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Energy in Commercial Buildings, Uganda

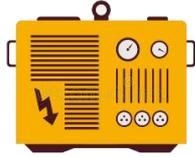
Accesibility, Reliability and Equal Opportunity

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Energy Mix: national supply



Wood Fuel = 93%



Petroleum = 5%

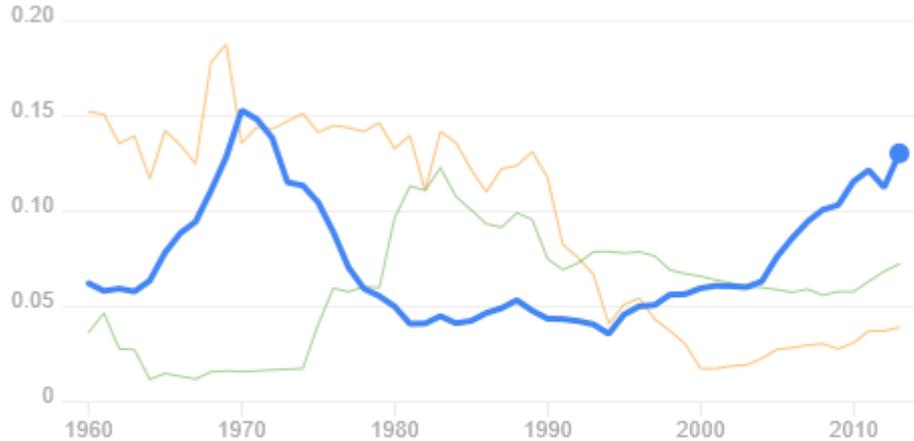
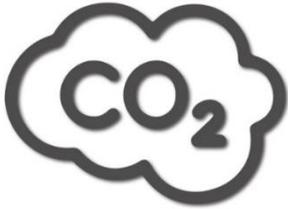


Hydro = 1.5%

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National Energy availability is low and is heavily reliant on burning fuel.

CARBON
EMISSIONS



- Uganda
0.13 metric tons
- Rwanda
0.07 metric tons
- Democratic Republic of the Congo
0.04 metric tons

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Context: design patterns



Kenya



Tanzania



Uganda



Rwanda



Burundi

Full Glass façades are an increasing design typology in Uganda. Which is not suitable for humid equatorial climate

Background: professional context



United States of
America

105,000 Licensed architects

$\frac{1 \text{ Architect}}{2,000 \text{ people}}$



European
Union

565,000 Licensed architects

$\frac{1 \text{ Architect}}{1,000 \text{ people}}$



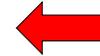
The Republic of
Uganda

170 Licensed architects

$\frac{1 \text{ Architect}}{207,400 \text{ people}}$

Practice: regulation context

Demographic	Annual Income	Sector	Building Team
	> 41,208 €	Core Urban	CA  MEP  Co  SE  A 
	≤ 13,200 €	Urban	    
	≤ 3,684 €	Peri-Urban	   
	≤ 2,448 €	Peri-Urban	
	≤ 576 €	Rural	

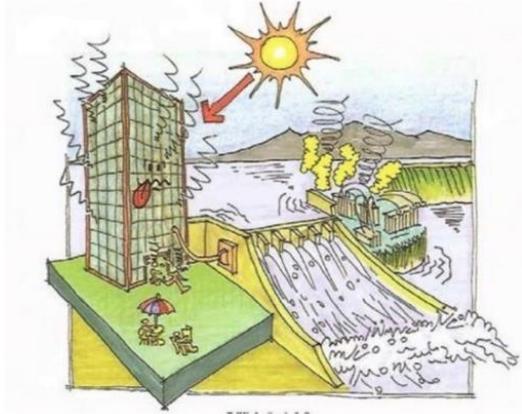


Architect Role

is barely evident since most construction is NOT regulated.

Even in regulated areas Architects play a minor role

consequence: fully glazed façades



Over 70% of energy is consumed in cities



Contemporary: aspirations



1960

0 %
80 %

before

Air conditioning
Shading devices



2017

50 %
0 %

after

Air conditioning
Shading devices

Less Shading

more air conditioning is a noticeable trend even in restoration or renovation projects.

