OFF-GRID INNOVATION CHALLENGE: SYNTHESIS REPORT-2019

Programmes, Initiatives and Collaboration of Participating Countries

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OBJECTIVES OF IC2

The objective for the Off-Grid Access to Electricity Innovation Challenge is to develop renewable systems that are cheaper than fossil fuel for affordable access to electricity by off grid.

For individual homes, the objective is to support the significant reduction in price and increase performance of renewable power systems by 2020 and for remote communities, by 2020 to demonstrate in diverse geographic and climate conditions, the robust, reliable, autonomous operation of renewable power systems up to around 100 kW at a significant lower cost than present cost.
FOREWORD

I am happy to note that Mission Innovation countries under IC2 Innovation Challenge have come together to address the challenge of providing cost effective and robust Off Grid solutions. Off Grid Energy strives to deliver, efficient, low carbon, grid quality power solutions for people, unapproachable from main Grid. The development of smart technology that delivers affordable, high performance off-grid energy access solutions are requisite. Often the off-grid power is generated by the solar panels, wind turbines or others, with battery support for its use, as and when required, which cannot be used for energy intensive appliances that are used in a mains-connected house. Development of energy efficient appliance, therefore, assumes greater importance.

Quality of life of Rural people is greatly enhanced by the availability of decent lighting, pumping, refrigeration and audio-visual/communication systems. However, matching voltage pumps, fridges, lights and other appliances with appropriate power sources is not always easy or straightforward, which calls for standardization of off-grid technologies to position them as cost-effective and technically viable alternatives.

In remote communities, mini-Grids are designed to meet the needs of a village or cluster of villages, and these can provide a higher level of electricity services than solar home systems, potentially also supporting productive enterprises. The research and innovation on maintenance free, cost effective, self-healing architecture and control of these mini-Grid is a challenge. Moreover, since the operation by the remote rural community need strong sense of ownership and therefore, building community buy-in and skilled human resource is essential.

The sustainable off-grid energy access can be a driver for increasing villagers’ incomes through raising the productivity of existing, and introducing new, enterprises.

I am sure that this report will provide information about initiatives taken by different MI countries to develop Off Grid solutions and would be useful for individual scientists, institution and stakeholders in Mission Innovation Countries and beyond.

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EMPER PROJECT (2018-2019)
Independent Energy Producers

**Project Leader:** Benoo Energies
**Partners:** Entreprises Territoires et Development

**Project Location:** Togo

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Benoo allows African entrepreneurs to become independent energy producers.

This is possible thanks to two solutions:

- The energy agency, which is a solar kiosk equipped with a storage system that allows the entrepreneur to sell the services induced by the production of energy: telephone charging / freezing / lighting / multimedia. These are priority services for the villages. The entrepreneur can rent the agency or buy it under financial lease.

- A mobile application that allows the entrepreneur to carry out predictive surveys on village needs, manage mobile payments, record his turnover and monitor his installation. Benoo uses Artificial intelligence (AI) to analyze a diverse set of data on rural electrification and to predict how to deploy the next rural electrification solutions.

The project will allow the testing and improvement of the energy agency and the mobile application, as well as the training of local entrepreneurs.

The number of direct project beneficiaries is 24,623 with primary beneficiaries being Entrepreneurs and villagers.
SISAM (2018-2021)

An enhanced solar irrigation solution for market gardening

Project Leader: Electriciens Sans Frontières
Partners: DAKUPA, JARC, Action Bénin Solidarité (ABS), PRACTICA, Positive Planet International Développement (ETD)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Improved access to irrigation water for small market-garden holdings (<1ha)
- Poverty reduction and reinforced food availability
- Benefits mainly women and children

Solution constructed by and for local actors (rural associations, private companies, institutions)
- Innovative technology
- Local production: pump assembly with local components.
- Performance: new technologies adapted to soil depth and to small surface areas for irrigation.
- Usage: solar powered motors with the possibility of manual use.
- Lifespan: over 20 years

