

## Goals of European Hydropower R&I Funding

### **HYPOSO Final Event**

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## **European Green Deal**







Become climate-neutral by 2050

Protect human life, animals and plants, by cutting pollution



REPowerEU

EU Taxonomy

Revision of the EU Electricity Market Design

> Net-Zero Industry Act/Critical Raw Materials Act

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### **EU SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES**

CLIMATE AND			SUSTAINABLE FINANCE
<ul> <li>2030 Climate and Energy Framework</li> <li>Energy Union Package</li> <li>EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Natural Capital Management</li> <li>Air</li> <li>Water</li> <li>Land</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Circular Economy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Investment Plan for Europe (Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI); InvestEU; EU cohesion policy funds)</li> <li>External investment plan</li> <li>Horizon 2020</li> </ul>	• Sustainable Finance within the Capital Markets Union
<ul> <li>Long-term strategy to reach carbon neutrality by 2050</li> <li>EU Environmental Action Plan</li> </ul>			



## AU-EU High Level Policy Dialogue Climate Change and Sustainable Energy (CCSE) Partnership – Roadmap – Sustainable Energy

**Renewable Energy:** Overarching objectives

 Replacing fossil fuel-based energy supply by renewable energy sources is a mitigation measure to climate change and a valuable sustainable solution to increasing energy access in Africa. Renewable energy can be collected from a wide variety of sources including solar, wind, hydro, sustainable biomass (including waste), geothermal, wave, and tidal.

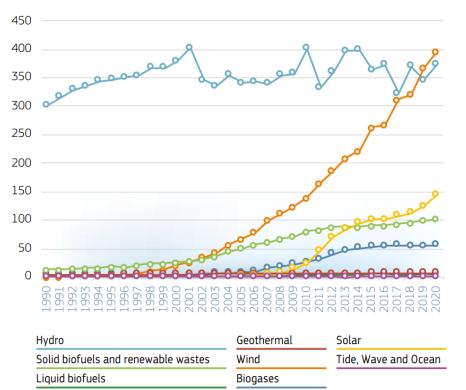
**LEAP RE** project:

- It is a joint programme of activities with a long term perspective
- Pillar 1: Joint call for proposals (African and European agencies); Pillar 2: 8 research actions ; Pillar 3: Future long-term collaboration
- 31 countries: 20 from Africa and 11 from Europe
- 83 organisations: 39 from Africa and 44 from Europe
- Total project cost: 32,55M€
- Total EC Funding: 14,95M€



## **Hydropower in Europe**

#### BY FUEL: RENEWABLES - 1990-2020 (TWh)



source: Eurostat April 2022

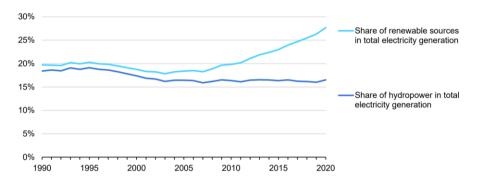
- Limited potential of additional capacities, but high potential in energy system services
- Strong technology base

- Challenges and opportunities:
  - Refurbishment
  - Flexible operation / grid balancing
  - Sustainability, e.g. water/river connectivity
- Overall R&I strategy:
  - long-term challenges require continuous efforts
  - maintain European hydropower
     research and industry value chains
  - Global cooperation on sustainable hydropower



## **Global Hydropower Developments**

Figure 3.20 Shares of hydropower and total renewable sources in global electricity generation, 1990-2020

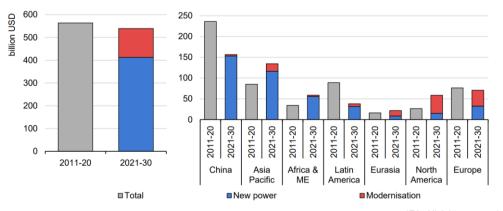


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Sources: Based on IEA (2020a), World Energy Statistics and Balances 2020 (database); IEA (2021c), Global Energy Review 2021.

Source: IEA Hydropower Special Market Report 2021

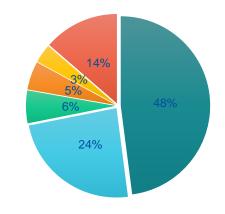
#### Figure 3.17 Hydropower capacity investment globally (left) and by region (right), 2011-2020 and 2021-2030



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#### Notes: ME = Middle East.

