





## ECOWAS RENEWABLE ENERGY ENTREPRENEURSHIP SUPPORT FACILITY TRAINING WORKSHOP

7 - 11 November 2016

Praia, Cabo Verde

## DRAFT AGENDA

	Day 1 7 November 2016
	Minigrid Introduction & Sizing
10:00 - 10:30	Welcoming remarks by ECREEE (Jansenio Delgado), CERMI (Pedro Semedo), IRENA (Tijana Radojicic), 2iE (Bachir Ouedraogo), and Luxemburg Government (Jorge Wahnon)
10:30 - 10:45	Session 0 - Introduction
	<ul> <li>Introduction and welcoming words by the trainer</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Short introduction of the group to assess knowledge basis</li> </ul>
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee & tea break
11:00 - 12:15	Session 1 - General introduction to Minigrids
	Types of Minigrids
	Applications
	Components of Minigrids
	Methods to design Minigrids
12:15 - 13:00	Session 2 - Importance of sizing Minigrids
	Methods for assessing energy demand
	o Surveys
	o Measurement
	o Assessments
	Exercise 2.1: Reading and understanding a site survey sheet
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break







14:00 - 15:45	Session 3 - Assessment of effective energy demand
	Exercise 3.1: Generation of load profile
	Influencing factors in rural communities
	<ul> <li>Willingness to pay</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Ability to pay</li> </ul>
	Effective demand (vs. demand) and its calculation
	Forecasting of energy demand
	<ul> <li>Theoretical models</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Practical recommendation</li> </ul>
	Exercise 3.2: Forecasting of effective demand using corrective factors
15:45 - 16:00	Coffee & tea break
16:00 - 16:45	Session 3 - Assessment of effective energy demand – continued
	<ul> <li>Socio-economic methods for forecasting based on</li> </ul>
	o Demographics
	<ul> <li>Economic productivity</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Typical consumption patters</li> </ul>
	Variation of forecasting scenarios
	Exercise 3.2: Understanding the different forecasting scenarios

Day 2 8 November 2016 Data for Minigrid Sizing & Minigrid Details	
09:00 - 09:30	Session 4 – Sizing of Minigrids
	Data requirements
	Flowchart on the process of sizing
	Data required to size Minigrids appropriately
	• Typical goals to achieve when sizing minigrids







09:30 - 10:00	Session 5 – Understanding Tariffs Models
	Understanding tariffs
	o Calculation of tariff
	o ABC models
	o Uniform tariffs
	Meters & Load delimiters
	Demand side management aspects
	Exercise: ABC Tariff calculation
10:00 - 10:45	Session 6 – Technical Basics for minigrid design
	Site evaluation
	Using GIS for site selection
	Power generation
	Power distribution
	Quality of components
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee & tea break
11:00 - 13:00	Session 7 - Modes of operation of Minigrids
	<ul> <li>Understanding different modes of operations, such as:</li> </ul>
	o Solar-battery
	<ul> <li>Solar-diesel with battery backup</li> </ul>
	o Solar-diesel
	o Daytime solar
	Components in each of the systems
	<ul> <li>Aspects of energy security (security of supply)</li> </ul>
	Energy storage options to evaluate
	Exercise: Sizing of components & operational differences of modes
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:45	Session 8 – Project Budgeting & Component selection
	Design criteria based on load profile & mode of operation
	Elements to consider when setting up project budgets
15:45 - 16:00	Coffee & tea break







16:00 - 16:45	Session 9 - Introduction to useful Minigrid tools
	Minigrid Builder
	HOMER Energy
	• QiLoad
	EU PDF Minigrid toolkit
	This session will be interactive with the tools

	Day 3 9 November 2016
	Minigrid Design in HOMER Energy
09:00 - 10:45	Introduction to HOMER
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	Basic use of the tool
	<ul> <li>Understanding the tool and how it works</li> </ul>
	Understand the elements and features
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee & tea break
11:00 - 13:00	Detailed design of a Minigrid with HOMER
	Setting up a simple Minigrid in HOMER
	<ul> <li>Including different generation sources in the model</li> </ul>
	Including a load profile
	<ul> <li>Understand parameters of model and components in model</li> </ul>
	Exercise: Building up a model of a minigrid in HOMER
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:45	Simulation of a Minigrid model in HOMER
	Setting up scenarios in the model
	Performing simulations
	Result analysis and interpretation
	Data export & reports
	Exercise: Using the prior built model to perform simulations
15:45 - 16:00	Coffee & tea break







16:00 - 17:00	Basics of financial modelling
	Cost of capital
	Internal rate of return vs. interest rates
	Net present value calculation
	Discounted cash flow calculation
	Energy yield consideration
	Probability scenarios

Day 4 10 November 2016	
	Financial Simulation of Minigrids & Minigrid site visit
09:00 - 10:45	Financial simulation of a Minigrid 1/2
	<ul> <li>Presentation of a case study on a minigrid</li> </ul>
	Budgeting
	Calculating LCOE
	Calculating NPV
	Calculating IRR
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee & tea break
11:00 - 13:00	Financial simulation of a Minigrid 2/2
	Calculation of tariffs
	Revenue calculation as Minigrid operator
	Simulation of different scenarios of the model
	Result analysis and interpretation
	How to finance minigrids
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 17:00	Field visit of Minigrid installation
	Explanation of components installed
	<ul> <li>Solar panels &amp; Inverters</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Backup generators</li> </ul>
	o Battery system
	o Cabinets & Controllers
	o Cabling & lines
	Discuss maintenance and repair issues
	<ul> <li>Highlight good/bad examples of implementation</li> </ul>







17:00

Dinner

	Day 5 11 November 2016 Financial Simulation of Minigrids continued
09:00 – 10:45	Presentation and discussions on bankability of Entrepreneurs projects proposals 10min (Presentation) + 15min (Q&A)
10:45 - 11:00	Coffee & tea break
11:00 - 12:00 12:00 - 12:15	Presentation of Entrepreneurs projects proposals (continued) Presentation on Minigrid in the ECOWAS region (by Eseoghene HOBSON – ECREEE)
12:15 – 12:50	<ul> <li>Training summary</li> <li>Data collection</li> <li>Design of Minigrids</li> <li>Financing of projects</li> <li>Key takeaways</li> <li>Do's and don'ts</li> </ul>
12:50 - 13:00	Closing remarks
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break