

Title: Uganda industrial microgrids

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Why is the mini-grid market so slow in Uganda?

Despite the opportunity for further mini-grid development in Uganda, the market has been slow to take off, largely due to a fragmented regulatory environment. Among other issues, the country's current policies fail to explicitly set an energy access target to be met through mini-grids.

Who owns a mini-grid in Uganda?

In Uganda, utilities, private companies, communities, or some combination of the three operate mini-grids. Generally, a private-sector player develops and operates the mini-grid, owning the generating asset and bearing the cost of construction. Today, seven independent power producers (IPPs) operate -torial Power and Pamoja Energy.

How many mini-grids are there in Uganda?

Uganda has 34 installed mini-grids that serve approximately 20,000 households. That's less than 1 percent of the 7.3 million households in the country. Solar and hydro make up the vast majority of projects in Uganda - 40 percent and 34 percent respectively (Figure 100).

Who regulates mini-grids in Uganda?

UEDCL also runs a small number of mini-grids (Anton Eberhard, 2016). The Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA) is the primary regulator of Uganda's mini-grids. It administers licence approval, sets tariffs and maintains technical standards. The REA has no direct regulatory authority over mini-grids, but ERA consults Source: BloombergNEF.

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A number of private developers are currently operating in Uganda's mini-grid market or plan to enter soon (Figure 102). In interviews with the authors, developers said Uganda lacked ...

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