

Integrated Resource Planning Training for Decision Makers

Day 4, Session 7 – Efficiency measures to reduce
demand growth

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Agenda

▶ The role of energy efficiency in an IRP

- Seeking to provide holistic least-cost approach to energy sector planning

▶ Energy efficiency in least cost planning

- Baseline or frozen scenario
- Energy efficiency potential by end-use sector
- Energy efficiency cost curves
- Establishing energy efficiency scenarios

▶ Policies and programmes for energy efficiency

- Barriers to energy efficiency
- Policies and programmes for addressing barriers

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The role of energy efficiency in an IRP

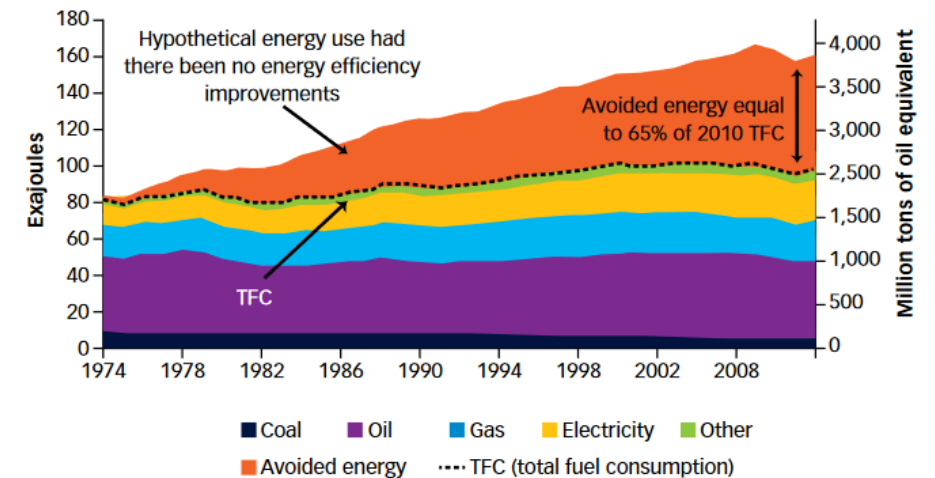
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Policies and programmes for energy efficiency

Energy efficiency has been central to the IRP concept since inception

- ▶ **The 1970s oil crises necessitated a focus on energy efficiency**
 - Efficiency was a major lever to reduce demand and dependence on oil
- ▶ **EE made the greatest contribution to meeting energy demands 1974-2010 (IEA 2013)**
- ▶ **Focusing on demand was therefore a key driver of IRP concept and least-cost generation planning**
- ▶ **Energy efficiency is a key resource**
 - “Among the cheapest and cleanest energy resources available” (World Bank)
 - EE can meet 30% of U.S. electricity demand over ten years (RAP 2016)
 - Efficiency could achieve 40% of the reductions needed to meet Paris agreement (IEA 2015)

