



H2Global meets Africa

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Key Facts

- Period: 01.01.2023 31.12.2025
- Budget: 4,2 Mio. €
- Funded by: Federal Ministry of Education
- Project partners:





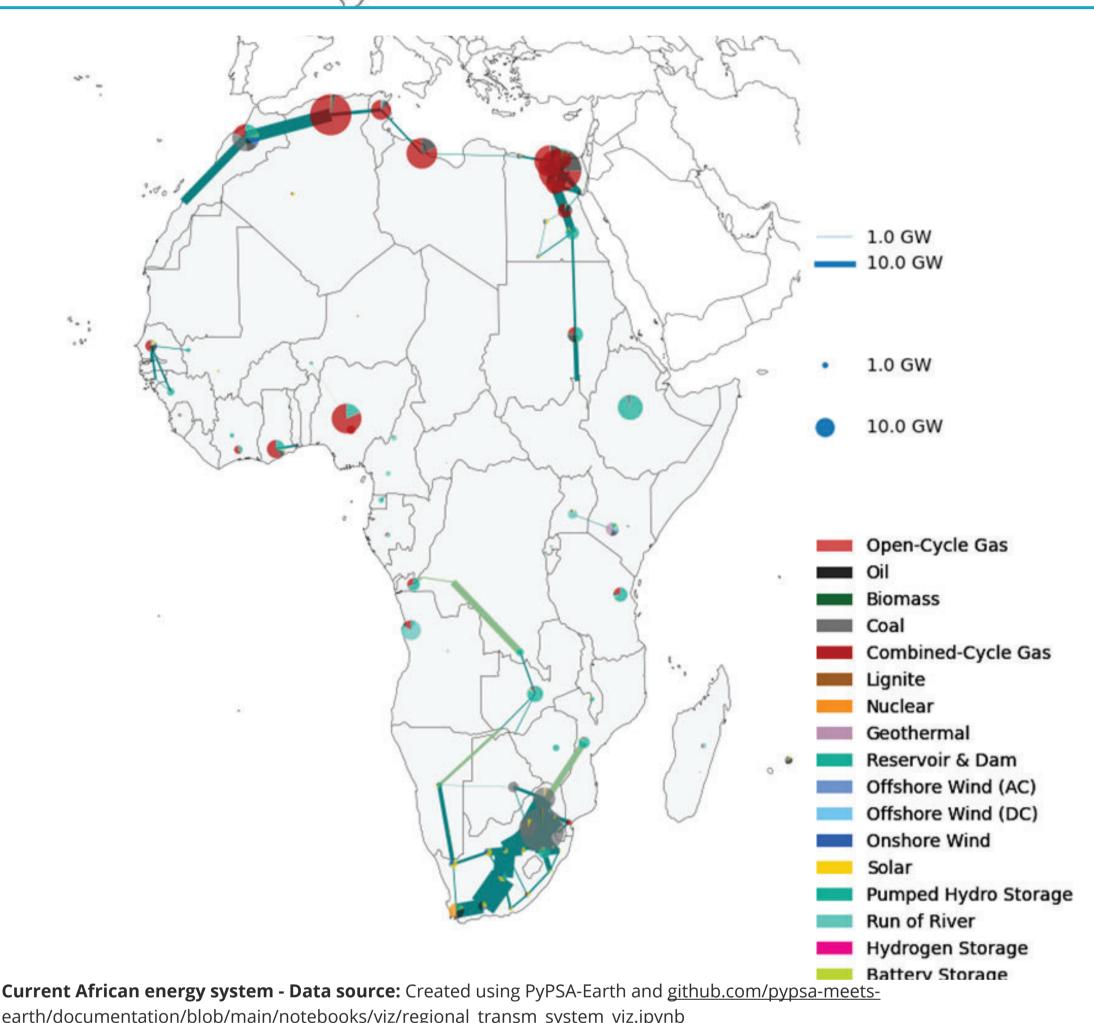
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Associated partners:



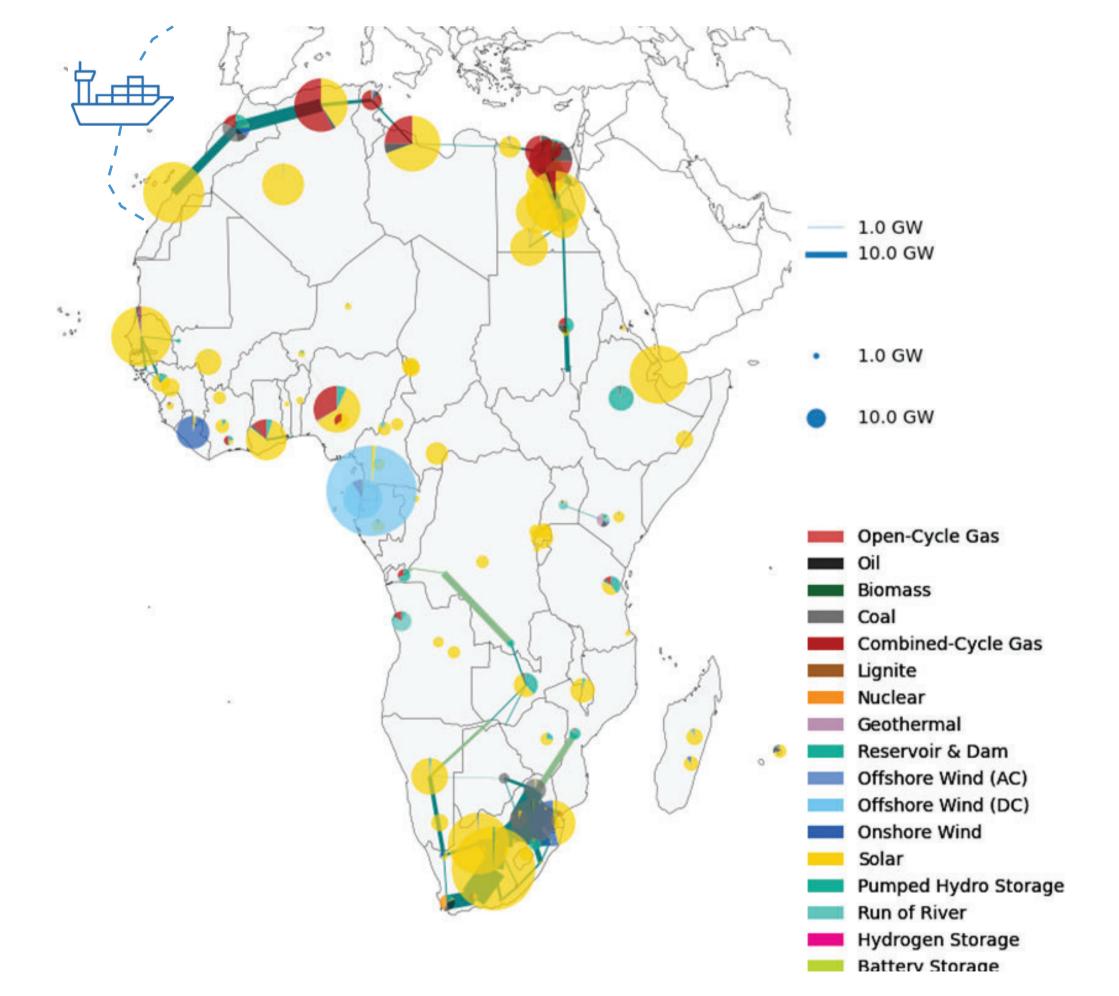






Results

Initial modeling has revealed major solar and wind potential across the entire continent.



Further modeling is currently being carried out at country level with regard to synergies and conflicts between hydrogen exports and the national energy transition. Initial simulations for Morocco, Namibia and Kenya have already shown a correlation between high hydrogen exports and lower energy prices for the local population, while at the same time reducing emissions.

