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Webinar

Outline of presentation

1. Overview of the SE4All Africa Hub and SE4All country action in Africa
2. The GMG Market Development Program – status and concept note of Phase 2
3. Brief presentation of the New Deal on Energy for Africa



The SE4All Africa Hub



Set-up

- Hosted by the African Development Bank in partnership with the African Union Commission, the NEPAD Agency, UNDP and a rotating representation of the Regional Economic Communities. SADC Secretariat joined the Oversight Committee at the beginning of the year.

Mission

- Coordinate and facilitate SE4ALL implementation in Africa (CEMA Nov. 2012)

Operating Principles

- African ownership
- “Light” structure
- Results orientation



Africa Hub Activities



- **Policy and Guidance**
Designing the SE4All country action process, mainstreaming a coordinated approach, providing a template and guidelines for the SE4All Action Agenda and Investment Prospectus, for the consultative processes and promoting quality control.
- **Technical Assistance**
The Hub provides technical assistance to African countries and energy stakeholders to achieve SE4All objectives related to energy access, energy efficiency and renewable energy sources. The Technical Assistance is mainly delivered through the GEF-funded African Climate Technology Center project.
- **Knowledge Management**
The Hub collects information on the implementation of the SE4All initiative in Africa and make it available on its website: www.se4all-Africa.org
- **Workshops & Events**
Organizes amongst other events the annual SE4All Africa workshop to assess progress in the implementation of the SE4All in Africa.



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SE4All and SDG No. 7

February 2011

The United Nations General Assembly designated the year 2012 as **the International Year of Sustainable Energy for All**

September 2011

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched **Sustainable Energy for All** as a global initiative.

December 2012

The UN General Assembly unanimously declared the decade 2014-2024 as the **Decade of Sustainable Energy for All**

September 2015

UN Member States adopted the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)** and post-2015 agenda.

Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

7.1 By 2030, ensure universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services

7.2 By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix

7.3 By 2030, double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency



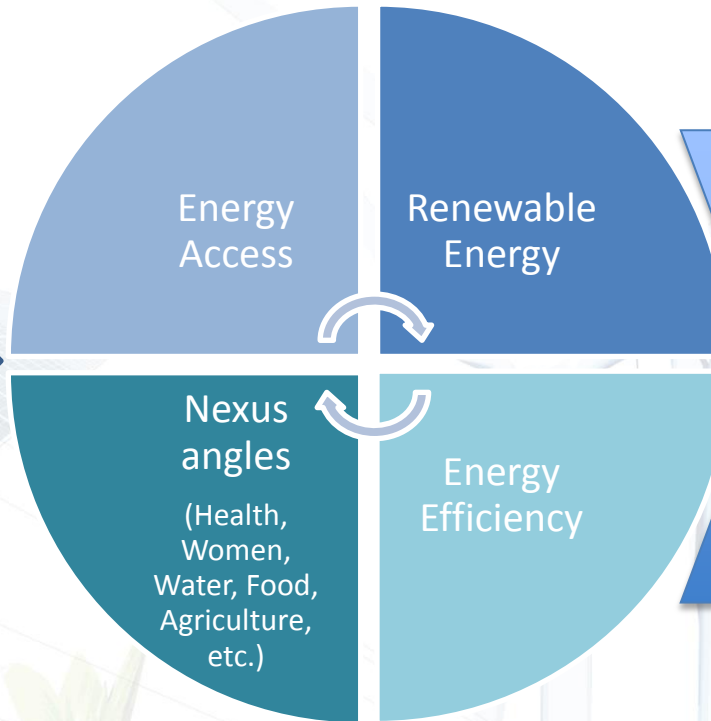
The AA – a Holistic Approach

National SE4All Action Agenda

Holistic long-term vision &
Sector wide coherence

Inclusive development

- ✓ Government (inter-ministerial)
- ✓ Development partners
- ✓ Private sector
- ✓ Civil society
- ✓ Energy Producers
- ✓ Energy Consumers
- ✓ Other Energy Stakeholders



- ✓ Defining national 2030 objectives
- ✓ Outlining actions required to achieve objectives
- ✓ Providing a coordination platform for partners
- ✓ Providing confidence to potential investors
- ✓ Defining tracking and monitoring
- ✓ Establishing implementation structure



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The AA – an Implementation Tool for SDG 7