Challenge: ... electricity context

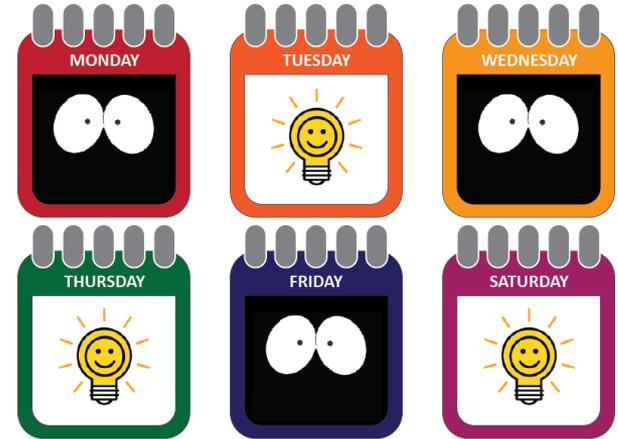
Hydro electricity Supply
is inadequate and is
earmarked by load shedding
and frequent Blackouts

Slow Growth

Supply	2002		2015
Supply	300 MW	→	695 MW
Demand	285 MW	→	660 MW

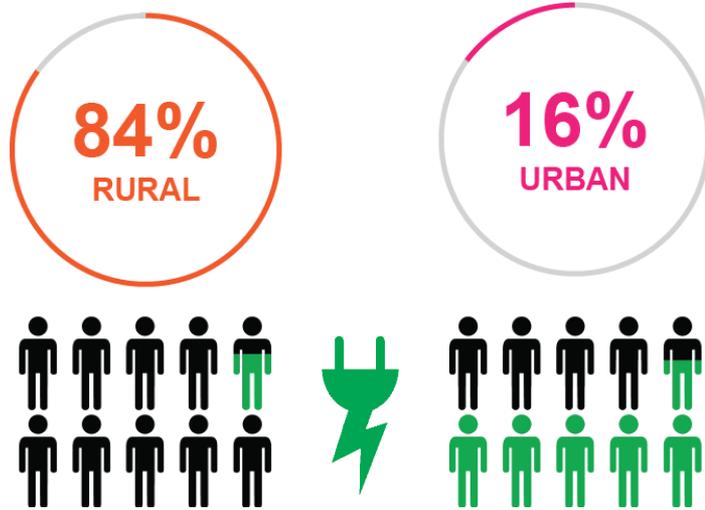
(Annual growth rate of
20%)

Weekly BlackOut !



Up to 3 days each Week!

Challenge: ...restricted national electrification



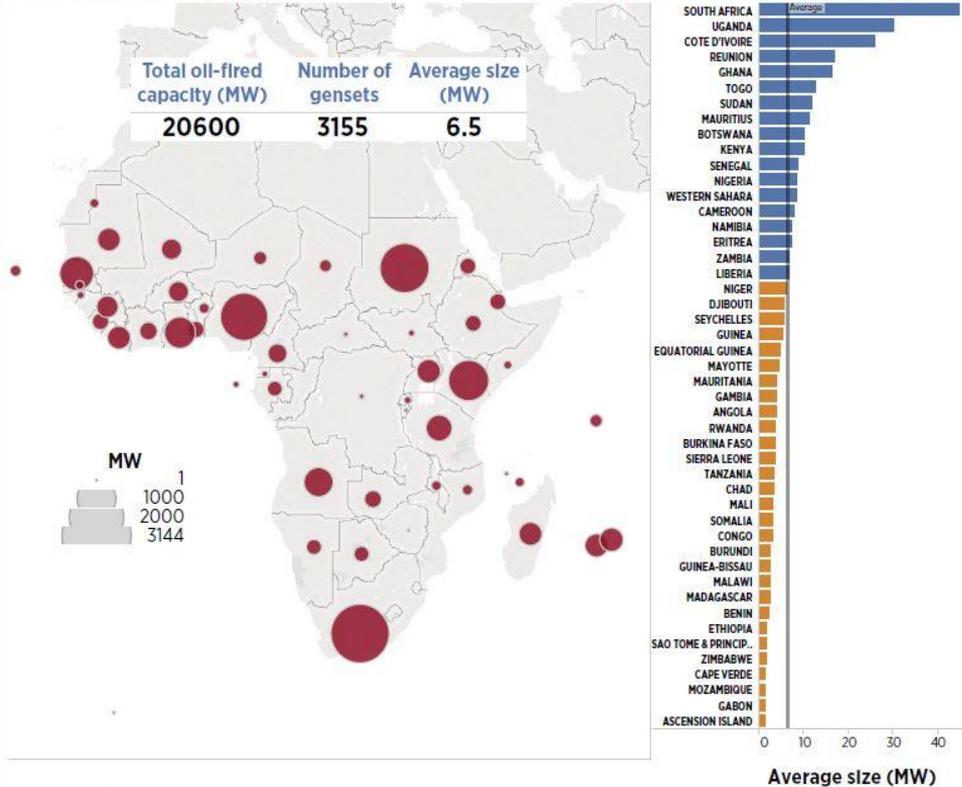
Population

is has low access to electricity.