Better access to finance
- Costs: decrease of acquisition and running costs
- Micro-financing: improved credit conditions
- Management: support before and after equipment acquisition
- Delays: the reality of agricultural constraints taken into account

Maintenance
- Training of distributors and end-users
- Maintenance kit available
- Easy availability of spare parts

Environment
- Evaluation of water resources
- Good irrigation practices encouraged
- 100% renewable energy (solar)
- Possibility of recycling wearing parts

The project has 1000 direct beneficiaries (more than 100 family farms; private sector capacity building) with a sustainable irrigation solution made available to 70000 farmers.
BTI (Biocharbon Typha Industrial) (2018-2020)
Industrial Typha Bio-charcoal

Project Leader: Gret
Partners: ISET - Institut Supérieur d’Enseignement Technologique (Rosso, Mauritania)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION
Implementation of a pilot industrial production line: sustainable biomass energy using typha.

The Senegal River borders the South of Mauritania, a safe Sahelian country whose deserts have inspired travelers for generations. This river is the nation’s main source of potable water and irrigation. Yet, an invasive reed, the typha, has spread into this precious lifeline between Sahel and Sahara: typha clogs over 40,000 hectares, causing the abandonment of farmland, rural exodus and an increase in waterborne diseases.

On the other hand, the most vulnerable urban dwellers depend on charcoal for cooking, which represents a high and unavoidable cost for their food security: it generates energy poverty and accelerates the deforestation of an already extremely arid natural environment.

Since 2011, Gret and ISET have developed and tested technologies to transform typha into charcoal. This renewable fuel has been tested in market conditions and revealed itself perfectly fit to replace wood charcoal to a large extent. Additionally, its usage is healthier and cheaper.

From 2011 to 2016, a pilot semi-industrial production line has been developed, tested and calibrated at ISET. All the technical and maintenance issues are handled locally: this solution is ready to be transferred to the private sector.

The BTI project will transfer the production technology from ISET to a Mauritanian private company and create the enabling environment for its commercial success. In particular, the project will:

• Secure access rights to typha at scale, with due respect to the water environment and its traditional users
• Set up a stable and reliable raw material supply for the sustainable fuel company;
• Install a production capacity of 1000T of green charcoal per year;
• Promote the product to consumers and distribution partners;
• Foster a supportive regulatory environment to speed up its development.

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Hydrokinetic River Turbine

**Project Leader:** Guinard Energies  
**Partners:** GRET, SM3E, Ambatoloana municipality

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Madagascar energy access through a hybrid system including a hydrokinetic river turbine

Step 1: Demonstration project of a hybrid electricity generation system including the hydrokinetic turbine P66. The hydrokinetic device produces 24h/24. Combined with panels and batteries, the system provides stable and continuous electricity access.

Step 2: Assessment of the hydrokinetic energy potential of remote locations in the North-east of Madagascar and realization of a business analysis.

River current measurements:
- Site location with GIS tools
- Measurement during dry and wet seasons
- Yearly electricity production assessment

Business:
- Business model
- Financial analysis
- Economic field evaluation

The project will thus:
- Promote Guinard Energies hydrokinetic turbine potential
- Reduce GHG emissions and protect the environment.
- Provide energy access through hydrokinetic turbines in off-grid areas of the North-East of Madagascar.

**Project Location:** North-east of Madagascar, Analamanga Region Amboarakely: 100 households, 600 people.

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DESOLFU (2018-2019)
Sea water solar destination plant in Furna

**Project Leader:** Mascara Renewable Water  
**Partners:** ELSEG, Furna municipality, fishermen association

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**
Construction of a 20m³/day sea water solar desalination plant in Salamansa: OSMOSUN®20

- Designed for autonomous operation in isolated sites with few technical and logistical infrastructures: low maintenance needs.
- 100% powered by a 22 kwp solar generator and no battery: no fuel consumption
- Drinking water production cost: 1,5€ / m³

The involvement of local partners will guarantee the success and durability of the water supply in Salamansa. OSMOSUN®20 projects-like will be replicated in the several isolated islands of Cape Verde and the Pacific, as well as in the Caribbean Region.