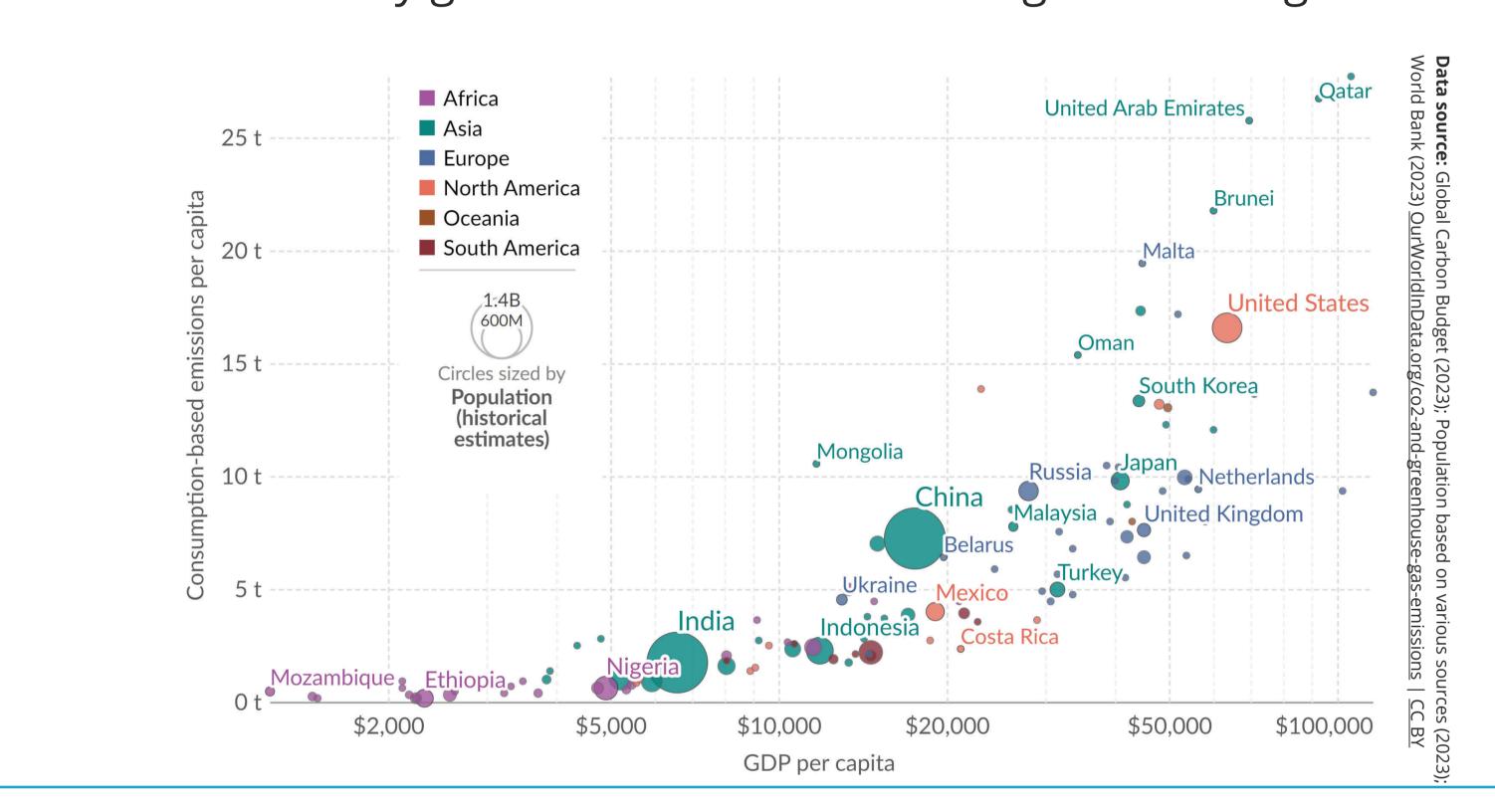
African energy system 2030 - Data source: Created using PyPSA-Earth and github.com/pypsa-meets-

earth/documentation/blob/main/notebooks/viz/regional transm system viz.ipynb

Motivation

In order to achieve national and international climate protection targets and to diversify Germany's and Europe's energy supply and make it more secure, a ramp-up of the hydrogen economy both nationally and internationally is of crucial importance. Two factors are elementary for this ramp-up: stable international partnerships and a stable legal and financial framework.

With a doubling population by 2050 and an average GDP per capita of \$2000 (compared to a global average of \$10,500) with marginal per capita CO_2 emissions of **0.8t** (compared to **8t** CO_2 in advanced economies), the question for most of the African continent is not whether net-zero emissions are possible by 2050, it is **how** net-zero emissions are possible while the economy grows **tenfold** to reach the global average.



Methodology

The aim of the research project is to enable African partner countries to enter the global hydrogen economy. To this end, a comprehensive transfer of knowledge is taking place and specific H₂ / PtX value and supply chains between Africa and Europe/Germany are being evaluated. The transformation of the energy systems in Europe, Germany and Africa will be considered in an integrated manner through coupled energy system modeling via PyPSA-Earth Sec in order to identify common transformation paths and potentials. In addition, the project will develop measures to promote the market ramp-up of hydrogen in Africa, such as a catalog of criteria and financing instruments. Key project results and models will be made available as open source/open data and will contribute to promoting the hydrogen sector in Africa and strengthening cooperation between Europe and Africa.