“Encourage that the SE4All Action Agenda be formally recognized as an implementation tool for proposed SDG7 at national level”, *SE4All Energy Access Committee, May 2015*

“National AA and IP present a robust framework for accelerating the implementation of energy related goals and targets of the country”, *SE4All Advisory Board, May 2015*

“We welcome [...] the development of Action Agendas and Investment Prospectuses at country level”, *Financing for Development Outcome Document, July 2015*

“Support the ongoing and future African voluntary country-led processes to develop SE4All Action Agendas with appropriate goals as an umbrella framework for energy sector development at the national level.”, *G20 Action Plan on Energy Access in SSA, October 2015*

“We welcome the development of SE4All Action Agendas as umbrella energy sector development documents looking at access, renewables and energy efficiency in a holistic manner”, *SAIREC declaration, October 2015*

“To promote continuous partner coordination through the SE4All Action Agenda process at country level and to formally establish the AA as a framework for SDG7 implementation at national level”, *SE4All Africa workshop, February 2016*

SE4All Country Action: Where do we stand in Africa ?

Key steps for achieving SE4All objectives



44 African countries joined the SE4All Initiative

RAGA developed in **38** African countries

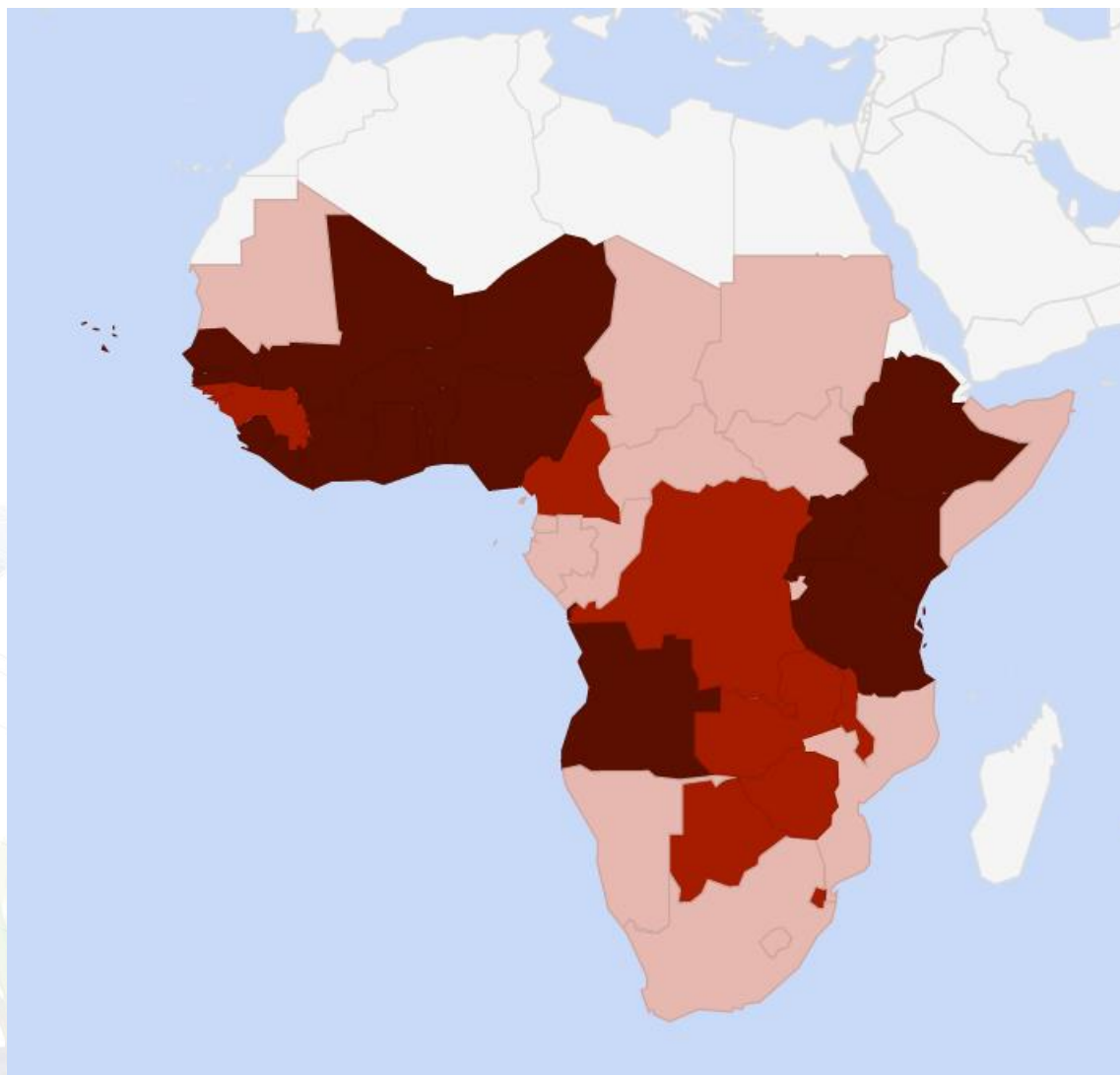
AA – **20** Finalized and **9** Under Development
IP – **4** Finalized and **22** Under Development

