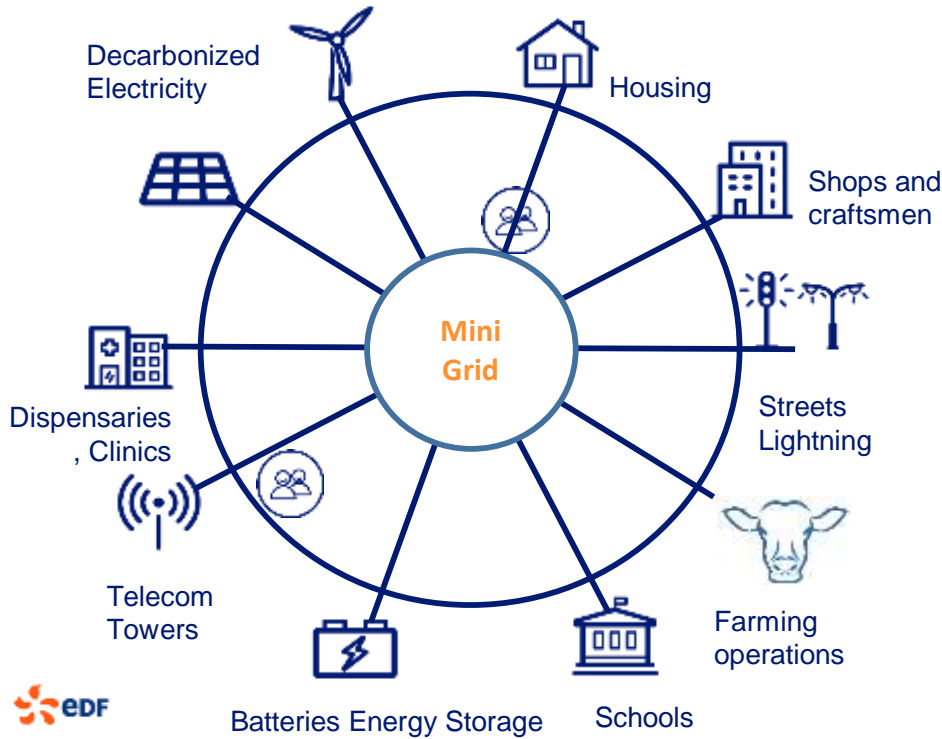
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# The mini network is reliable and environmentally friendly



The mini grid is an electrical system that connects all members of the community



**A sustainable energy**  
The mini grid uses local and renewable energy

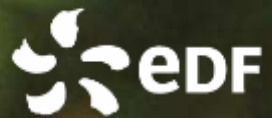
**A reliable system**  
The mini grid uses multiple sources and batteries to provide electricity



**An adaptable system**  
The mini network grows and develops as community needs change

**More affordable energy**  
With an optimal custom configuration, the mini grid provides substantial savings to communities

# The Solar Water Pump





**B2B: Solar  
Pumps**

More economical than a diesel pump  
150W to 300W  
450€ to 900€  
1.084 €/month over 18-30 months





# Quality of life impact on farmers

We conducted an impact survey our customers in September 2020.

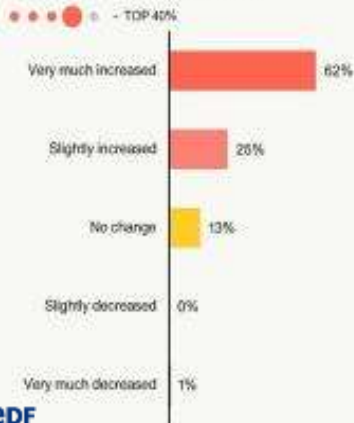
The average land size per farmer was 6000 square meter and the farmers had the system for 12 months on average.

**87% reported an increase in production and 81% of those did so without planting additional land.**

**80% of farmers reported an increase in money earned, an increase in harvest and cost reduction being the main drivers.**

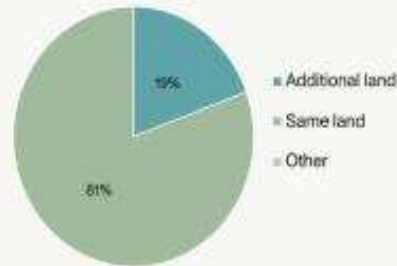
## Impact on Production

Q : Has the total production from your crop changed because of our solar water pump? (n=203)



## Reasons for increases in production

Q : Was this increase because you planted additional land or was it from the same amount of land? (n=175)