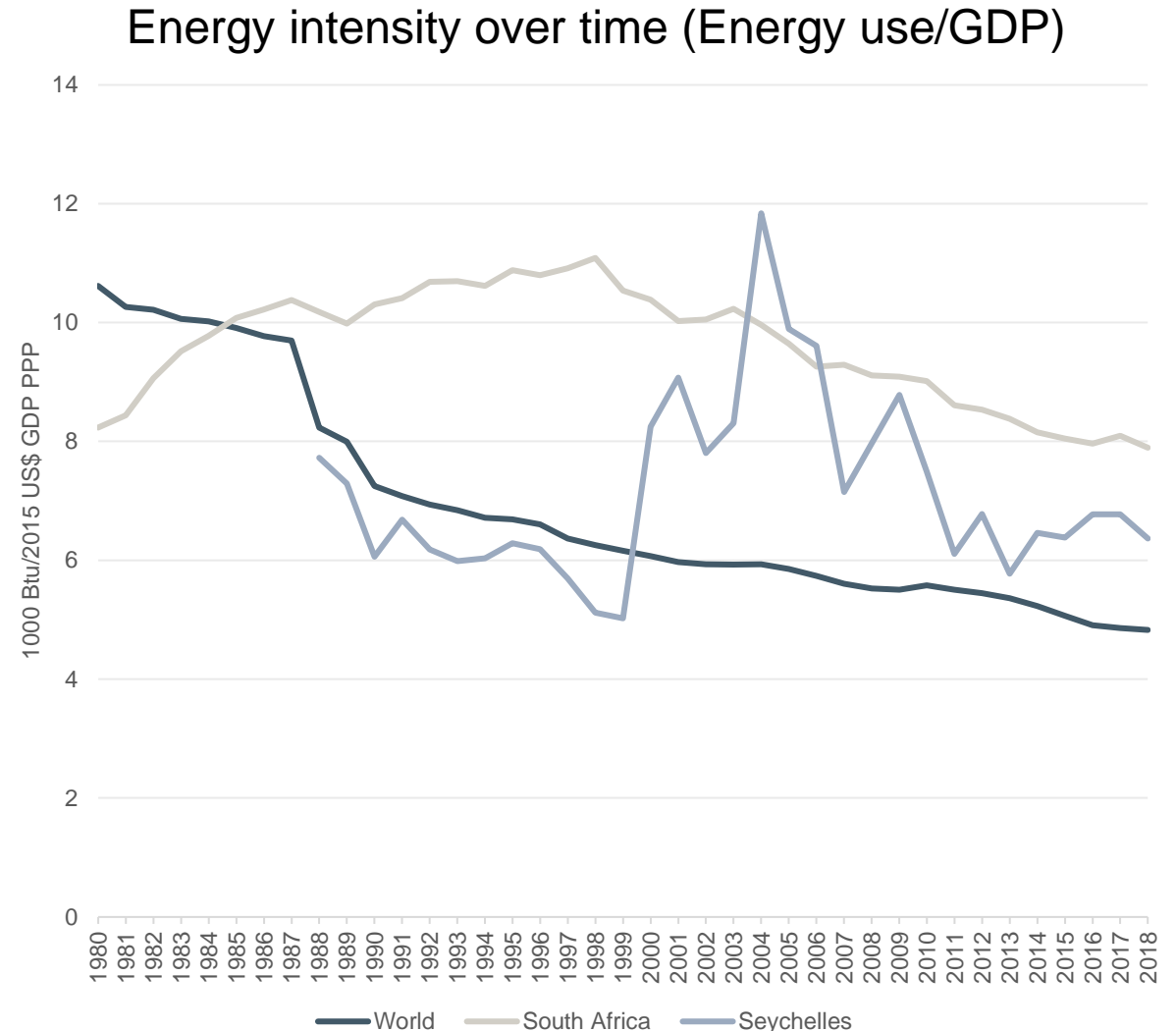
Energy generation and avoided energy use in 11 IEA countries



(IEA, 2013)

Defining energy efficiency

- ▶ Energy efficiency - improves when a given level of service is provided with reduced energy input or service is enhanced with fixed energy input
 - Maximises delivery of energy service while minimizing costs and negative impact of energy supply
- ▶ Energy intensity – quantity of energy required per unit output
- ▶ Energy intensity acts as a proxy for energy efficiency
 - Generally, reduces as countries' income grows
 - Structural factors (ie. size of energy intensive industry)
 - Behavioural factors (ie. age)



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Setting up our counterfactual

- ▶ **Need to establish a counterfactual scenario against which to compare improvements**
 - **Baseline scenario** – ‘business as usual’ includes underlying degree of efficiency improvements as technology improves and equipment is replaced (ie. some improvement in energy intensity)
 - **Frozen scenario (static)** – assumes no efficiency improvements. Based on expected growth of energy-services (ie. energy intensity per end-use sector is maintained)
 - **Dynamic frozen scenario** – Allows for replacement of retired equipment with new more efficient models, but does not allow for new technology

	Baseline	Frozen
Strengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realistic assumption of improvements in technology • May coincide with official forecast (especially where IRPs are not common) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simplifies the process as level of energy services can index to measured present consumption
Weaknesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adds level of complexity as need to predict assumptions • Difficulties in measuring level of energy service • Using official forecast may not provide sufficient detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not a true or realistic scenario

