

# Mozambique vision for the energy sector and priority projects



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# Catalysing Sustainable Off-Grid Energy Investment

*Partnering with Europe to Accelerate Mozambique's Energy Transition*

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About Us

## *Who We Are*

The **Fundo de Energia, FP (FUNAE)** is Mozambique's national public institution responsible for expanding access to modern energy in rural and off-grid areas.

Established in **1997**, FUNAE operates with administrative and financial autonomy under the **Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy** – giving it the mandate and flexibility to drive impactful, on-the-ground change.

# Mozambique Energy Fund (FUNAE)

## Our Mandate

### Universal Access

- Promoting universal access to modern, affordable, and sustainable energy services.



### Off-Grid Solutions

- Develop and deploy decentralised electrification solutions — mini-grids, solar home systems, and stand-alone units.



### Productive Use

- Promote energy as a driver of local economic activity, supporting agriculture, health, education, and enterprises.



### Finance Mobilisation

- Mobilise and manage financing for decentralised renewable energy projects across the country.



# Mozambique Energy Fund (FUNAE)

## State Implementing Agency (1997–2020)

- Construction & operation of public mini-grids
- Scale-up of SHS and clean cooking solutions (ICS)
- Limited private sector participation in delivery
- Rollout of core sector planning instruments

1997–2020

## Market Enabler (2020–2024)

- Initial engagement of private operators for FUNAE mini-grids
- Support to project preparation for mini-grid investments
- Results-based approaches expanded in SHS/ICS programs for private sector

2020–2024

## Market Enabler & Fund Manager (2025+)

- Scaling private operation & long-term O&M of mini-grids
- Fund management and mobilization of new instruments
- Technical assistance to developers and local ecosystem
- Deployment of blended finance & risk-sharing mechanisms

2025

## Off-Grid Regulatory Framework (2021–2023)

- Decree 93/2021: Regulation for Energy Access in Off-Grid Areas
- Electricity Law 12/2022: updated sector-wide legal basis
- Regulator rules (2022/23): tariffs, interconnection, technical & safety standards, quality of service

## Private Sector Milestones (2024–2026)

- RFQ tender preparation for mini-grids 2025 (first wave)
- First privately owned mini-grid projects emerging (2024)
- Pipeline scaling through competitive tenders (2026+)

# Market Enabler & Fund Manager

## Strategic Direction



Mozambique is undergoing a **fundamental strategic shift** — moving away from a model where the government directly implements off-grid energy projects toward one where **FUNAE acts as a catalyst**.

### Mobilise Finance

Attract concessional, blended, and private capital to the sector.

### Enable the Private Sector

Create conditions for developers and investors to deploy solutions at scale.

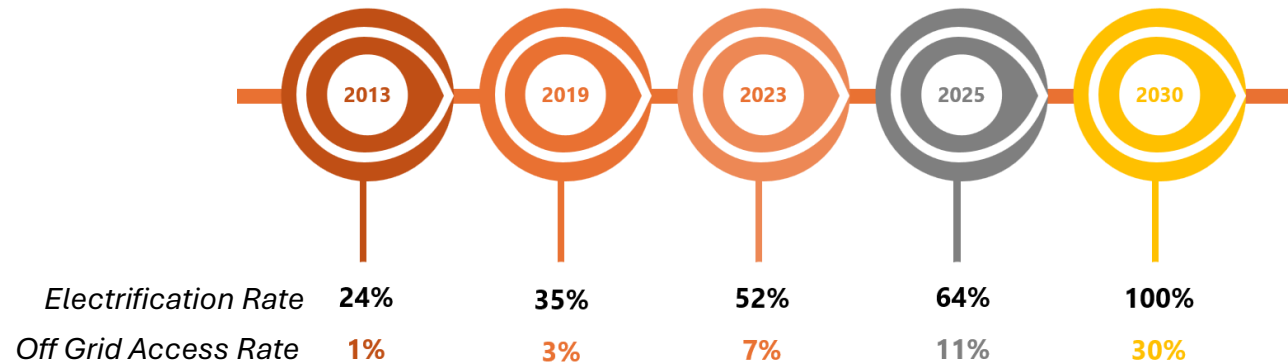
# Current Off-Grid Energy Context



## Population

- 32.4 million people
  - 34.7 % Urban areas
  - 65.3 % Rural areas

*30% of 2030 access expected from off-grid solutions.*



# The Off-grid Sector



## Achieved

- +100 Mini-grids
- +700 000 SHS
- +3.5 millions people connected



## Funding

- Deployed:**
- Donors: + US\$143 millions
  - Government: + US\$100 millions

**Pipeline: > US\$70M**



## Financial instruments

- Grants
- Results-based financing
- Subsidies
- Technical assistance



## Main stakeholders

- Public institutions  
**(MIREME & ARENE)**
- Private sector
- Development Partners

**Accelerating and Scaling up** is crucial to achieving **Universal Energy Access by 2030**

# Government-led national coordination mechanism

The national mini-grid platform acts as a **government-led coordination mechanism** to drive energy access in Mozambique.

## Main role:

- Provide strategic guidance aligned with national policies;
- Foster collaboration among public institutions, development partners, private sector, civil society, and local communities;
- Mobilize diverse financial resources for mini-grid development;
- Supports monitoring and evaluation framework.



In essence the platform's role is to accelerate the deployment of inclusive, sustainable mini-grids while aligning efforts across sectors and maximizing impact on socio-economic development.

# Government-led national coordination mechanism

## Country Platform

DNE/  
UIPEC

FUNAE

ARENE

EDM

DEV.  
PARTNERS

PRIVATE  
SECTOR

Coordinated decision making to enable the acceleration of mini-grids



- Country ownership and leadership
- **Coordination and efficiency** across government, private sector and international partners.
- Access to finance and mobilisation

# Accelerating Private Sector Participation

**+ 100**  
**Solar Mini-Grids**

Investment Model – BUILD-OWN-OPERATE -TRANSFER

## **Design & Build**

Private developers lead construction

## **Financial Incentives**

Government-backed support included

## **Technical Support**

Full implementation assistance

**Coordinated under Mozambique's Country Platform**

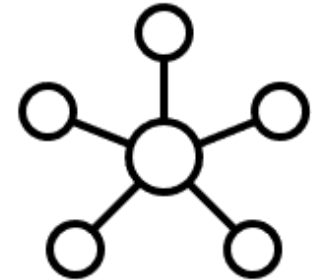
# From Reform to Scale

**Mozambique has established the regulatory, institutional and financial foundations to scale decentralized renewable energy nationwide.**

Through the Country Platform, we are aligning institutions, coordinating finance, and preparing a structured national mini-grid program.

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**This afternoon, we move from readiness to opportunity.**





# THANK YOU OBRIGADO

**Afternoon Session:**

*Project Pipeline & Investment Windows*

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