Coordinate follow-up to assure the delivery of SE4All country actions in Africa

Where do we stand in Africa?

Countries developing AAs – October 2016

SE4All Action Agendas
are finalised in 20
African Countries and
in development in 9



- AA process finalized/well advanced
- AA process starting/ongoing
- SE4ALL Partner country

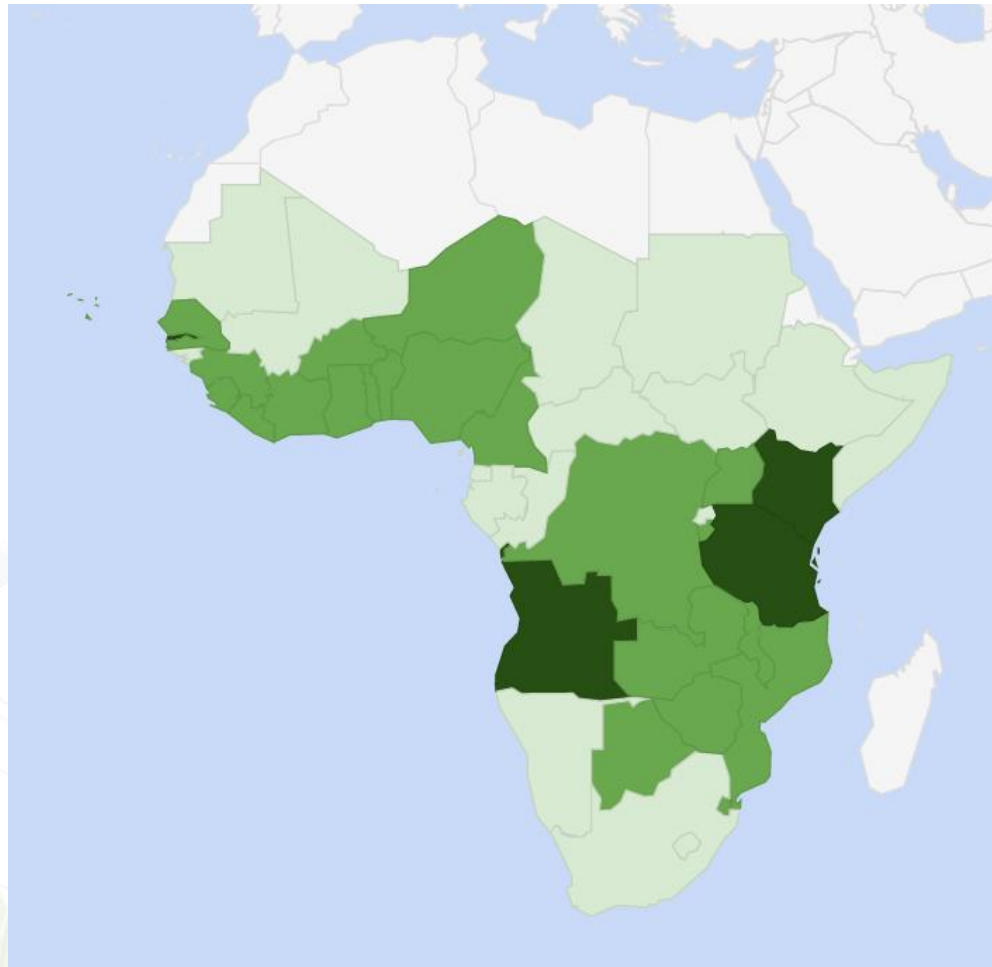


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Where do we stand in Africa?

