



POWER AFRICA A U.S. GOVERNMENT-LED PARTNERSHIP

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A U.S. government-led partnership, Power Africa harnesses the collective resources of the public and private sectors to double access to electricity in sub-Saharan Africa. Since 2013, Power Africa has helped deliver new or improved electricity to more than 207.9 million people across sub-Saharan Africa. Catalyzing U.S. government and partner investments over the past ten years, Power Africa has leveraged nearly \$26 billion for 154 power projects across the continent for 14,311 megawatts of new electricity that will power over 43.1 million households and businesses. Over 8,000 megawatts of new, cleaner, and more reliable electricity are already online.

OUR GOALS



Add more than

30,000 MW of cleaner and more reliable electricity generation capacity



Connect
60 MILLION
new homes and businesses
to power by 2030

7 Countries

HOW WE WORK

Power Africa, which includes 12 U.S. government agencies, partners with African governments, the private sector, international organizations, and bilateral and multilateral donors to stimulate investment in sub-Saharan Africa's energy sector.

Our unique approach is defined by:



African-led Reform: Power Africa works with African governments to fill critical skills gaps, drive reforms, and build and maintain power sectors for generations to come.



On-the-Ground Support: Power Africa's in-country advisors identify the technical, financial, and political solutions needed to facilitate faster access to power for local communities, major cities, and regional power pools. They work closely with our partners to provide and implement these solutions.



Transaction Focus: Power Africa addresses the critical impediments that hinder progress of a particular deal, creating a ripple effect that assists other deals facing similar issues in the country. Our approach to reforming Africa's energy sector is to work with governments and the private sector to strengthen an enabling environment with laws and policies that attract investment.



Working Beyond the Grid: Power Africa partners with investors and companies to implement small-scale and off-grid energy solutions, such as solar home systems, micro-grids, and mini-grid connections, to increase people's access to electricity in remote communities.



Bridging the Financing Gap: Power Africa works through partners, including the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation, using tools such as credit guarantees and first-loss capital, to de-risk investments so that public and private investors can fund projects that drive more electricity generation and connections.



Empowering and Powering Women: Recognizing that men and women experience energy poverty differently, and historically have had unequal access to energy-related opportunities, Power Africa supports projects, programs, and policies that value women as energy consumers and that promote women's participation and leadership in the energy sector workforce.

OUR PRIORITIES



Ending Energy Poverty





Bolstering U.S. and African Private **Sector Innovation**



