Global Exports in 2019 (878 M EUR)



#### ■EU ■China ■India ■Brazil ■USA ■Other

Source: International Trade Center (ITC). Trade statistics for international business development 2020, in SWD(2020) 953 final.

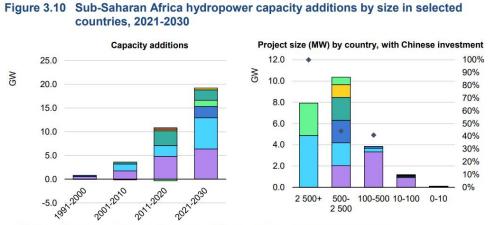
#### Research articles on hydropower 01/2016 – 08/2020



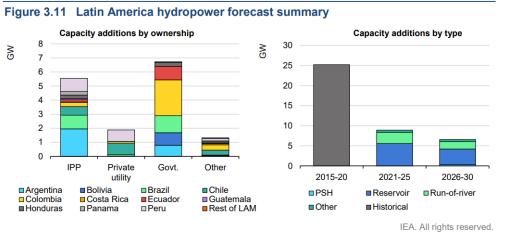
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## What can European Hydropower Technology offer worldwide?



■Nigeria ■Zimbabwe ■Angola ■Tanzania ■Ethiopia ■Other ♦% Chinese involvement



Notes: IPP = independent power producer. LAM = Latin America. PSH = pumped-storage hydropower.

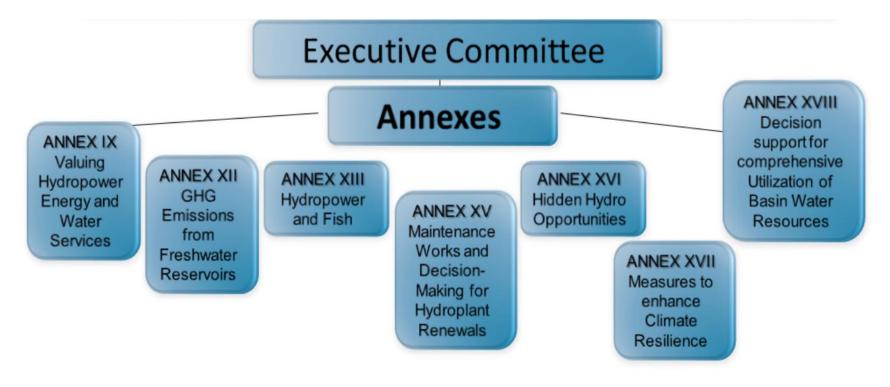
- Worldwide hydropower capacity is still growing
- Sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America have still high potential for capacity additions
- European technology providers have high competition, but can continue to be market leaders for sustainable hydropower technology



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## Hydropower: Global cooperation





European Commission





## THE EU RESEARCH & INNOVATION PROGRAMME 2021 – 27

This presentation is based on the political agreement of 11 December 2020 on the Horizon Europe. Information on some parts is pending revision.

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## **Our Vision**

The EU's key funding programme for research and innovation:

- Tackles climate change
- Helps to achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals
- Boosts the EU's competitiveness and growth
- Facilitates collaboration and strengthens the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies while tackling global challenges
- Supports the creation and better diffusion of excellent knowledge and technologies
- Creates jobs, fully engages the EU's talent pool, boosts economic growth, promotes industrial competitiveness and optimises investment impact within a strengthened European Research Area.





## **Hydropower in Horizon Europe Cluster 5**

- HORIZON-CL5-2021-D3-02-15 Support to the activities of the ETIPs and technology areas of the SET Plan
  - ETIP HYDROPOWER
- HORIZON-CL5-2021-D3-03-11 Development of hydropower equipment for hidden hydropower (EUR 10M)
  - H-HOPE
- HORIZON-CL5-2022-D3-03-08 Development of digital solutions for existing hydropower operation and maintenance (EUR 9M)
- HORIZON-CL5-2023-D3-02-09 Demonstration of sustainable hydropower refurbishment (EUR 8M)
- HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-01-07 Development of hydropower equipment for improving techno-economic efficiency and equipment resilience in refurbishment situations (EUR 8M)
- HORIZON-CL5-2024-D3-01-16 Demonstration of innovative pumped storage equipment and tools in combination with innovative storage management systems (EUR 8M)



# Thank you for your attention!

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