Potential EE measures

- ▶ Different EE measures will be relevant for different end-users, sectors, and countries
- ▶ Measures vary significantly in scale, cost, and EE potential
- ▶ Some measures can be implemented within a short time period (e.g. lighting) whereas others require longer time periods (e.g. EE buildings)

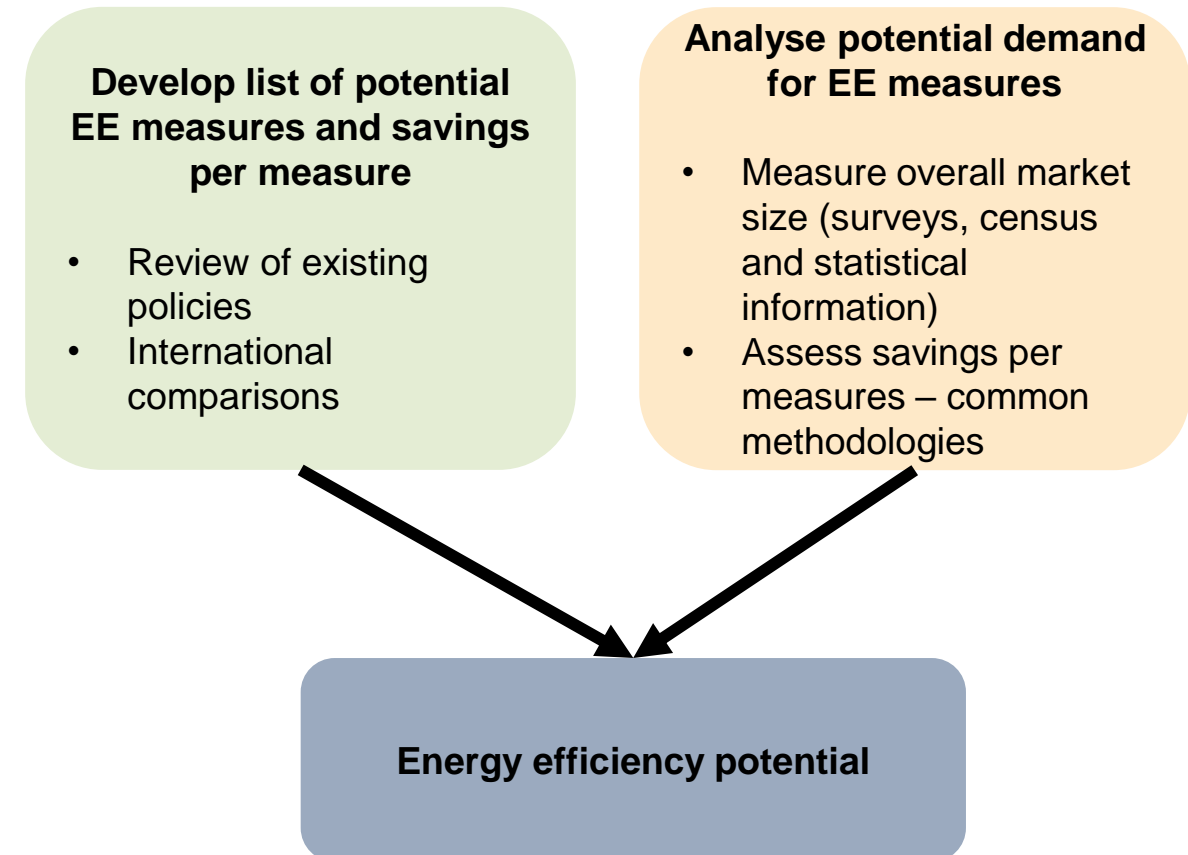
Sector	Potential EE measures
Residential	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved home insulation• Heat pumps• Domestic appliances
Commercial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heat pumps for buildings• Improved lighting
Industrial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Industrial machinery• Heat pumps for buildings• Improved lighting
Public sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Street lighting• Transport fleets• EE in public procurement
Mobility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electric vehicles• Fleet renewal