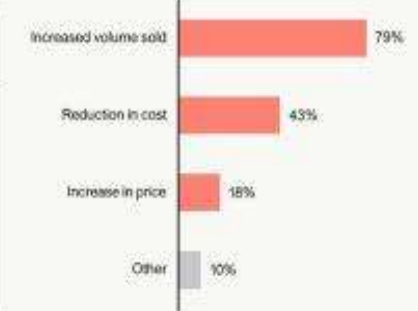
## Returns from Crops

Q : Has the money you earn from farming changed because of our solar water pump? (n=207)

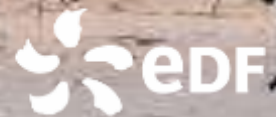


## Reasons for Increased Returns

Q : What were the main reasons for the increase in money earned? (n=165)



# Main Challenges



# Our mains challenges



## Actions



To reach profitability

- Low-income population, highly sensitive to adverse situations - Covid, recession etc.
- Retail – B2C businesses, Competition, scale effect.

- Diversify products – e-Mobility, LPG etc.



Partnerships

- Partners have different objectives for market approach.
- Aligning with diverse market players

- Work and engage more closely with partners including National and regional government.



Regulation / DFIs support

- Draft MiniGrid Regulation in Kenya
- Financing still a challenge for Financial Institutions.

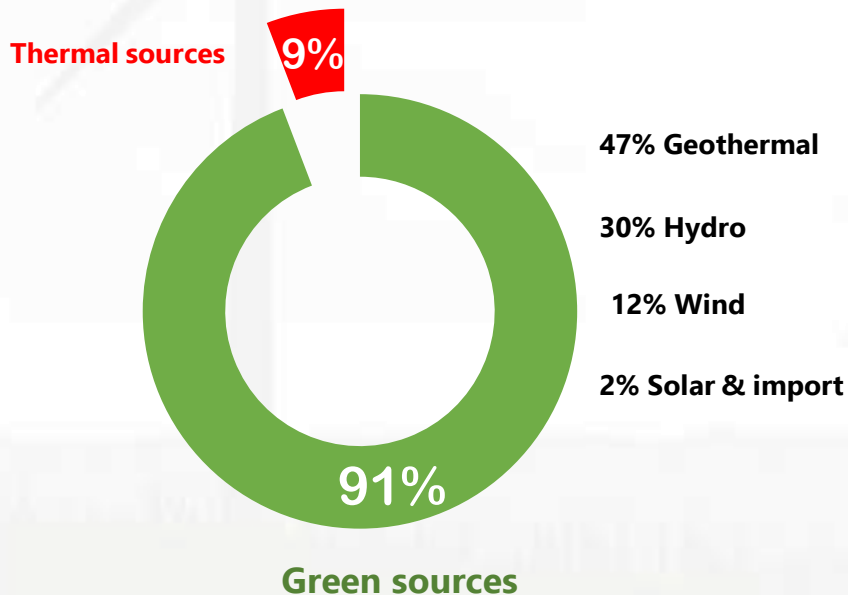
- More active lobbying
- Subsidies to lower risk



**Thank you**

# Kenya's grid is largely green; however, it is underutilized in meeting the country's energy needs

## Kenya's generation mix



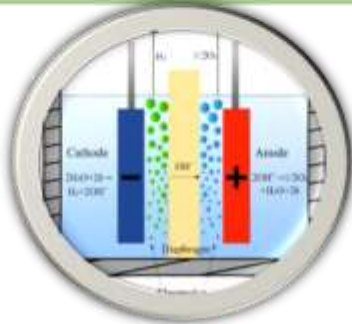
## Kenya's Greenhouse Gas Emissions' Situation

1. Total GHG emissions increased by 65% in 10 years to 93.7MtCO<sub>2e</sub> in 2015; expected to rise to 143MtCO<sub>2e</sub> by 2030.
2. Kenya has committed to abate this growth by 32%
3. Key contributors to the emissions are:-
  - Agriculture (livestock, fertilizer) – 40%
  - Deforestation and energy – 20%
  - Transport – 18%

# Energy Transition

1

## Green Hydrogen - Opportunity in Fertilizer Production



1. Kenya imports **300,000+** metric tonnes of ammonia-based fertilizer per year (2021 - **USD 355.45 Million** in fertilizer importation)
2. **Feasibility Study for hydrogen, Ammonia and Fertilizer production & 5MW pilot plant**
3. **Partnerships in technical capacity development & for large scale production; if the pilot is successful.**

2

## E-Mobility - Opportunity in Charging Infrastructure



1. Piloted 4 EV – Data collection
2. Roll out of EV charging stations in major towns in Kenya.
3. Accelerated transition of the Company's Internal Combustion Engines to EVs.

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