Presently at the project location there is severe water stress: only 6 liters of unsanitary water available per person per day, at the prohibitive price of 6€/m³.

This has a negative impact on the population’s health and prevents the island’s touristic and economic development.
Lateral Electrification
Towards a new power infrastructure development path for Africa

**Project Leader:** Nanoé
**Partners:** Sintogno, Michaud Export, Club ER

**Project Location:** The Project aims to connect over 5,000 households in the Diana region (Madagascar) and train over 100 local entrepreneurs by June 2019.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

The project aims to implement in the North of Madagascar an innovative electrification model for rural Africa, based on the collaborative building of smart power grids from the bottom up.

**What?**
Lateral electrification is a process of diffusion and progressive interconnection of basic smart units of power production, storage and distribution called “Nanogrids”, owned and operated by local entrepreneurs.

**Why?**
To answer off-grid households’ basic energy needs more rapidly, flexibly and affordably than individual solar systems, while participating in the progressive building of 21st century infrastructures in Africa (decentralized, decarbonized and smart).

**How?**
Thanks to innovative technological (apps, mobile payment solutions, Smart energy management systems) and organizational (franchising, access to finance, ad hoc PPP) solutions developed by the Project’s partners.
MI-OFF GRID PROJECTS FROM FRANCE

Pay as you go and microfinance in Benin (2018-2019)

**Project Leader:** Pamiga  
**Partners:** ARESS, MyJouleBox

**Project Location:** Benin

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

The national electrification rate is 29% and drops down to 5.5% in rural areas in Benin. More than 7 million people do not have access to the grid.

The project aims to provide the access to energy through individual solar solutions, a financing mechanism handled by microfinance institutions and the development of the distribution network in rural areas made of energy entrepreneurs. The goal is to hand 5000 solar solutions out and train 50 entrepreneurs.

The overall project will result in the development of partnership agreements with microfinance institutions, establishment of a monitoring and maintenance platform, establishment of a network of energy entrepreneurs, impact assessment to scale up the project.

PAMIGA (Participatory Microfinance Group for Africa), a French NGO providing technical assistance to microfinance institutions in sub-Saharan Africa, will lead the project.

The project will develop innovative partnerships between ARESS, MyJouleBox and local microfinance institutions allowing each partner to focus on its field of expertise: access to renewable energy for ARESS, research and development for MyJouleBox and financing for microfinance institutions. The financing of the solar solutions will be provided by microfinance institutions instead of the pay-as-you-go distributors, reducing their financial burden and the responsibility of credit management. ARESS will ensure marketing, distribution, installation and after-sales services of PAYGO solar solutions, through the development of a rural network of Energy Entrepreneurs that will tackle the “last mile” issue.

The PAYGO meter developed by MyJouleBox is backed by a digital platform for monitoring customers, payments and consumption in real time. It offers a technical flexibility allowing a gradual increase of the system capabilities and financial flexibility: pay-per-view via mobile phone services and microfinance networks, while securing the loan through remote deactivation of the system.

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Pivert (2018-2020)
Rural Enterprise Clusters for green innovation, Energy and Processing

Project Leader: SENS France
Partners: SENS Benin, GIC, CCZ, INVESTI'SENS BENIN

BRIEF DESCRIPTION
The project aims to demonstrate an innovative solution for energy access in off-grid rural areas in Africa. This solution called PIVERT is a rural cluster of enterprises with access to energy and farming services. The project will implement 10 pilots in Benin to optimise the model and prepare the upscaling process.