Establishing the energy efficiency potential

► Different definitions of EE potential

EE Potential	Definition
Technical potential	Improvements in end-use EE that could result if most efficient technologies known today were to attain 100% market saturation during one lifetime of the technology (10-20 years)
Economic potential	EE improvement that results from maximum use of cost-effective technologies
Market potential	Improvement that results from the use of EE measures which can be effectively implemented

► Method to estimate EE potential



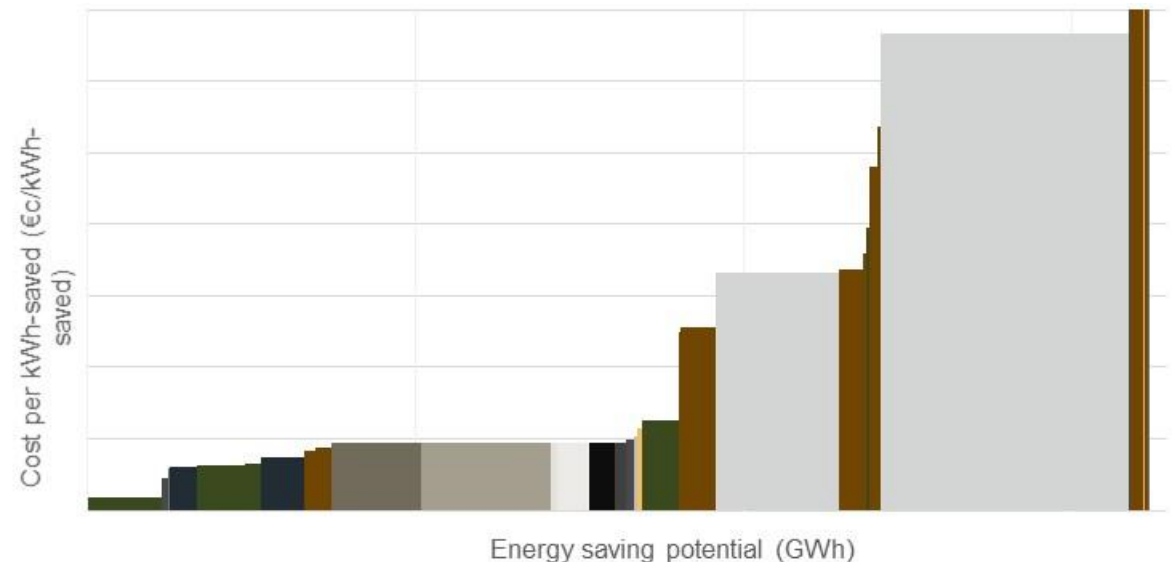
Creating energy efficiency cost curves

► Estimate costs of different EE measures

- Market prices (good for common, repeatable measures such as appliances)
- Energy audit results (good for bespoke applications among large users)
- International benchmarking (including cost per unit saved)

► Develop cost curves to show the marginal cost of energy savings

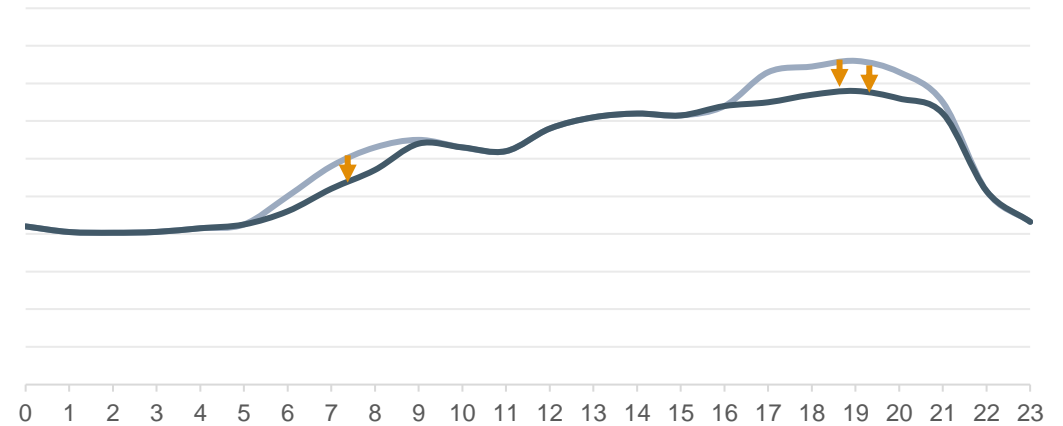
- **Cost curve ranks measures from lowest to highest cost (investment and operational cost) per kWh saved**
- Can show different category of measures



