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The Power of the SE4All Action Agenda and Investment Prospectus

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Sustainable Energy for All

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Mission

- Coordinate and facilitate SE4All implementation in Africa (CEMA Nov. 2012)

Operating Principles

- African ownership
- “Light” structure
- Results orientation

Activities

- ✓ Coordination and facilitation
- ✓ Information sharing and match-making
- ✓ Mobilization of financing
- ✓ Monitoring, evaluation and reporting



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SE4All AA and IP

Key steps for achieving SE4All objectives



ACTION AGENDA

- The AA is a strategy-driven and **holistic** document that intends to determine how the three goals of SE4All could be achieved by 2030
- Umbrella framework for the sector that includes nexus angles
- **Long-term vision** which ensures the sector-wide **coherence and synergy** of accumulated efforts towards SE4All goals
- Developed in an inclusive manner

INVESTMENT PROSPECTUS(ES)

- The IPs provide an approach to operationalizing the Country Action Agenda
- Short- to medium-term set of investment opportunities (3-5 years)
- Conversation starter for a variety of investment opportunities that will provide preliminary information to prospective investors

The Power of 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 Power of AA

Country views

Country views on the AA expressed at the SE4All Forum

- Provides a **framework to align stakeholder objectives**
- A long term view of the sector and a **holistic planning tool** integrated to the broader policy framework of the country
- Identifies sector gaps and suggests actions to address gaps and costs achieving targets
- **Central repository** of resources for the purpose of coordination of SE4All as well as defining follow-up actions
- A **platform for sharing experiences** on best practices
- A tool to **accelerate the mobilization of needed investment** into the sector

“The Action Agenda is as much a holistic planning tool encompassing our long-term vision as it is a framework to help align stakeholder objectives and partner interventions to mobilize necessary investments.”

Alain Harelimana, Advisor to the Ministry of Infrastructure of Rwanda



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The Power of AA

Implementation tool for SDG 7

The **Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7** — which aims to ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all by 2030 — will be adopted end of September in New York. Implementation will be key for Africa.

“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



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The Power of AA and IP

Mobilizing support and investments

Mobilizing support and investments:

- Provides partners (public and private) with a clear roadmap of what the country envisages to undertake (link to monitoring and tracking)
- Provide development partners with a guiding tool for assistance to the country (link to inclusive development process)
- Provides countries with a tool to identify investment opportunities as a “live rolling” document with new opportunities being added
- Benefit from the convening power of SE4All to promote plans and assist with matchmaking between potential investors and facilitating access to finance from available resources of partners

“Promote the SE4All Investment Prospectus as a tool to mobilize the required financing for accomplishing both SE4All’s objectives and those of the proposed SDG 7 on energy ”

SE4All Energy Access Committee, May 2015



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Where do we stand?

Countries developing AAs – October 2015

SE4All Action Agendas are under development or finalized in **half of the African countries**



West Africa is following a coordinated regional approach under ECREEE lead

Several East African countries, including Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda advanced on the AA.

In 2015, AfDB and UNDP supports AA/IP processes in Angola, DRC, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Cameroon and Swaziland

AA processes well advanced

Starting AA process

SE4ALL Partner country



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In total, some 27 countries have embarked on the process