Countries developing IPs – October 2016

SE4All Investment Prospectuses are finalized in four and under development in 20 countries



- IP process finalized
- IP process starting/ongoing
- SE4ALL Partner country



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Examples of AA targets

Kenya	2012	OBJ 2030
Access to Electricity	23%	100%
Access to Clean Cooking	16%	100%
Renewable Electricity Generation	75%	80%

Rwanda	2014	OBJ 2030
Access to Electricity	22%	100%
Access to Clean Cooking	2%	100%
Renewable Electricity Generation	43%	44%

Uganda	2014	OBJ 2030
Access to Electricity	26%	>98%
Access to Clean Cooking	2.6%	>99%
Renewable Electricity Generation	65.3%	>90%

All available Country Data can be seen at <http://www.se4all-africa.org/>

Sample Priority Actions in the AAs

Mini-Grids

Enabling Environment

- Introduce measures to attract private investors;
- Adoption of quality standards;
- Development of comprehensive mini-grid policy and regulations (tariffs, licences, future grid connection options);
- Establishment of rural electrification agencies.

Supply Side

- Capacity-building for project developers;
- Promotion of mini-grids around anchor clients (telecoms, agro businesses etc.);
- Direct establishment of mini-grids by national utilities;
- Hybridization of existing diesel mini-grids with renewable technologies.

Demand side

- Promotion of productive and income-generating uses of electricity in rural areas.



Sample Priority Actions in the AAs

Clean Cooking

Enabling Environment

- Promote industry standards, labelling and testing facilities;
- Foster the enabling environment on biomass, forestry, charcoal production to assure sustainability of the biofuels value chain;
- Support continuous research on consumer use and demand for efficient stoves and on the design of products that meet user needs.

Supply Side

- Support local manufacturers and suppliers with development, production, marketing and retailing of high performing cook stoves;
- Support to financial service providers to work with modern cooking market actors to increase access to financing for entrepreneurs and end users of cooking solutions.

Demand Side

- Conduct awareness campaigns;
- Develop financing schemes to provide credit to households that cannot afford the upfront costs.

Focus on Implementation of AA/IPs (1)



1/ Concerted follow-up to AA/IPs:

- AA to be recognized as coordination and implementation tool for SDG 7 at national level
- Government to maintain consultation processes focused on medium-term strategic agenda with clear decision-making processes
- Promotion and networking including the facilitation of dedicated SE4All investment fora and matchmaking making use of market places
- Political engagement/awareness raising/lobbying, recommending *inter alia* the engagement with development partners to use the AA/IP as guiding tool
- Mobilization of resources, including the facilitation of access to finance from available resources of partners – linking demand with supply

Focus on Implementation of AA/IPs (2)

2/ Coordination & Institutionalization

- AA process provides a platform for coordination at country-level and guidance for partner engagement
- Donor discipline to keep new initiatives aligned with agreed priorities, and maintain focus on medium- to long-term strategic goals
- Institutionalising SE4All processes in the countries and strengthening of SE4All Secretariats
- Regional coordination and leadership (e.g. RECs, AELG)

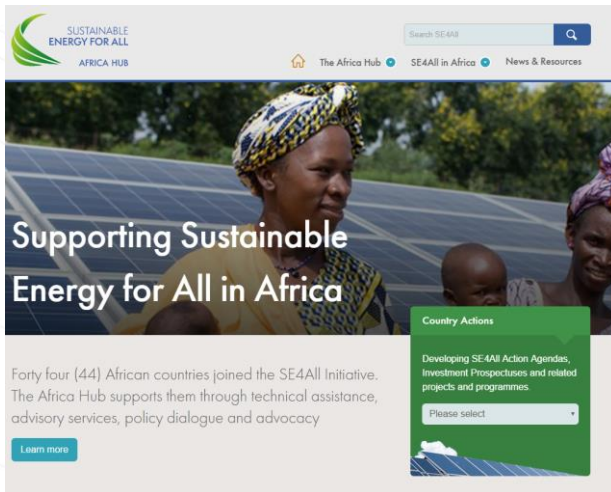
3/ Tracking and Monitoring

- Develop methodologies to track and measure progress towards SE4All targets at country level
- Make the link between monitoring efforts on SE4All at a country level and the Global SE4All monitoring and tracking work (GTF, MTF)



Additional Information

- The Hub launched earlier this year the **SE4All Africa website:**
<http://www.se4all-africa.org/>



Short description of the context

At a glance

In Kenya, in 2012, access to electricity was limited to 23% of the population, which represents 1.97 million households, while over 80% of Kenyans relied on the traditional use of biomass as the primary source of energy for cooking and heating.

