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Good practices in the promotion of Renewable Energy in  
Africa

# Background

- Access to energy is a condition for human well-being.
- Two thirds of the African population do not have access to electricity services.
- Solutions to energy access in Africa lie in the transition to renewable energy.
- Africa has abundant potential for renewable energy. Sunniest continent.

# Existing Initiatives

Many initiatives and programmes being implemented across the continent to promote RE:

- The African-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme.
- Africa Renewable Energy Initiative.
- African Energy Transition Programme.

# Prospects for Renewable Energy in Africa.

- Africa could avoid the fossil fuel trap.
- Coordination mechanism such as AREI.
- Opportunity for collaboration.
- Growing demand.

# Key features for successful Renewable energy initiatives

- Local ownership.
- Promote distributed, flexible, and democratized energy systems.
- Incorporate Multi-stakeholder participation and community focus.
- Energy for what?
- Social and environmental safeguards.
- New models of interaction.

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# Final Remarks



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Africa has the potential  
to offer leadership.



Strong and well-  
functioning civil society  
engagement.



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