### OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

The Financing Sustainable Energy initiative aims to mobilise financial instruments to support regional energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. More broadly, it will work to create financial mechanisms to leverage political support from ECOWAS Member States, in their determination to achieve sustainable energy growth models. The workshop will seek to assess the current structure of the markets, finance and information dissemination in the RE&EE sectors. It will improve knowledge on financial mechanisms and how they can be mobilized by regional actors while promoting the emergence of an adequate financial architecture at a national level.

ECREEE invites all interested stakeholders to contribute and participate in the ECOWAS Financing Sustainable Energy Initiative!

### KEY QUESTIONS

- Which financial mechanisms can be mobilized and what are their comparative advantages?
- What role can NAMAs and other green funds play in accelerating the development of RE & EE sectors in the ECOWAS countries?
- What are the challenges for accessing finance for small, medium- and large scale RE&EE projects?
- Projects and financing- what is the missing link?

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### PANEL DISCUSSION

**16:45**

Presentation of the Concept and Roadmap of the ECOWAS Initiative on Financing Sustainable Energy, Mahama Kappiah, Executive Director, ECREEE

**Key Note Speakers**

- Mark Dimmer, Senior Investment Officer, Private Infrastructure (AfDB)
- François Greaueme, ADEME
- Lawrence Agbemabiese, the AREEP Programme, UNEP
- Demba Diop – Energy Expert
- Andreas Karner, Energy Consultant of the Austrian Development Agency
- GERES, Expert on NAMAs
- Martin Lugmayr, the ECOWAS Renewable Energy Facility for rural and peri-urban areas (EREF), ECREEE/UNIDO
- David Vilar, the ECOWAS Renewable Energy Investment Initiative for Medium and Large Scale Projects, ECREEE

**18:30**

Summary & Wrap Up