Location



Country contacts

Eng. Isaac N. Kiva
Director of Renewable Energy
Eng. Faith Wandera
[Deputy Director of Renewable Energy](#)
Ministry of Energy and Petroleum
www.energy.go.ke

SE4All focal point contact

Country SE4All related news

News from Kenya

02/12/2015
[Kenya hosts East African Forum on Sustainable Energy](#)

Documentation to download

Documents

- [Kenya Rapid Assessment - Gap Analysis \(1.5 MB\)](#)
- [Kenya Action Agenda \(5.0 MB\)](#)
- [Kenya Investment Prospectus \(1.0 MB\)](#)
- [Daily Nation SE4All Special \(625 kB\)](#)
- [Kenya Awareness Campaign July 2015 \(1.1 MB\)](#)

SE4All targets

SE4All Action Agenda Objectives	2030	Country Action Documents	Status
Electricity Access, national	100%	Rapid Assessment	Validated
Access to non-solid fuels, national	100%	Action Agenda	Technically Adopted
Renewable Energy Output	80%	Investment Prospectus	Technically Adopted
Renewable Energy Consumption	80%		
Energy Efficiency	-2.785% per year		

Validation status

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GMG Market Development Program

- Implemented by the **SE4All Africa Hub** in collaboration with the Bank's **Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa (SEFA)**.
- In the framework of **SEFA Component III**, enabling Environment.
- A mix of **internal staff and advisory services**.
- Designed in 2014/15 through a **consultative process**.
- Reflects the areas of intervention established by the **SE4All High Impact Opportunity (HIO)** on clean energy mini-grids and actively collaborates with some of the HIO partners on its implementation
- **Multi – phased**: to assure greater degree of flexibility to adapt to the changing landscape, closer coordination with partners and gradual take-off in parallel with increasing internal implementation capacity.
- **Phase 1** ending first half 2017, when **Phase 2** is expected to begin



Barriers to GMG development

The GMG MDP has identified a number of key barriers to development of a GMG sector in Africa, including:

- Gaps in the policy and regulatory framework (perhaps most important, because precursors to investment), specifically:
 - Tariffs
 - Licensing
 - Arrival of the national grid
 - Inconsistency/changing government positions
- Lack of detailed market intelligence by country
- Few proven business models as yet (profitability/sustainability)
- Very limited experience operating/maintaining GMGs
- Households lack purchasing power, while little productive use
- Lack of capacity of key stakeholders, both public and private
- Access to finance, especially debt
- Risk, especially currency risk



Removing or reducing market barriers and strengthening the ecosystem for the scaling-up of GMGs investments in Sub-Saharan Africa

Barriers Identified

1. Early stage market fragmentation
2. Lack of proven commercial business models
3. Inadequate regulation, policy gaps or uncertainty
4. Human skills, institutional capacity issues and lack of standardization
5. Lack of access to affordable longer term finance

Business Lines

1. Market Intelligence
2. Business Development Support
3. Policy and Regulatory Support
4. Quality Assurance
5. Access to Finance



Status of MDP Phase 1 implementation



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- **Market Intelligence** – Working with consortium made up of Carbon Trust/UNEP/ECREEE. Have analyzed existing market intelligence methodologies and determined information to collect/process/make available to developers. First market study conducted in Mozambique with Ethiopia in progress; Cameroun, Mali and Burkina Faso in the pipeline.
- **Business Development Services** – Working with consortium made up of Energy4Impact/INENSUS. Concluded gap analysis assessing developers' TA needs. GMG toolkit and developer helpdesk website (<http://greenminigrid.se4all-africa.org>) launched at IOREC.
- **Policy and Regulatory Support** – Conducting inventory of existing GMG policy instruments. Developing GMG Africa strategy, to be endorsed by AU Energy Ministers meeting in late November.
- **Access to Finance** – Working with Innovation, Energie, Développement (IED). Finalizing supply-side scoping of GMG support instruments and demand-side scoping of GMG financing needs.
- **Quality Assurance** – No activities planned under 1st phase of MDP.



