







Grid Reliability and Utility Operations Conference

4-5 February 2020, Accra, Ghana

Agenda

	Day 1 – Tuesday 4 February 2020 – Morning session		
8:15	Registration		
Setting the context			
9:00	Welcome Dr Linda Davis, Giraffe Bioenergy		
9:10	Introduction to EEG and the conference Simon Trace CBE, EEG/Oxford Policy Management		
9:25	Keynote presentation Mr Martin Eson-Benjamin, Millennium Development Authority		
9:50	ESMAP: enabling energy and climate strategy Samuel Oguah, ESMAP/World Bank		
10:10	MCC's work in the energy sector Ishani Desai, Millennium Challenge Corporation		
10:35	Coffee/tea break		
11:05	GridWatch: measuring electricity reliability with GridWatch sensors in West Africa to inform energy decisions Prof Catherine Wolfram and Noah Klugman, University of California, Berkeley		
12:05	Dispatch Efficiency: a system health check Samuel Oguah, ESMAP/World Bank		
12:35	Lunch		
Afternoon session to resume at 13:35 – see page 2			





Day 1 – Tuesday 4 February 2020 – Afternoon session		
	Enhancing participation of women in the energy sector	
13:35	Closing gaps in women's employment in the energy sector: initial findings from Africa and South Asia Pamela Baldinger, ESMAP/World Bank	
	The Ghana Power Compact Internship and Mentoring Program Dr Cherub Antwi-Nsiah, Millennium Development Authority	
	Power system planning and expansion in Ethiopia and Ghana	
14:35	Load forecasting and distribution network planning for Mekelle City Yemane Brhane Tesfay, Mekelle University and Mekelle Institute of Technology	
	Generation expansion planning using Python software and LOLE criterion Abdul-Majid Issah Malori, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology	
15:35	Coffee/tea break	
	The impact of unreliable supply on economies, livelihoods and energy sectors	
16:05	The cost of power outages to Zambia's manufacturing firms, households and the climate Imad Ahmed, University College London / Vivid Economics	
	Power quality and modern energy for all Veronica Jacome, University of California, Berkeley	
	The vicious circle of blackouts and revenue collection in developing economies: evidence from Ghana Dr James Dzansi, International Growth Centre	
17:25	Wrap-up Dr Linda Davis, Giraffe Bioenergy	
17:45	Cocktail reception	





Day 2 – Wednesday 5 February 2020 – Morning session		
9:00	Welcome to the second day Dr Linda Davis, Giraffe Bioenergy	
	Voltage and power quality: lessons from Ethiopia	
9:10	Characteristics and propagation of short-duration voltage events Dr Leake Enquay Weldemariam, Mekelle University and Mekelle Institute of Technology	
	Awareness creation on power quality (PQ) problems in industrial customers Awet Mana Amare, Mekelle University and Mekelle Institute of Technology	
	Reliability and voltage sags – the process of regulating voltage sags Alula Yohannes Taddesse, VP Electrical Power Systems	
10:30	Coffee/tea break	
	Utility reforms and service delivery	
11:00	A comparative analysis of economic activities spurred by two different types of electricity distribution Mr Badri Nath Baral, Winrock International	
	Are cost-reflective tariffs the solution? Assessing Mozambique Electricity Supply Company challenges to provide affordable and reliable services to residential customers Dr Daniela Salite, University of York	
	Electricity reliability patterns in grids and mini grids in East Africa – a collaboration between RAEL and Sparkmeter Isa Ferrall, University of California, Berkeley	
12:20	Lunch	
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Day 2 – Wednesday 5 February 2020 – Afternoon session The role of emerging technologies		
	The role of open source reliability data in shaping electricity service delivery conversations Brian Kinuthia, EED Advisory	
	Role of Digitalisation in Improving Grid Reliability and Efficiency in Africa's Power Sector: Evidence from Ghana Doris Agbevivi (Energy Commission) and Wofa Kwarteng (GridCo Ghana)	
	Evidence on the impact of metering	
14:40	The Impacts of prepaid metering on household electricity consumption in Ethiopia Dr Sied Hassen Mohamed, Policy Studies Institute	
	Enforcement in electricity services: evidence from a randomized smart meter experiment in Kyrgyzstan Prof Robyn Meeks, Duke University	
15:40	Coffee/tea break	
	Reviewing the key issues and looking to the future	
16:10	Uneven progress: challenges in reforming the power sector in Malawi Corinna Bordewieck and Dr Daniel Sabet, Social Impact	
16:40	Panel and plenary discussion on how research can deliver reform Ing William Amuna, Millennium Development Authority Simon Trace CBE, EEG/Oxford Policy Management Prof Catherine Wolfram, University of California, Berkeley	
17:30	Closing remarks Simon Trace CBE, EEG/Oxford Policy Management	



