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Key themes for discussion in 2025



Overview

AIX Nairobi offers perspectives on developments in host nation Kenya and the East African Power Pool (Eapp) region plus analysis of wider corporate developments and constraints facing the industry.

The 2025 agenda examines what AIX is callng 'Constructive, Productive and Disruptive energy' for Africa.

- 'Constructive energy' building on the projects, financial models, positive models of community engagement and business best practise that have worked so far.
- 'Productive energy' driving new industries and financial models to drive sustainable economic growth and social uplift.
- 'Disruptive energy' harnessing new technologies, evolving markets and social change to transform developing economies into emerging markets.

Unlocking the region's power market

EAPP and the logic of regional integration

East African economies have huge potential to generate more energy and trade power.

Detailed planning, better financial models, and improved regulation

To what extent can power pools, regional interconnections and new energy intermediaries overcome offtake security and balance the market?

Transmission investment

Independent transmission projects (ITPs) and other models to encourage private investment in the region.

Storage & green grids

Understanding battery storage's multiple benefits and solutions that can enhance the stability and reliability of the grid.





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The future of IPPS and wheeling

Market design, regulation and investment

What new approaches to regulation and market structures will attract investments in power and renewables?

Opening up the market

What do investors want? Are macroeconomic conditions, political and industry trends in their favour?

Exploring the post-carbon economy

- Green hydrogen, green ammonia, synthetic fuels how are these industries progressing and what can be expected within the next five years?
- Examining growth in new energy intensive sectors sourcing green electricity and how to add new clean, firm power without putting the burden on the ratepayer.

Financing construction

A look at innovative blended finance arrangements and the use of guarantees, political risk insurance, and foreign exchange hedging for infrastructure projects.

Off the grid and C&I

Options for generating electricity for a range of consumers – what impact will this have on the established utilities?

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Harnessing funds with impact

Private sector investors, including private equity, venture capital and impact investors are invited to share their feedback on the viability of projects discussed in the earlier sessions, to discuss the funding available for start-ups and new technologies and examine latest business models attracting investment.

Stakeholder engagement, ESG and other 'people issues'

Let's talk about ESG – environmental, social and governance issues have become a hot-button issue in Kenya and across the continent. This session will examine, with examples of best practise:

Snapshot sessions

Shorter sessions focusing on:

- Climate finance
- Carbon credit
- Clean cooking

Strengthening domestic financial systems

While traditional DFI, commercial banking and project markets will long have an important role to play, the answer to many bottlenecks and risk issues can be found close to hom – if financial markets can be developed.

Development of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)

Providing a better understanding of the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) market in Kenya and East Africa region and the technical requirements of BESS projects.



AIX testimonials

It was a pleasure sharing and learning from each other.

Eng. Ziria Tibalwa Waako, Chief Executive Officer, Electricity Regulatory Authority

"AIX is by far my favourite annual event and I would be delighted to participate again next year"

Cathy Oxby, Chief Commercial Officer, Africa GreenCo

"I would like to say that you prepared a brilliant event. It really stimulates collaboration and innovative thinking around the African energy industry. It was valuable for the networking but also to hear the opinions of relevant stakeholders in industry"

Francisco Lopez, General Manager, AEE Power Ventures

"AIX conferences are unique in that they allow new entrants to gain a base of understanding on an issue while giving more experienced practitioners a platform to collaborate on current market dynamics."

Jason Bauer, Director, MCC

"AIX is the only place where you can have a geniune discussion on the issues facing the industry."

Christian Wright, Managing Director, Orion Infrastructure Advisors

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Past attendees in 2024



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Finance and investment

ATIDI, ABSA, African Development Bank, African Infrastructure Investment Managers (AIIM), BIO, British International Investment (BII), Catalyst Fund, Citibank, Cygnum Capital, Finergreen, Finnfund, FMO, GreenMax Capital Advisors, GuarantCo Management Company, IFC, IFU, InfraCo Africa, InfraCredit, Meridiam, MIGA (The World Bank Group), Mirova SunFunder, Naimon Capital, Nedbank, Norfund, Private Infrastructure

Development Group (PIDG), Proparco, Responsability, STOA Africa, Swedfund International, TDB, USAID

Power and infrastructure

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Professional services

African Energy, AMDA, Anjarwalla & Khanna, Ardonagh Specialty, Bowmans, Climate Action Platform for Africa (CAP-A), Delphos, GET.Invest, Great Carbon Valley, ISM Africa, Multiconsult, Pipal, Rebel, SandRose, Simmons & Simmons, The Green Hydrogen Organisation (GH2), University of Nairobi, Walker Kontos



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