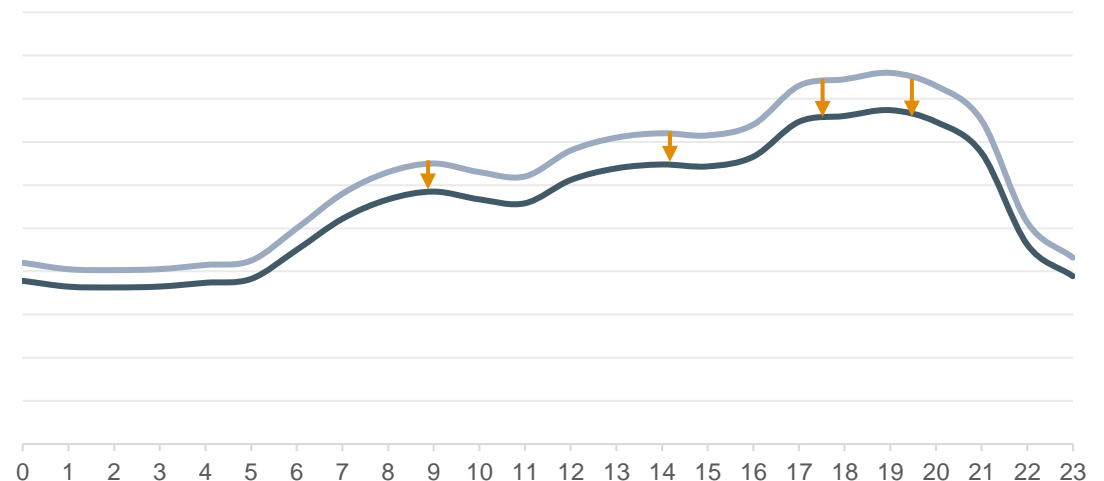
Temporal usage patterns also effect attractiveness

- ▶ **Effect of EE measures in least-cost planning go beyond simply reducing demand**
- ▶ **Different measures can impact daily load curve of different ways**
 - For example, if peak demand occurs in evenings, EE measures related to electric cooking or heating (depending on the local context) can reduce peaking
- ▶ **Can have an impact on the extent of extra generation needed**
- ▶ **Potential for integration with domestic storage and demand response**

Peak clipping (e.g. improvements in cooking or heating EE)



Energy conservation



Optimising demand and supply

► 2 different methods to incorporate EE into least-cost planning

	Alternative candidate resource	Set of demand-side scenarios
Method	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Energy efficiency measures enter the least-cost model as a candidate resource (similar to generation plants) Least-cost planning software determines the optimal level of EE measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set of demand-side scenarios are developed as an input into the least-cost model Different scenarios based on assumptions on the market potential and economic attractiveness of EE measures
Strengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimates the optimal level of EE measures Treats EE measures as a distinct resource 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simplified process Can develop different scenarios with different levels of EE measures to match policy expectations
Weaknesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adds complexity to the model May require several permutations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scenarios may be relatively static or arbitrary EE not treated as a distinct resource

