

AGENDA CDD JUST ENERGY TRANSITION CONFERENCE

Date: Thursday, 14 July 2022, 08:30 to 13:00 (CAT) **Venue:** Meliã hotel, Maputo and via video conference on Zoom **Languages:** Portuguese and English. Simultaneous interpretationwill be provided.

<u>Background</u>

The transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy is a global imperative. Resource rich countries must adapt their model of economic governance to manage their resources more effectively and become more resilient to global changes that threaten to leave citizens behind. Although the current energy transition is mainly driven by environmental sustainability concerns, it will only succeed if it simultaneously provides energy security and access, and facilitates economic growth and development.

This year's news have been dominated by concerns over urgent need for a global energy system transformation. The energy transition is a pathway toward to reduce energy-related CO₂ emissions to limit climate change. Mozambique faces the most severe effects of climate change, despite having the least responsibility for the problem. Intense and frequent droughts, floods and storms have already affected the lives of 70 percent of the population. In March and April 2019, two devastating cyclones affected Mozambique, namely Idai and Kenneth. Hundreds of people died and millions were in need of humanitarian support such as access to clean water, food and shelter. Idai was considered the second deadliest cyclone to hit the Southern Hemisphere, while Kenneth was the strongest to hit Africa.

Among other emerging measures, adaptation to climate change involves embracing an adequate model of energy transition in the formulation of policies. An inclusive energy supply can only be accomplished through a fair participation on all stages of Energy Transitions to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and universal access to modern energy by 2030 (SDG7).

Despite being endowed with important sources of renewable energy (hydro, biomass, solar and wind) as well as fossil fuels (natural gas and coal), Mozambique's national grid only serves around 31 percent of the population. The country still faces the challenge of boosting economic development and creating employment opportunities for a growing young population. This objective cannot be achieved without energy. Without decentralized systems of renewable energy, Mozambique will be vulnerable to underdevelopment, high levels of unemployment, migration crisis and instability.

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On the other hand, lower global demand for non-renewable energy commodities (especially fossil fuels) due to decarbonization will reduce the international price of these commodities and jeopardize the value of Mozambique's wealth. The transition to low carbon involves a substantial transformation of the economy that will need public policy support to overcome the presence of potential market fail.

CDD brings actors from different disciplines together with organisations from the wider world to zoom in and find together synergies to accelerate action towards Just Energy Transition.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

This event will bring together national and international actors to discuss the challenges and solutions for building a Just Energy Transition in Mozambique.

The conference will address two main questions:

1. How to promote equal opportunities and social inclusion on investment in decentralised and affordable mixed energy systems – Defining the justice dimensions of Energy Transition.

- The event will try to identify different approaches to define the inclusivity dimension;
- Youth/gender perspectives;
- The role of Civil society on the ground.

2. How to Accelerate Mozambique's energy access, scaling up renewable energy deployment and achieve economic growth – advising to designing a transformational policy.

- Possible synergies to combine public and private investments for funding energy access for the most vulnerable;
- Implications of international measures on the domestic economy (CBAM);
- The opportunity to diversify the economy.

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Moderator: Energy Project Manager, CDD

08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-09:05	Welcome by Prof. Adriano Nuvunga - Executive Director, CDD
09:05-09:45	 <i>Opening remarks</i> 4. Hon. Gurbuz Gonul - Director, Country Engagement and Partnerships Division, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA). 4. Hon. Cesar Mba Abogo - Country Director, AfDB 4. Hon. Laurence Janssens - Belgium Cooperation 4. Hon. Helen Pataki - USAID/Mozambique Managing Director <i>Outer of Honor Address</i> 4. H.E. Lothar Freischlader - Ambassador of Germany 4. Hon. Kajsa Johansson - Deputy Head of Mission, Sweden Embassy 4. M.E. António Sanchez-Benedito Gaspar - Ambassador, European Union 4. H.E. António Osvaldo Saíde - Deputy Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy (MIREME)
09:45-10:00	Transformative Actions <i>(sharing progress on energy transition)</i> • Eng.ª Olga Madeira Utchavo – Renewable Energy Director, EDM • Emídio Amadebai – Country Director, Engie Energy Access

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Panel 1: Inclusivity and Justice dimensions of Energy Transition

How to promote equal opportunities and social inclusion on investment in decentralized and affordable mixed energy systems – Defining the Justice dimension of Energy Transition.

- Roberto Vigotti Secretary General, Res4Africa
- Veronica Zano Regional Program Advisor-Extractive Industry, Oxfam Southern Africa Cluster
- Américo Maluana Researcher, CDD
- Taciana Peão Lopes Mozambique Women of Energy

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10:30-10:45	Q&A
10:45-11:00	Coffe-Break
11:00-11:15	 Transformative Actions (sharing support actions to Energy Transition): German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) Dra. Fátima Artur – Policy and Research Advisor, BRILHO/ SNV
11:15-11:45	 Panel 2: Policy Change for Just Energy Transition How to Accelerate Mozambique's energy access, scaling up renewable energy deployment and achieve economic growth – advising to designing a transformational policy. Titus Gwemende – Climate Director, Open Society Foundation Eng.^a Isalia Dimende – FUNAE Eng.^a Felisbela Cunhete – Member of the Board of Directors, ARENE AMER Moderator: Jocelyne Machevo – Energy Specialist
12:00-12:15	Final remarks: Dr Enilde Sarmento - National Director for Economic and Financial Studies, MEF
12:00-13:00	Cocktail

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