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Snapshot of GMG Help Desk



The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with links for 'ABOUT THE CONSULTANTS', 'QUICK LINKS', a search box, and 'HELP DESK LOGIN'. The main header features the title 'GREEN MINI-GRID HELP DESK' and logos for the African Development Bank Group, Sustainable Energy for All Africa Hub, and Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa. A central navigation bar includes 'Introduction to Mini-Grids', 'Country Information', and 'Speak to an Expert'. Below this is a process flow diagram with steps: 'Setting up a Mini-Grid Business', 'Site Selection', 'Legal and Compliance', 'Mini-Grid Business Models', 'Technical System Design', 'Community and Stakeholder Engagement', 'Financing', 'Procurement, Installation and Commissioning', and 'Operation & Maintenance'. The main content area features a sunset image over solar panels and a welcome message.

Welcome to the Green Mini-Grid Help Desk. We provide a complete information service for developers of green mini-grids (GMGs) in Africa. The website has been developed by Energy 4 Impact (formerly GVEP International) and INENSUS for the Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All) Africa Hub, hosted by the African Development Bank (AfDB) and funded through the Bank's Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa (SEFA).

Lessons Learned to Date

- Information lacking for conducting robust country-specific market studies, esp. information on hydro and biomass potential, productive use potential and anchor clients
- Policy gaps can be narrowed to simplified licensing, cost-reflective tariffs and main grid arrival, and GMG developers identify policy gaps as the most critical obstacle to GMG development
- All countries reference importance of mini grids in their SE4All Action Agendas, but very few countries have begun developing a GMG policy framework and not many specific policy instrument examples available
- Main grid conservatism continues to push back against GMG initiatives
- Though limited grants are available and equity is growing, commercial debt is virtually non-existent. Developers also express need for RBF to support rural consumer connections
- Many local currencies have lost from between 25 to 50% of their value over the last 30 months, making currency risk a very critical issue



Potential Activities for Phase 2

Market Intelligence:

- Conduct market intelligence studies in ten high impact SE4All/GMG countries (grid extension plans, off-grid areas, policy and regulatory framework, population centers, renewable energy resources, etc.);
- Resource mapping for small hydro and biomass potential, as there are frequently gaps in the currently available information at country level;
- Map productive use and anchor clients in several countries;
- Contribute to the development of rural electrification plans, focusing on geographic markets outside of the main grid future expansion where mini-grids and off-grid will lead;
- Development and regular update of GMG market data permitting stakeholders to follow the GMG sector over time and monitor specific KPIs.

Business Development Services:

- Maintain and expand knowledge products and data available on GMG Developers Help Desk, notably adding more country specific information;
- Ramp up provision of Technical Assistance to GMG developers, both through the Help Desk and through more intensive TA support;
- Stimulate the productive use of electricity and demand-side management through action-research, whereby the Programme provides support in exchange for data sharing;
- Support the emergence of “Training Centers of Excellence in Mini-Grids”



Potential Activities for Phase 2 (cont'd)

Policy and Regulatory Support:

- Design GMG Policy Helpdesk and populate it with existing policy instruments, knowledge products and tutorials and provision of TA to public sector actors;
- Facilitate implementation of Pan-African GMG Strategy in participating countries;
- Study the feasibility of alternative billing methods (to mitigate tariff debate).

Quality Assurance:

- Introduce Quality Assurance Framework in three countries following Global LEAP implementation guidelines.

Access to Finance:

- Design results-based funding facility in support of GMG rural consumer connections;
- Conduct commercial financiers capacity needs assessment in view of mobilizing local debt facilities, potentially linked to AfDB envisaged credit lines, and develop commercial financiers GMG training programme;
- Study supplier and export credit arrangements with the aim of developing a matchmaking role.



We would appreciate your comments on the Phase 2 concept note...