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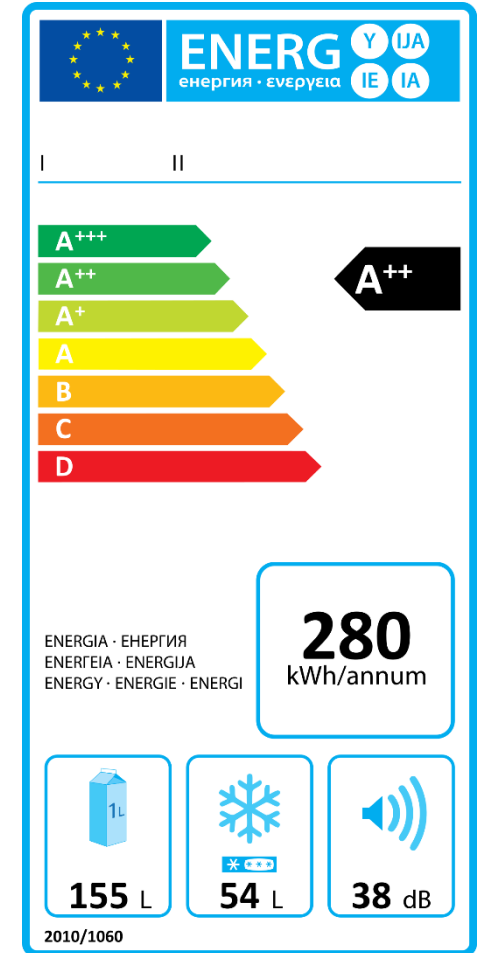
Identify barriers to uptake

- ▶ **Economically and financially attractive EE measures can face barriers to uptake**
- ▶ **Lack of incentives (eg. non cost-reflective tariffs) inhibit adoption of EE measures**

End-use sector	Common barriers to uptake
Residential	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of information on measures and their potential• Access to capital (especially among low-income households)• Split incentives (landlord/renter)• Rules on common ownership (e.g. multi-family homes)• High transaction costs
Commercial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of information on measures and their potential• Access to capital (especially among small enterprises)• High transaction costs (especially for small enterprises)
Industrial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lack of information• Short investment and decision-making horizon vs long payback period for some EE measures
Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public procurement rules• Budget cycles and incentives

Common policy actions for addressing

- ▶ Policies can be targeted at overcoming these barriers
- ▶ These do not usually form part of an IRP
- ▶ Policies can take various forms, such as:
 - Financing schemes
 - Fiscal incentives
 - Carbon and energy taxes
 - Training, education and information (eg. labelling)
 - Regulations – eg. Minimum Energy Performance Standard