PIVERT’s features address the key challenges for energy access in remote rural areas in Africa:

- Entrepreneurship: energy and farming services are provided by enterprises to guarantee their quality and sustainability to the beneficiaries (other enterprises or households of the village).
- Economic viability: a PIVERT systematically implies agroprocessing activities relying on energy services that will create an added value in the village. It secures margins for the energy services providers and boosts the revenues and solvability of its clients.
- Sustainable cooperation: the infrastructure and main equipment of a PIVERT are managed by one entrepreneur according to the rules and commitments established with all its users. The users of a PIVERT are enterprises or individuals whose activities are interdependent, which reinforces their tendency to cooperate.
- Services upgrade: a PIVERT gets technical assistance from SENS Bénin to adapt and gradually develop its services offer to its village, while ensuring its viability at any stage. The most developed stage of a PIVERT is the mini-grid one.

The overall project will result in the development of a network of 10 pilot PIVERT in 3 departments of Benin, demonstration of the viability of the PIVERT model as well as expansion of energy services offered.

Project Location: Rural off-grid areas of Benin in the departments of Borgou, Collines and Zou

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ZEMBO (2018-2019)

Zero Emissions Mobility Boda

**Project Leader:** ZEMBO France (R&D Financing)

**Partners:** ZEMBO Uganda (Operation)

**Project Location:** Uganda

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Millions of motorcycle taxi drivers are present in sub-Saharan Africa. This is a revenue generating activity for young people and their families and an affordable transport solution for low-income people, which is adapted to African roads and is often the only strain on their revenues. Moreover, this activity is very polluting.

The project focuses on 2 complementary activities:

- The leasing of electric motorcycles to taxi drivers.
- The battery charging through a network of solar stations.

The overall project’s electric solution will result in:

- Improvement of the drivers’ revenues (who become owners of their vehicle after 2 years)
- Environmentally clean solution (lowering CO2 and particles emissions, reducing noise)
- Better service, including security training and equipments for driver and passengers.
- The objective is to lease over 200 vehicles in 2019 and 2000 in 2020.

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Partners: IIT Delhi, IIT Hyderabad, École de Technologie Supérieure Canada, UNSW Australia, UCLA USA, UIT Norway

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Objective:

• To develop a prototype Isolated Renewable Energy Systems IRES to demonstrate the exchange of power among different IRES.

• To develop an integrated communication, control, and computing system for the exchange of power among an interconnection of IRES.

• To develop algorithm for maintaining microgrid power quality.

• To develop a local energy management system with demand response and electricity market pricing features.

• To develop a cyber-security system for secure communication of data and signals.

Expected Outcomes:

• Rural electricity infrastructure with renewable energy resource micro grids.

• Providing connectivity to off-grid households.

• Adequate supply with desired power quality.

• Electricity supply at affordable rates & power synchronization without using base generation.

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Sustainable Energy Storage Suitable for Microgrid (2018-2020)

**Project Leader:** IIT Bombay  
**Partners:** Tata Motors, Indian Army, Fraunhofer ICT Germany, University of Nottingham UK.

**Project Location:** Bunker, Forward area in North Sikkim.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**

- Development of AC-DC hybrid microgrid supported by a 50 kWp PV system and DG system.
- Development of hybrid storage systems suitable of operating at an extreme temperature conditions.
- Integration of the RE system and storage in North Sikkim to cater the partial energy requirements of an Indian army base.

**Expected Outcomes:**

- AC-DC Microgrid based on 50 kWp PV system.
- Flow battery system of capacity 20 kW and 200 kWh.
- Hydrogen storage system 40 kWh with a fuel cell of 5 kW.
- Space heating system using the waste heat from the fuel cell.
- An integrated system consists of hybrid storage (hydrogen storage and flow battery) and PV system.

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- To design, install, commission, monitor and control two different off grid energy models which utilizes renewable energy resources as a primary source to electrify areas that have limited or no access to electricity within India.
- To design Energy Management System that supports the centralized power generation, storage and monitoring
- To design and implement suitable microgrid with IOT for the automation of microgrid operation including demand-side management.
- To develop an ‘intelligent’ data analysis algorithms for operator interface (i.e. EMS dashboard)
- To establish cloud-based server and hub/controller architecture to transmit data to a centralized location for visualization and processing.
- To conduct a socio-economic market assessment/analysis of business models for operation of Panchayath owned microgrids.