- Are these proposed activities appropriate?
- Are there additional appropriate activities that we are omitting?
- What should be the prioritization of activities?
- Do you have other comments or suggestions for the GMG MDP team?
- Feedback on the concept note should reach us by 31 October



Solar mini grid in Mali

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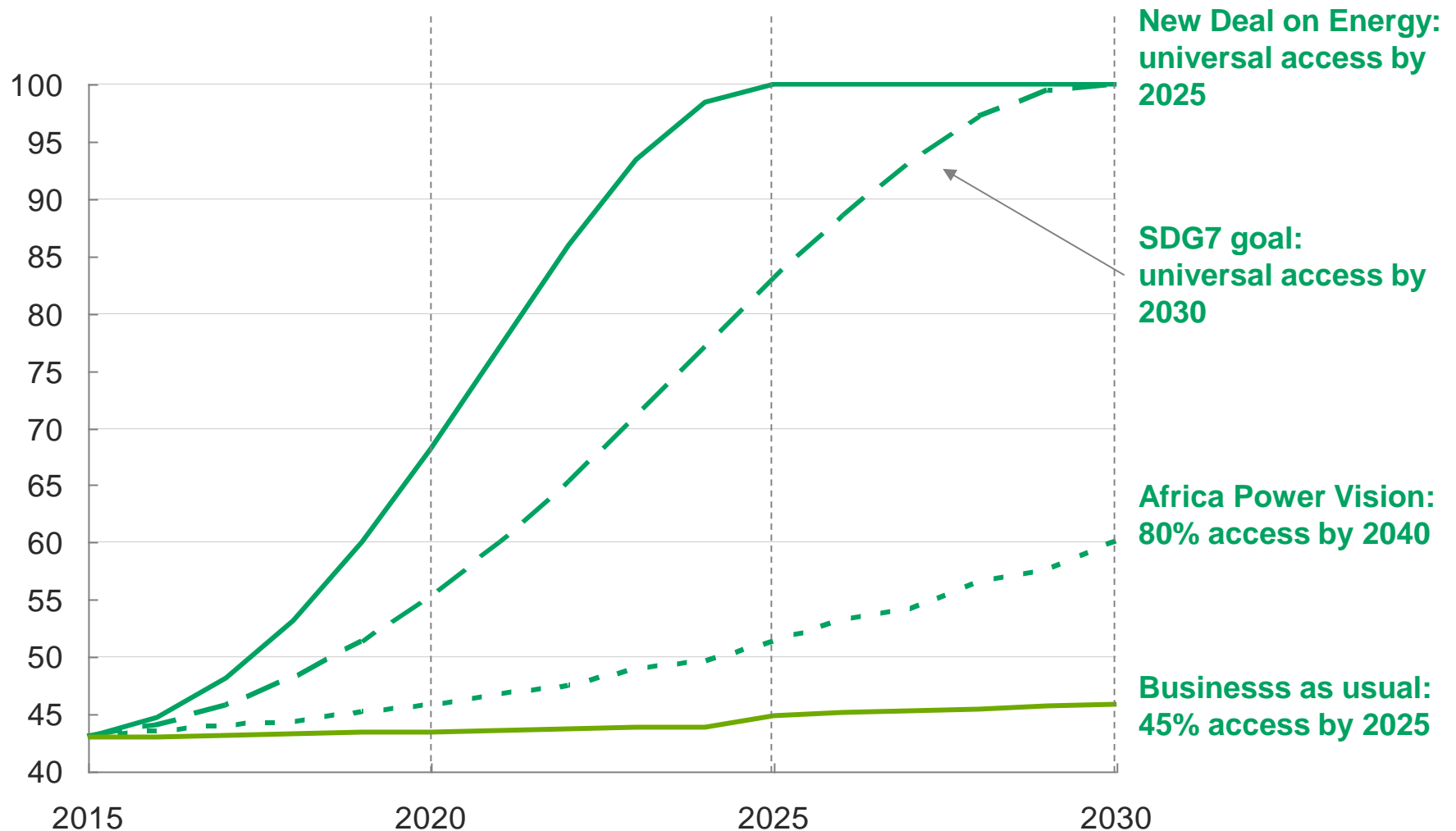
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The business as usual scenario is untenable and the New Deal on Energy aspires to achieve universal access by 2025



Africa's access to electricity, % of population



Universal access by 2025 means connecting over 200 million households and nearly doubling grid generation capacity

