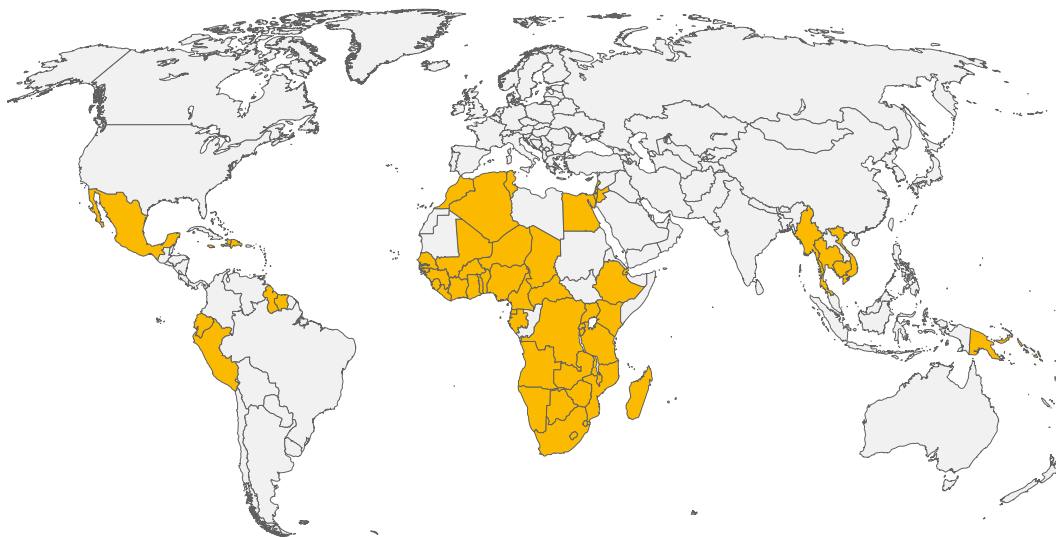


## The EU Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility (2004–2018)



The EU Energy Initiative Partnership Dialogue Facility (EUEI PDF) was set up in 2004 by the European Commission and several EU Member States as a **an implementation instrument of the EU Energy Initiative (EUEI)**; a joint forum to coordinate development cooperation in the area of energy. It was one of the first European multi-donor programmes and successfully contributed to the development and implementation of an EU agenda in energy development cooperation.

For **more than 13 years**, the EUEI PDF conducted interventions in **35 countries** in **Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Pacific region**. In addition to the core themes of energy access, renewable energy, energy efficiency and energy security, it explored the increasingly interlinked topics of energy and climate change, cities, migration and

gender. With its activities, the EUEI PDF contributed to the goals of the **Paris Climate Agreement** and the **Agenda 2030**.



Initially tasked with facilitating policy dialogue and supporting integration of energy into national and regional strategies of developing countries, over the years the EUEI PDF grew into a platform hosting several programmes. In its final phase, the EUEI PDF:

- ▶ supported the EU's donor coordination forum (EUEI),
- ▶ acted as secretariat to the Africa-EU Energy Partnership (AEEP),
- ▶ provided strategic energy advisory services (SEADS),
- ▶ and implemented the Africa-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme (RECP).

After more than a decade, the EUEI PDF came to an end in March 2018. The experience gained from this multi-donor programme will be carried into the new Global Energy Transformation Programme GET.pro.



## The Achievements



From 2015 to 2018, the EUEI PDF supported the EU Energy Initiative – a donor forum – where European member states come together to discuss joint action in energy development cooperation.

- ▶ The EUEI PDF provided technical and organisational **support to the EUEI Energy Initiative** (9 meetings), **improved information exchange** (among others via 20 editions of the EUEI Bulletin) and **informed political decision-making** with 5 **policy briefs and studies** on pressing topics (e.g. the migration debate, job creation, SDG7).
- ▶ The study “The European Portfolio on Energy in International Development Cooperation” was considered a key milestone to enhance the coordination of European efforts around this topic.
- ▶ More than 80% of the EUEI members rated the support service as helpful for improving coordination of policies and funding.



Running the Secretariat of the Africa-EU Energy Partnership (AEEP), the EUEI PDF successfully promoted cooperation between the European and the African Union in the energy sector.

- ▶ The Secretariat facilitated **strategic dialogue** by bringing together **politicians and energy practitioners** from different **EU and African member states** (for instance at more than 10 stakeholder meetings). Different knowledge products (e.g. mapping of African and European initiatives) and contributions to G7 and G20 processes **informed political decision-making**.
- ▶ The Secretariat further strengthened African institutions (such as the African Union Commission and Regional Energy Communities) in the energy sector to help fulfil their mandate and successfully introduced the perspective of the youth into the Partnership.



The Strategic Energy Advisory and Dialogue Services (SEADS) supported partner countries in establishing sustainable energy systems to meet their international energy and climate goals.

- ▶ From 2015 to 2018, the support resulted in the development of 18 **policies, strategies and improved regulatory frameworks**, strengthening of 7 **energy institutions**, and 6 completed **studies on innovative topics** such as climate and energy, migration, and national electrification planning.
- ▶ Partners and stakeholders rated over 80% of SEADS support as positive, 18% exceeded expectations.



From 2010 to 2018, the EUEI PDF implemented the Africa-EU Renewable Energy Cooperation Programme (RECP), focusing on renewable energy market and skills development. As a result:

- ▶ 42 **projects benefitted from RECP support**; if only 50% of the projected impacts materialise, it will provide 1.5 million users with energy access and cut annual emissions by 680,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>.
- ▶ European and African **companies explored business opportunities** in over 4,500 business-to-business meetings, and 186 companies acquired first-hand market experience during 4 **trade missions**.
- ▶ African universities set up 2 **Master programmes in renewable energy**.

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In its final phase (2015–2018), the EUEI PDF received contributions from