More supply options need to be considered.

Challenge: ...high dependence on Diesel generators

FIGURE 31: EXISTING OIL/DIESEL GENERATOR CAPACITY IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA AND AVERAGE SIZE PER GENERATOR



Source: Platts, 2016

Diesel remains the dominant alternative for electricity

Proposed Impact: Energy Use Intensity

EUI Commercial Building Benchmark (kWh/m²/year)

High	Mean	Low
230.4	156	103.4

“Consume more energy because of less efficient HVAC systems..”
(Mukwaya & Okidi- Lating, 2014)

Energy demand
is directly linked to
mechanical cooling systems

energy mix for typical 1000m² Office

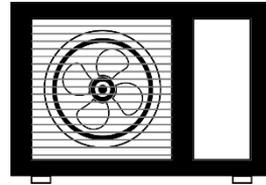
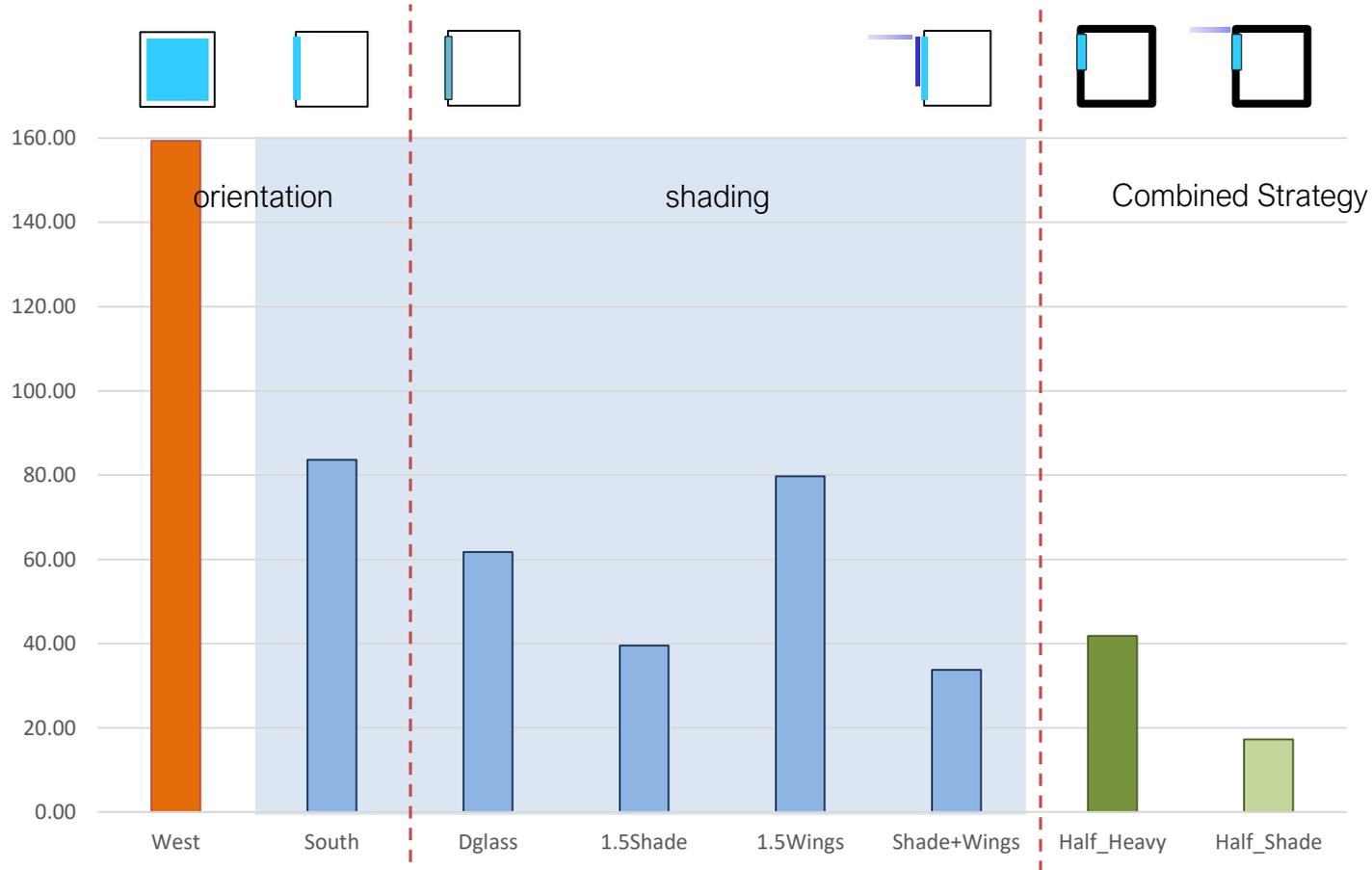