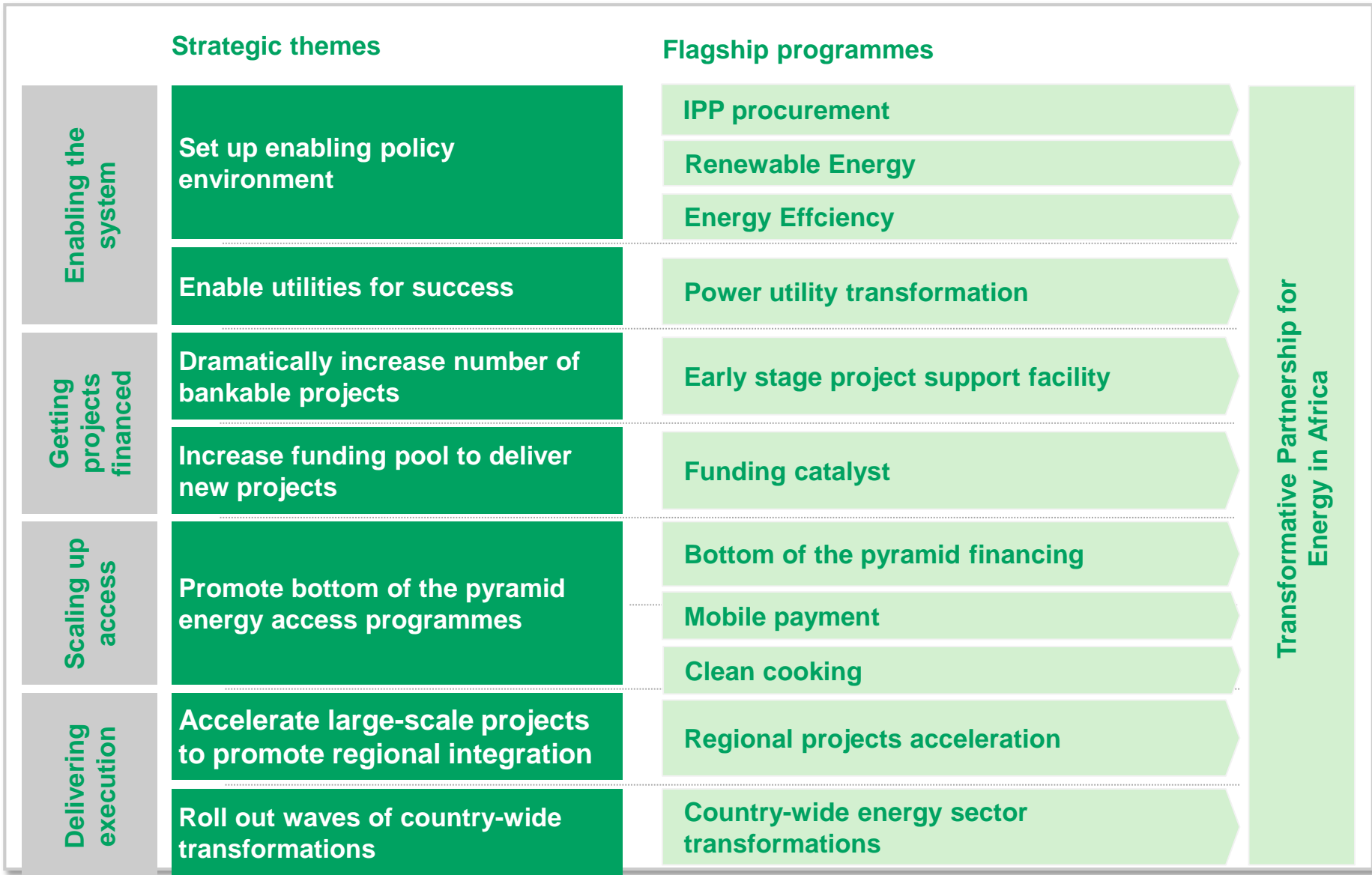


	From current energy situation in Africa		To universal access in 2025	
Population, <i>M</i>	1 174	x1.3	1 499	
GDP, \$ <i>bn</i>	2 175	x1.7	3 742	
Electrification rate, %	43%	x2.3	97%	
Households connected, <i>M</i>	87	X3.6	292	+130 M new on-grid connections
Grid	83	x2.6	213	
Off-grid	4	x20	79	+75 M new off-grid connections
Grid capacity, <i>GW</i>	170	x1.9	332	+160 GW of new capacity
Consumption <i>kWh/capita</i>	613	x1.5	941	
Households using clean cooking, <i>M</i>	70	X3.1	220	+150 M with clean cooking solutions

1 Assuming 100% urban electrification and 95% rural electrification

2 Out of 234m households in 2015 and 300m households in 2025

Flagship programmes will support the strategic themes





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Thank you!

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