**Expected Outcomes:**
- Scalable, smart self-sustainable DC micro grid model which utilizes renewable energy resources as a primary source to electrify areas that have no access to electricity within India.
- Secure and reliable power for the rural with Energy Management system (EMS) and IOT based solution.
- A unique cluster based approach to reduce micro grid development and operating costs.
- Enable productive uses of renewable energy resources that can vastly improve the socio-economic development of local communities and employment rates for youths.
- Improve quality of life and wellbeing of the residents by providing energy access for Panchayath amenities, i.e. schools, healthcare facilities, sanitation facilities, etc.
- Generate employment opportunities by way for local youth in establishing entrepreneurial ventures using the uninterrupted power supply
- Improve the prospects for the elevation of consumers up to the multi-tier framework that measures electricity access in terms of improved capacity, Availability, Reliability, Quality, Affordability, Legality and Health and Safety.

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**Project Location:**
- Nellikatri village is located at a distance of 60kms from Kollegala located in deep interior forest.
- Belkotta village, Gulbarga district, Karnataka.

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Efficient Portable Stand-alone Vaccine Refrigerator for Rural Application (2018-20)

**Project Leader:** CDAC Kerala  
**Partners:** IISC Bangalore, Trivandrum Medical College Kerala, USC Columbia  
**Project Location:** Remote location in Kerala.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- To research on portable stand-alone vaccine refrigerator, a transformative agent for lives of individuals and communities through providing quality of life and prosperity

**Expected Outcomes:**
- 1.5 litres or 3 litres portable refrigerator, Technology transfer package

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Uneven Span Greenhouse integrated Semitransparent Photovoltaic Thermal (GiSPVT) System for Agricultural Applications (2018-2020)

Project Leader: Jamia Millia Islamia, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi.

Partners: Bag Energy Research Society Delhi, Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Odisha, School of Engineering and the Built Environment, Edinburgh Napier University, Edinburgh U.K.

Project Location: Mauza Village Margupur (Rasra), district Ballia, Uttar Pradesh, India.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Objective:

• Optimizing the packing factor of glass-glass PV module in GiSPVT system for better pot crop production preferably vegetables in winter and summer conditions.

• Overall energy and exergy analysis of GiSPVT system.

• Evaluation of energy matrices such as energy payback time (EPBT), energy production factor (EPF) and life cycle conversion efficiency (LCCE) for GiSPVT system.

• Performing techno-economic analysis of GiSPVT system.

Expected Outcomes:

• Increased access to energy services for un- or under-served population in Village Margupur.

• Renewable energy capacity addition and increased energy savings.

• Increased number of innovative clean energy tools, product, technologies, and methodologies adopted.

• Increased number of beneficiaries with relevant skills in clean energy technologies.

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A Localized Microgrid to power an off-grid locality (2018-2020)

**Project Leader:** IIT Madras  
**Partners:** Research Institute of Sweden

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- Introduce a new innovative electricity off-grid system with transmission of ±350VDC together with a distribution of 48VDC.
- Electrify about 150 households in a completely (or near) off-grid area connected through a small DC Microgrid.
- Create a self-sustaining DC-based clean energy system.
- Local eco-system to manage and monitor the project.
- Collect data from each system for analysis and optimization studies.
- Develop an ecosystem in the region

**Expected Outcomes:**
- Development of a new hybrid power control system which allows for optimum usage and management of variety of clean power sources.
- Increase in energy efficiency and decrease in capex in comparison with equivalent decentralized power systems.
- Optimizing power distribution and load management in the village using data analysis.
- Data analytics to support power and demand management.
- Increasing number of clean energy enterprises with improved business operations.