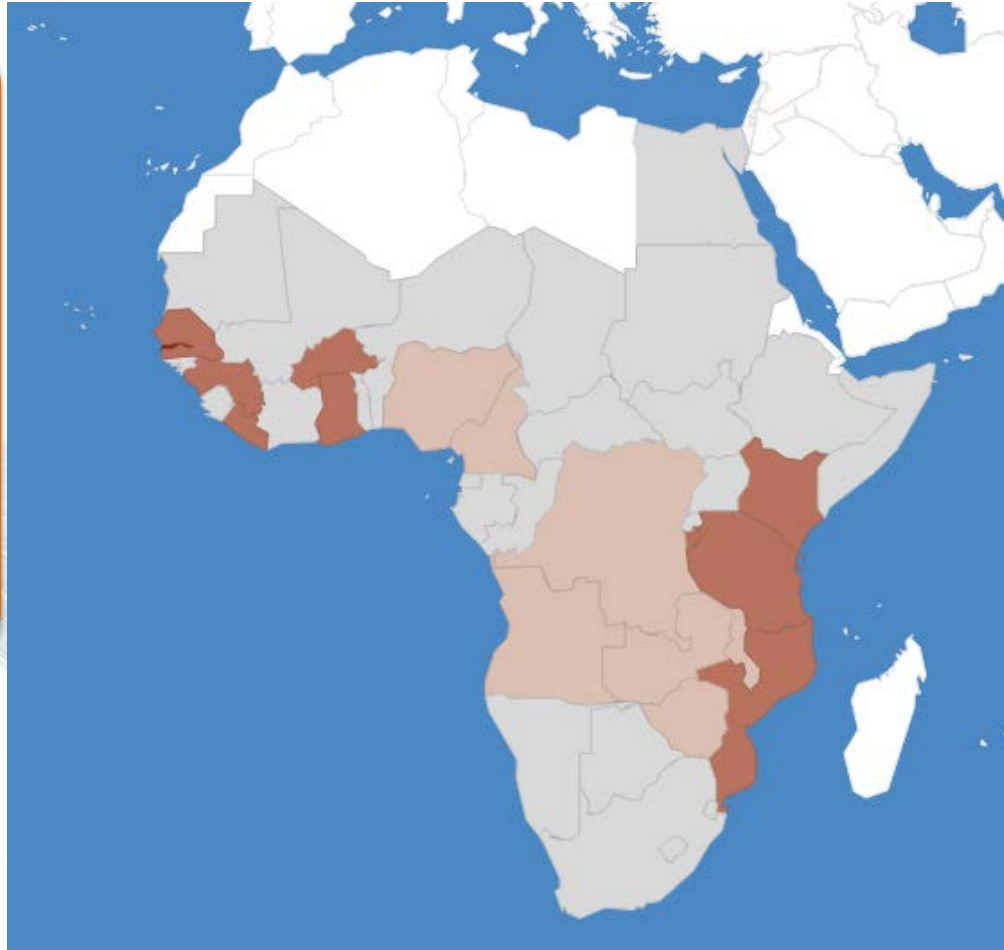
Where do we stand?

Countries developing IPs – October 2015

SE4All Investment Prospectuses are under development in several countries

IPs under development in:

Burkina Faso
Burundi
Ghana
Guinea
Kenya
Liberia
Mozambique
Senegal
Tanzania
Gambia (*validated*)



IP processes starting in 2015 including in:
Angola
Cameroon
DRC
Malawi
Nigeria
Zambia
Zimbabwe

- IP processes ongoing
- IP processes starting
- SE4ALL Partner country

In total, some 17 countries have embarked on the process



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Some initial lessons learned

Processes and Institutions

- AAs are built on current country priorities
- Consultation processes should be a building block rather than tick the box
- High-level and inter-ministerial coordination needs increased emphasis
- SE4All Country Focal Point Teams need to be institutionalized
- Importance of ownership of individuals and institutions. Absorptive capacity major concern
- Challenge of multi-stakeholder approach and cross-sector coordination

Contents and Implementation

- Lack of sufficient data major obstacle to setting targets and defining actions
- The AA Template helps structuring AA but needs to be adjusted to national circumstances
- The link between HIOs and AAs need to be better defined
- AAs focus mainly on electricity, and not enough on energy services (although clean cooking featured prominently in some)
- Renewable Energy (on- and off-grid) are generally well covered in the AAs but Energy Efficiency appears to receive less attention
- Nexus targets are not always sufficiently well developed



The Power of AA and IP

Realizing the full potential

The AA/IPs are powerful tools. To realize their full potential requires:

1/ High quality outcomes of AA/IP processes:

- Application of recently established “quality circle” as country support mechanism: first countries to benefit Nigeria and Tanzania
- Ensuring required high-level buy-in, and inclusive development process
- Involvement of HIOs and thematic Hubs in the development and follow-up processes

2/ Concerted follow-up to AA/IPs:

- AA to be formally recognized as coordination and implementation tool for emerging SDG 7
- Promotion/marketing for mobilizing finance for implementation of AA/IPs
- Structured follow-up to AA/IPs (targeted support packages, market-place for IPs)

3/ Strengthening of SE4All focal points/offices



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