



CESET

Community Energy and the
Sustainable Energy Transition
in Ethiopia, Malawi and Mozambique



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Community Energy and Sustainable Energy Transition Project-Malawi

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CESET is a three-year research programme exploring how communities can support just energy transitions in East Africa. The project focuses on diversity: diversity of models of community energy and diversity of communities that engage in renewable energy projects. We believe that the strength of community energy lies in such diversity and adaptability. Diversity and adaptability are precisely what is needed to support the deployment of off-grid energy technologies (solar, wind, hydro, and biogas) in a variety of social and geographical contexts. The project focuses on Ethiopia, Malawi and Mozambique.

CESET explores how community energy operates at different scales, in order to understand its potential to address energy access. In a bid to achieve positive outputs of the project it is always important to engage various stakeholders in each country within the energy sector implementing various community energy systems in rural areas which has contributed to energy transition.

Stakeholder management is a vital step to the success of a project life and the project is likely to achieve its designed objectives during implementation. By engaging the relevant stakeholders or individuals in the project, objectives can be achieved to its success. The action that CESET project can take will have an impact on a lot of people, as such it is important to seek inputs from the stakeholders.

Stakeholder Analysis is the technique used to identify the key individuals who can help play a vital role in a project. Furthermore, stakeholder planning helps to build the support that helps the project to succeed.

There are several benefits that CESET project in Malawi can achieve by using a stakeholder-based approach and these are listed below:

- The opinions of the most relevant stakeholders can help to shape the project at an early stage
- Not only does this make it more likely that they will support the project, their input can also improve the quality of the project
- During the implementation phase/stage by gaining support from powerful stakeholders can help to win more resources and this makes it more likely that the project can succeed
- By communicating with stakeholders early and frequently, will help the stakeholder to keep track of project and understand the project activities and the benefits attached and this will lead to actively participation when necessary

No	Stakeholder	Supportive?	Importance (H/M/L)	Potential contribution to project success	Project Activities/Output	Communications approach
1	Department of Energy Affairs	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing data on Minigrids mapping in Malawi • Reviewing of project outputs • Issuing of site visits permits • Participation in CESET project meetings • Providing feedback about the CESET project and possible advice, guidance on survey approach (key Informants) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulation of database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
2	Malawi Regulatory Authority	Yes	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing data on Minigrids projects/CES in Malawi • Participation in CESET project meetings, providing inputs in project reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • An analysis on the development of mini-grids in Malawi 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
3	Community Energy Malawi	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing data on Minigrids projects/CES in Malawi • Participation in CESET project offmeetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
4	United Purpose Malawi	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing data on Minigrids projects/CES in Malawi • Participation in CESET project meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
5	Mzuzu Institute of Technology and Innovation	Yes	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical support of Minigrids in Northern Malawi • Participation in CESET project meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
6	FISD	Yes	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical aspect support on Minigrids in Northern Malawi • Providing data on minigrids implemented by them directly or through partnerships • Participation in CESET project meetings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops

7	Churches Action in Relief and Development (CARD)	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in CESET project meetings • Providing data on Minigrids implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
8	Practical Action	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical support on Minigrids in Northern Malawi • Providing data on Minigrids implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi, • Field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
9	MEGA	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical support on Minigrids in Northern Malawi • Providing Data on possible minigrids implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Database and landscape of CES in Malawi, field visits, case studies and surveys 	Face-to-face meetings, Workshops
10	Kumudzi Kuwale	Yes	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Support on Minigrids in Malawi • Providing data on possible minigrids installed/Implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Base development, landscape of CES/Minigrids in Malawi 	Face-to-face Meetings, workshops
11	Cooperation Network for Renewable Energy in Malawi,	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing support on policy review on community energy systems • Providing data on possible minigrids in Malawi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Base development, landscape of CES/Minigrids in Malawi • Energy Policy Review paper 	Face-to-face Meetings, workshops
12	Renewable Malawi	Yes	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Support on Minigrids in Malawi • Providing data on minigrids installed/Implemented 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Base development, landscape of CES/Minigrids in Malawi 	Face-to-face Meetings, workshops