**Project Location:** Shoal Bay, Andaman Island, India. It is situated 53km (approximate) away from Port Blair

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**Project Leader:** Delhi Technological University

**Partners:** M2M Cybernetics Private Limited, Research Triangle Park (RTI, North Carolina, USA)

**Project Location:** Village Musepur, District Pilibhit (UP)

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- Designing of resilient, configurable, self-healing, scalable architecture for community energy solution
- Energy Efficiency: Generation/ Delivery/ Utilization
- Demonstration of PV – DC – μG and support eco–tourism near Sharda river adjoining tiger reserve
- Social and economic impact study, development of sustainable and scalable model for PV – DC microgrid

**Expected Outcomes:**
- Robust off-grid community energy solution.
- Flexible control algorithm and converter interface.
- Robust and self-healing architecture, operation and management of PV-DC-μG.
- Infrastructure development for nearby places and villages.

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Design and Development of biomass–solar electricity and cooling solutions for Rural India (2018-2020)

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- Control algorithms for seamless control of voltage source converters from voltage control to current control modes.
- Demonstration of Green chill cold storage system using waste heat from two stage gasifier power plant.
- Demonstration of optimal PV-biomass Gasifier operation.
- Incorporation of the DSM practices to control the integrated operation and provide reliable electricity.
- Demonstration of AC-DC system concepts for reduction in losses of the overall system.
- Implementation of the PV-Biomass hybrid system for two villages. In Village 1, AC side Integration will be demonstrated while in Village 2 DC side Integration will be demonstrated (avoiding synchronization problems). The performance comparison between the two configurations will be carried out.

**Expected Outcomes:**
- Optimal sizing of the hybrid solar-PV biomass, battery systems with DSM enabled inverter support and direct DC load feed options.
- Energy Management Algorithms for optimal utilization of resources.
- Controllers for EMS, Biomass gasifier, solar PV/MPPT, Battery Charging etc.
- Protection schemes and design for the two systems

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MI-OFF GRID PROJECTS FROM INDIA

Development, Research and Pilot Scale installation of Solar-Hydro Pumped Storage Scheme in a remote village to ensure 24x7 electricity (2018-2020)

**Project Leader:** Visva- Bharati University, West Bengal  
**Partners:** NB Institute for Rural Technology, Sheffield University (U.K.)

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

**Objective:**
- Interconnecting and interfacing a mini or micro hydel project with Solar Power
- Functional intelligent controller to operate pumping of tailrace water to upper reservoir water by using Solar pumps.
- Enhancing Capacity Utilization Factor of Mini/Micro Hydel plant along with stabilizing intermittent solar power to firm dispatch-able power.
- Training of the selected people from the local community.
- Different social activities like Women empowerment and socio-economic activity for banana stem fiber, broom making, Supari leaf plate making preparation of orange jelly, jam and squash., bamboo handicraft etc.

**Expected Outcomes:**
- Improving reliability of power generation
- Overcome limitations of Hydro plants in the dry season
- Continuous water supply
- Intelligent controller for Water and Power management
- Socio-economic and health status.

