

# Bridging the gap: How can donors support investment for Last Mile Connectivity?

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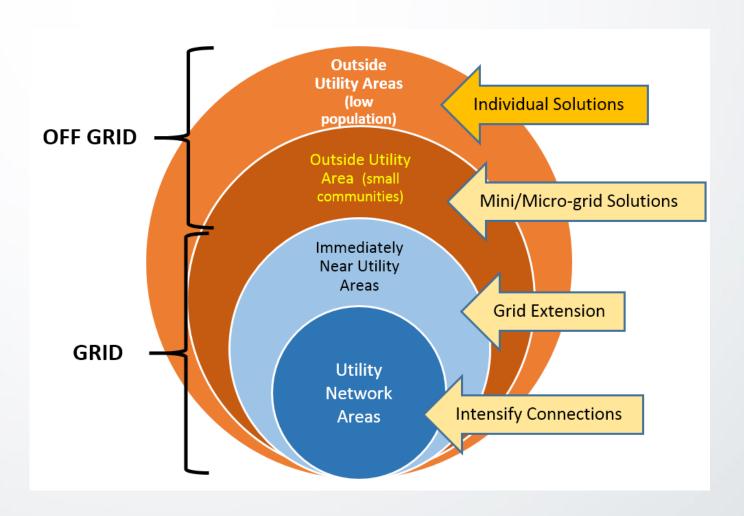


#### "The last mile"

- Diverse; appears very long, stretching across islands, over mountains, with challenges of variations in population density, income, prospects for economic productivity, political economy, applicability of RE technology.
- A mile where there is a tremendous need for cooperation between actors from government, private sector, donors, lending institutions, NGOs and local communities.



### **Access to Sustainable Energy Programme (ASEP)**





### Ways to reach last mile connectivity through ASEP

# An enabling environment

Evidence based planning for programmes to define a strategic vision for rural electrification: TA support

## Sustainable Business Models

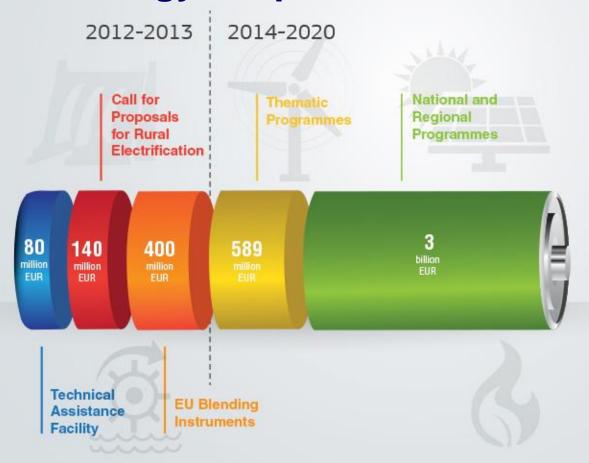
Adapted to context: WB Output based subsidy facility, ECs own/maintain SHS, fee for services model

# Opportunities for investment

Call for Proposals, ElectriFI, Future: Sector Support Programme, Blending



### **EU** energy cooperation



# More than EUR 4 billion for the fight against energy poverty

- A mix of supportive mechanisms and direct financing in more than 30 countries
- More than EUR 3.5 billion allocated for 2014-2020.
- Asia and Pacific: EUR 622
   Million



### Need to scale up investments for energy access

- SDG 7 Investment gap
  - Access (projected) for 2030: 89%; (target SDG): 100%
  - To reach the SDG 7 target of 100% will require an average annual investment of USD 45 billion
  - Annual global investment in energy access: USD 9 billion
  - We need to leverage the current funding TIMES 5!



### Ways to scale up investments for energy access

- Alternative financing
  - Blended finance (A strategic use of public and donor finance to mobilise private capital flows)
    - o Grants
    - Debt (senior; subordinated/junior; flexible/concessional)
    - Equity (senior; junior)
  - Tailored to various market segments
    - Early and pilot stages:
      - Preparation: grants, highly flexible loans
      - Pioneering / facilitating: convertible grant; subordinated debt; junior equity
    - Growth and scaling up:
      - Anchoring (proven operating and business models) and transitioning (providing for funding shortfall; attracting investments)



### **EU energy cooperation – ElectriFI**

### ❖ 7 regional EU Blending Facilities

 EUR 400 million are expected to leverage concrete investments of up to EUR 8 billion (AIF for Asia, IFP for Pacific)

### Electrification Financing Initiative

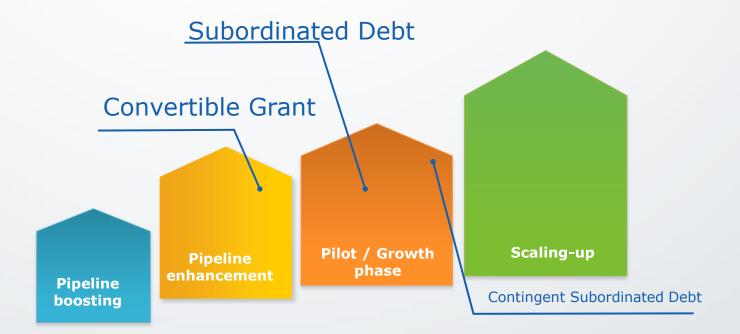
- Targeting private sector and also public institutions under same market conditions, supporting different business models, utilities and mini-grids
  - In-kind contribution through Advisory Services in making propositions bankable
  - Long term High-Risk Finance (possible in different forms)





#### **ElectriFl**

- Supports RE investments, with a focus on rural electrification, of a total budge above EUR 0.5 million
- Max 7 years, max amount of EUR 5 million





## **Conclusions for Last Mile Connectivity**

- Challenges require strong partnership between government, private sector and donors and a mix of supportive measures and financing possibilities
- EU as a global support of the SE4ALL has allocated more than 3.5 billion for a seven years period
- Trough blending instruments the EU seeks to leverage this investment to EUR 15-30 billion
- www.electrifi.org