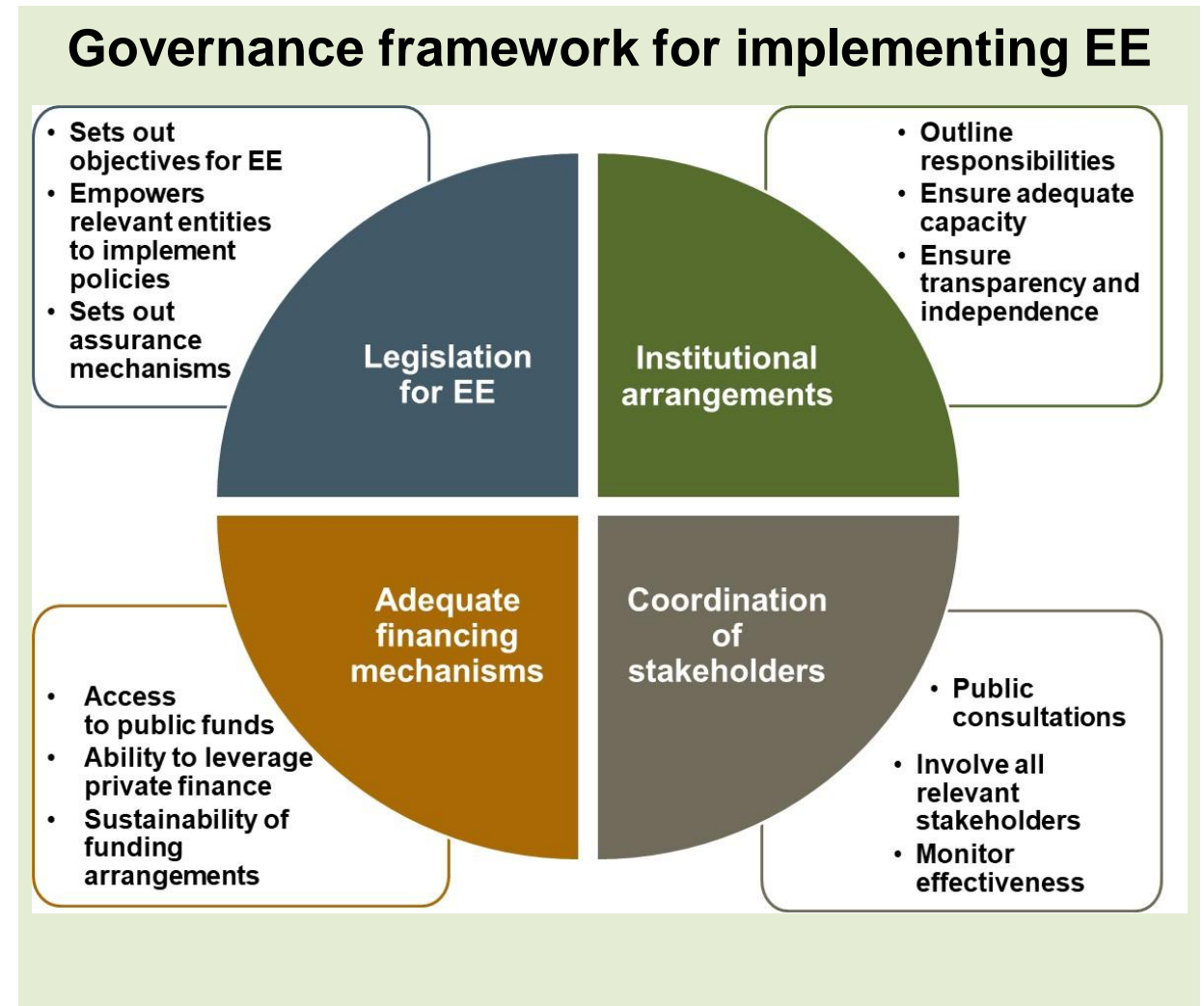
Implementation framework and challenges

► Challenges due to the decentralized and small-scale nature of EE measures

- Difficulties in verifying implementation and impact of EE measures
- Difficulties in reaching poorer households
- Lack of capacity within entities administering schemes

► Requires stakeholder engagement and consultation

- Need to ensure policies and measures are effective
- Develop buy-in among end-use sectors



Cost-benefit analysis of energy efficiency policies

- ▶ **What is financially attractive will not always have highest socio-economic benefit**
- ▶ **Conduct a cost-benefit analysis of potential measures**
 - Consider different stakeholders
 - Impacts discounted to NPV

	Benefits	Costs
Direct users (customers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Saving in energy bills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost of EE measures and programmes
Utility/electricity sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduced investment in infrastructure• Reduced operating costs (avoid double-counting savings in energy costs!)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lost sales
Broader impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lower emissions (beyond those captured through savings in emissions trading schemes/carbon tax)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity cost of EE programme (subsidies)• Impact on tax revenues (eg. impact on fuel tax collection when switching to EVs)

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Discussion

Energy efficiency scenarios in current IRPs

How are EE measures considered in your country's current planning document?

Energy efficiency scenarios in SADC power planning documents

Botswana: 'Energy demand management measures' scenario considered – BAU with technological progress and EE measures

Mauritius: Energy efficiency factored into demand forecasts

Mozambique: EE discussed but not factored into demand forecasts

Namibia: Review of current and planned programmes. Treated as a reduction in load.

Tanzania: Target EE rate set to reach 0.5% per year after 2026.

Discussion: Opportunities and barriers

What in your understanding are the biggest opportunities and barriers for improving EE in your country?

- Consider by sector:
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Public
 - Industry
 - Transport
- What are energy intensive activities where savings are greatest?
- What
- What opportunities do new technologies bring?

Discussion: Policy mix

What policies have been, or are planned, for adoption? What would you like to see considered?

- E.g.
 - Minimum standards
 - Information campaigns
 - Subsidy programmes
- Consider challenges and potential framework for implementing?
- What steps do you believe need to be taken to enable implementation?

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