**Equivalent battery saving**
**Payback period : 4 years**

**Project Location:** Hengbung, Senapati District, Manipur

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<td><a href="https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/energy-engineering/">Hands-on learning about off-grid PV systems</a> • Development of low-cost and highly reliable systems for same.</td>
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<td>2. Pollinate Energy</td>
<td><a href="https://pollinateenergy.org/contact/">Off-grid solar lighting to urban slum dwellers</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.iba.gov.au/">Development of standardised, quality assured off-grid power systems</a></td>
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<td><strong>2. Brazil</strong></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.aneel.gov.br/universalizacao-legislacao">Provide Universal access to electricity in the country, with the goal of bringing low-cost access to electricity for millions of people in rural areas.</a> <a href="https://www.mme.gov.br/luzparatodos/">MME, ANEEL, Eletrobras and utilities</a> <a href="http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/leis/2002/L10438.htm">https://www.eletrobras.com/</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www2.aneel.gov.br/cedoc/ren2004083.pdf">Regulation: Isolated Microsystem of Generation and Distribution of Electric Energy - MIGDI (up to 100 kW); Individual Power Generation System with Intermittent Power Supply - SIGFI (13, 30, 45, 60 and 80 kWh / month).</a> <a href="http://www2.aneel.gov.br/cedoc/ren2012493.pdf">ANEEL, EPE, Eletrobras</a></td>
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<td>3. ANEEL R&amp;D Program</td>
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| 2. **Smart microgrid based on renewable energy in remote districts** | IEECAS  
http://english.iee.cas.cn/intro/bi/ |
| 3. **Technology of CCHP microgrid based on renewable energy** | IEECAS  
http://english.iee.cas.cn/intro/bi/ |
| **European Union** |                    |
- Broad mix of energy projects and technologies | DG – DEVCO  
https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/general_en |
| 2. **ACP – EU Energy Facility**  
- Increase and improve access to modern, affordable and sustainable energy services for the rural poor in ACP countries | DG - DEVCO  
https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/general_en |
| 3. **Horizon 2020**  
- Low Carbon Energy (LCE) calls on microgrid and small-scale storage | DG – ENER  
DG – RTD  
https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020 |
| **Finland**       |                    |
| 1. **Smart Energy Program**  
- Create testbeds for smart energy solutions, also off-grid and island solutions | Tekes  
https://www.tekes.fi/en/ |
| 2. **BEAM Program**  
- Support R&D&I projects which solves problems in developing countries | Tekes  
https://www.tekes.fi/en/ |
| **France**        |                    |
| 1. **Innovative power system based on PV** | ADEME  
https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/general_en |
| 2. **Investment for the future**  
- Electricity Storage Innovative technologies | ADEME  
https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/general_en |
| 3. **Investment for the future**  
- small scale smart grid innovative solutions | ADEME  
https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/general_en |
| 4. **Durasol R&D**  
- Accelerated ageing tests on PV modules | CNRS; Universities  
http://www.cnrs.fr |
| 5. **G2E lab**  
- Isolated microgrid stability and power electronics control | Grenoble Institute of Technology  
http://www.grenoble-inp.fr/welcome/grenoble-institute-of-technology-9224.kjsp |
| 6. **EDF R&D activities on off grid access** | Electricité de France R&D department / Les renardières  
https://www.edf.fr/en/the-edf-group/who-we-are/activities/research-and-development |
| 7. **Powidian multi energy autonomous power station** | Powidian France  
http://powidian.com |
| 8. **R&D, business development and supply** | Off-Grid Electric  
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<td>• To support clean energy solution including off Grid</td>
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<td>• Aerogenerators / wind Hybrid; Biomass Gassification; Biogas; Small Hydro; Biomass Power; Solar; Remote Voltage Electrification; waste to energy</td>
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<td>5. A development of micro-grid smart operating platform and BM for small industrial complex</td>
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Global Sustainable Energy Systems  
5B Australia                                      |
| **2 Brazil** | MME  
ANEEL  
Eletrobras and utilities                              |
| **3 Canada** | Pembina (NGO)  
Lumos Energy  
World Wildlife Fund (WWF)                             |
| **4 China** | Shandong Huaye Wind Power Equipment CO. LTD.  
Tianjin University (University)  
Institute of Electrical Engineering Chinese Academy of Sciences |
| **5 European Union** | IEA – PV Power Systems Implementing Agreement (IEA-PVPS)  
International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)  
Global Off Grid Lighting Association (Gogla)         |
| **6 Finland** | Nocart  
Volter  
Doranova  
Convion                                               |
| **7 France** | ADEME  
Group for Environment, Renewable Energy and Solidarity (GERES)  
Schneider Electric Foundation  
Schneider Electric, Engie                             |
| **8 Germany** | Dena German Energy Agency  
German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) |
| **9 India** | Department of Science and Technology (DST) [ARCII, CEERI; CECRI; IITs; NITs and other national technical Universities  
Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) [IREDA; NISE; NIWE, SSS-NIBE]  
Ministry of Power (MoP) [CPRI]  
TERI-The Energy and Resources Institute               |
| **10 Indonesia** | Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources  
Badan Perencanaan Pembangunan Nasional (BAPPENAS)      |
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