

GGGI Vanuatu: Fact Sheet

Green and Inclusive Energy Reform

Challenges

Driven by its traditional agriculture and fishing sectors as well as its fast-growing tourism industry, Vanuatu has achieved strong economic performance over the past decade. Vanuatu encounters unique economic challenges due to its distance from major markets, lack of infrastructure, and vulnerability to natural disasters and climate change. Vanuatu's energy insecurity is also a barrier to achieving inclusive green growth, with key challenges including:

- Unbalanced supply of energy to remote rural locations
- High cost of electricity
- Dependence on fossil fuels
- Lack of energy efficiency standards

Activities

To address these challenges, the Government of Vanuatu (GoV) has prioritized, through its National Energy Roadmap (NERM), developing projects that utilize energy as a driver of inclusive green growth and poverty reduction in rural communities. GGGI is supporting these efforts through the Green and Inclusive Energy Reform project, which is:

- Assisting in the revision of the NERM
- Providing technical assistance in the drafting of energy efficiency goals and developing recommendations for implementing energy efficiency measures
- Undertaking green growth analysis on the energy sector
- Mapping climate adaptation and mitigation funds for financing the implementation of the NERM
- Developing recommendations on establishing a green growth financing mechanism

Overall Goals

- Support the Department of Energy, GoV, to revise the NERM
- Develop an implementation plan for the revised NERM, which includes identifying inclusive green growth interventions

Implementing Partners

- Department of Energy, Ministry of Climate Change
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade

Results to Date

• Developed well-defined scope of work and institutional set-up for green growth intervention in Vanuatu