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ECREEE is a specialised Agency of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), with the overall objective to contribute to the sustainable development of West Africa by improving access to modern, reliable and affordable energy services, energy security and reduction of negative energy related externalities (e.g. local pollution, GHG emissions). Established by Regulation C/REG.23/11/08 of the 61st Session of the ECOWAS Council of Ministers, ECREEE aims at the creation of favourable framework conditions for renewable energy and energy efficiency markets by supporting activities directed to mitigate existing technical, legal, institutional, economic, financial, policy and capacity related barriers.

AEA is the Austrian energy research and policy Non Profit Association constituted by the federal and the provincial administration ("Bund" and "Länder") and Membership of some forty institutions and corporations from a variety of economic sectors. The National Energy Agency of Austria promotes and supports the development of sustainable energy systems on a national and international level.

AERE is a consulting bureau with broad experience both in energy efficiency issues and in development of energy policy in West Africa.

ENERGIA is a non governmental organisation that host the ENERGIA International Network on Gender and Sustainable Energy. ENERGIA works from the standpoint that projects and policies that explicitly address gender and energy issues, will result in better outcomes, in terms of the sustainability of energy services as well as the human development opportunities available to women and men.

ECI is an European Copper Institute an European trade organisation that has been active in EU energy efficiency programmes (notably SAVE projects such as the Motor Challenge, and the development of the EU programme on labelling of energy efficient motors).

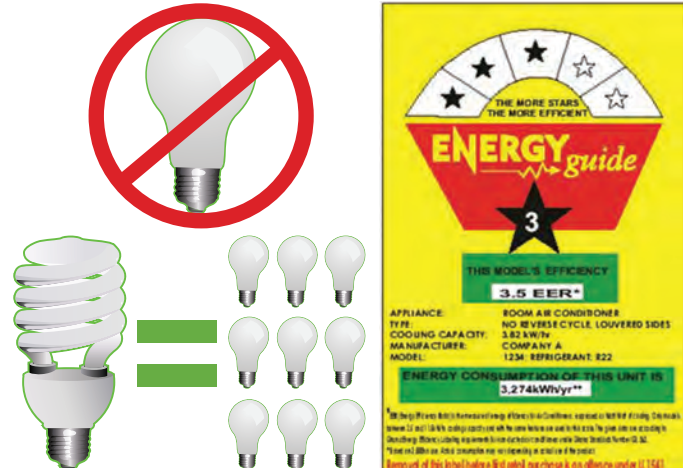
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WHAT IS SEEA-WA?

SEEA-WA is a regional project to support the implementation of energy efficiency measures within ECOWAS. It aims to overcome the obstacles of technical, financial, legal, institutional, social, and related capacity building issues that hinder the penetration of energy efficiency measures in ECOWAS member states.

Based within ECOWAS Regional Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency of (ECREEE), SEEA-WA seeks to combine energy efficiency in synergy with the ongoing work on renewable energy to expand energy access. The total duration of SEEA-WA implementation is forty (40) months.

SEEA-WA OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of SEEA-WA is to improve framework conditions for access to energy services, by supporting the creation of a regional programme on governance related to energy efficiency and access.

The specific objectives are to:

- Aid the Development of policies and regulatory frameworks necessary for the adoption of energy efficiency measures;
- Raise the awareness of policy makers, and commercial actors in the key areas of the energy value chain;
- Build capacities at the regional and national level to facilitate the implementation of energy efficient technologies

SEEA-WA MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Energy Efficiency appraisal and diagnosis in ECOWAS countries;
- Regional level institutional capacity building and knowledge sharing;
- National level institutional capacity building, knowledge sharing and institutional change;
- Development of the ECOWAS EE White Paper;
- Energy Efficiency Prioritization and scope;
- Content and visual identity;
- Carry out national campaigns focused on key intermediaries;
- Carry out regional and national media campaigns focused on the general public;
- Regional and national capacity building on technical issues;
- Regional and national financial tools;
- exchange of technical experience

SEEA-WA DESCRIPTION

Framework conditions. SEEA-WA will support ECOWAS national authorities in creating conducive regulatory and business environments to encourage women and men to adopt energy saving measures. The Project team members will aid in choosing among the wide variety of possible policy tools (standards and labelling, regulations, educational tools, fiscal and tariff tools, special purpose EE financial tools, etc.) those that would be applicable and effective in the West African context.

Raising awareness: Many energy efficiency measures pay for themselves, through savings on energy bills. Capturing this potential for savings requires decisions by a myriad of individuals, organisations and businesses. The awareness raising aspect of SEEA-WA will reach out, on the one hand, to the commercial actors of the key energy value chains – the stove builders and charcoal producers, the electric appliance importers and sellers, the power utilities, the home builders – and on the other hand, to the women and men who use energy and make decisions on purchasing (or producing themselves) energy using equipments/appliances.

Project implementation: SEEA-WA will work with ECREEE, National Focal institutions (NFIs) and competence centres in West Africa to build capacity at the regional and national level on the implementation of energy efficient technologies.

The project team will work with the public authorities of the ECOWAS member states, and with the private sector, for instance home builders, stove makers, artisans, equipment manufacturers and vendors.

The project will encourage exchange of experience and the flow of information among energy practitioners in West Africa. Additionally, the project will organise focused training on the areas designated by national authorities, bringing in high level regional and international expertise.

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