	Demand	Tariff	Annual
	78 kWh/m ²	€ 0.24 / kWh	€ 18,720
	78 kWh/m ²	€ 0.19 / kWh	€ 14,820

€ 33,540

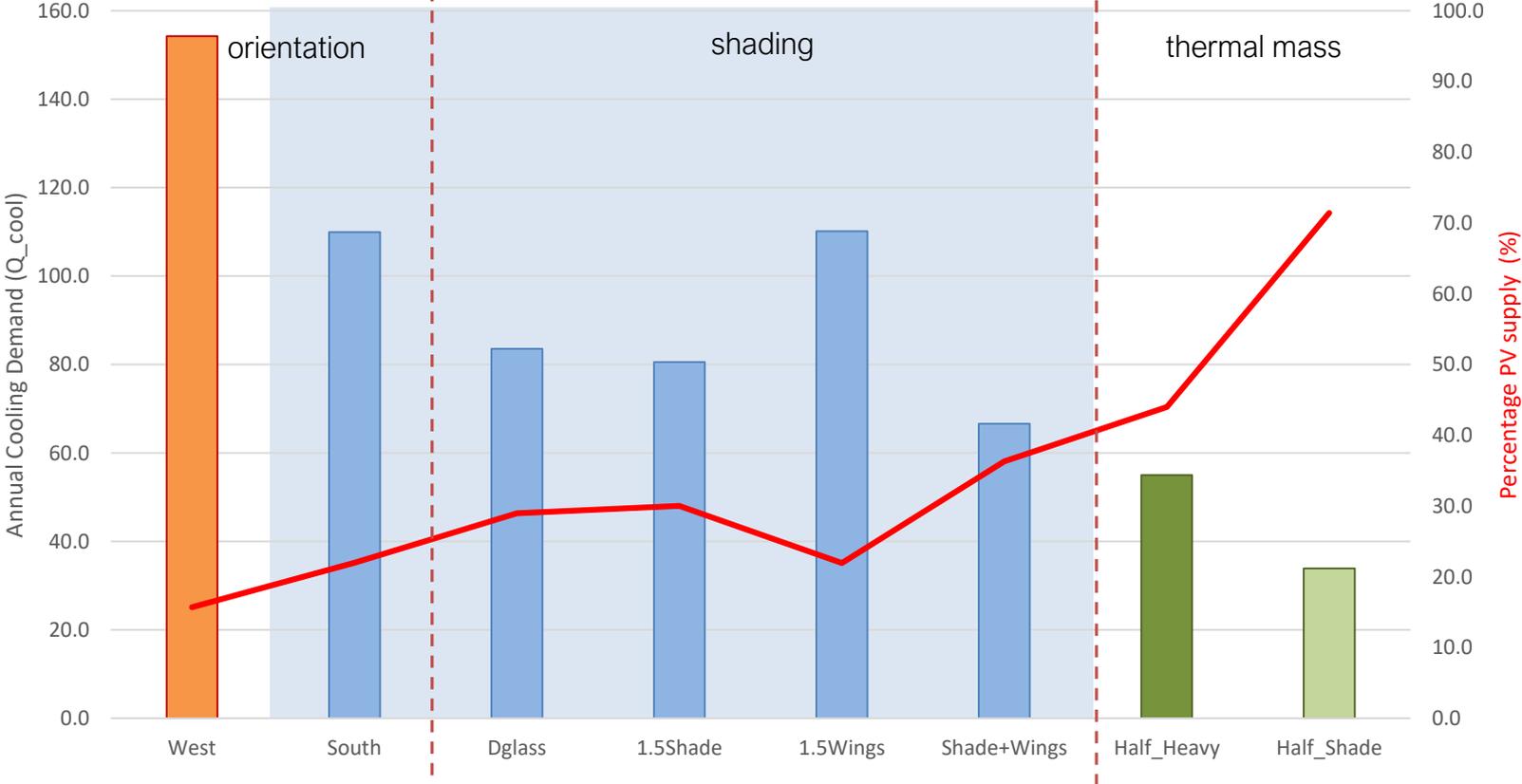
Thermal Study: lower peak loads (W/m^2), smaller systems .

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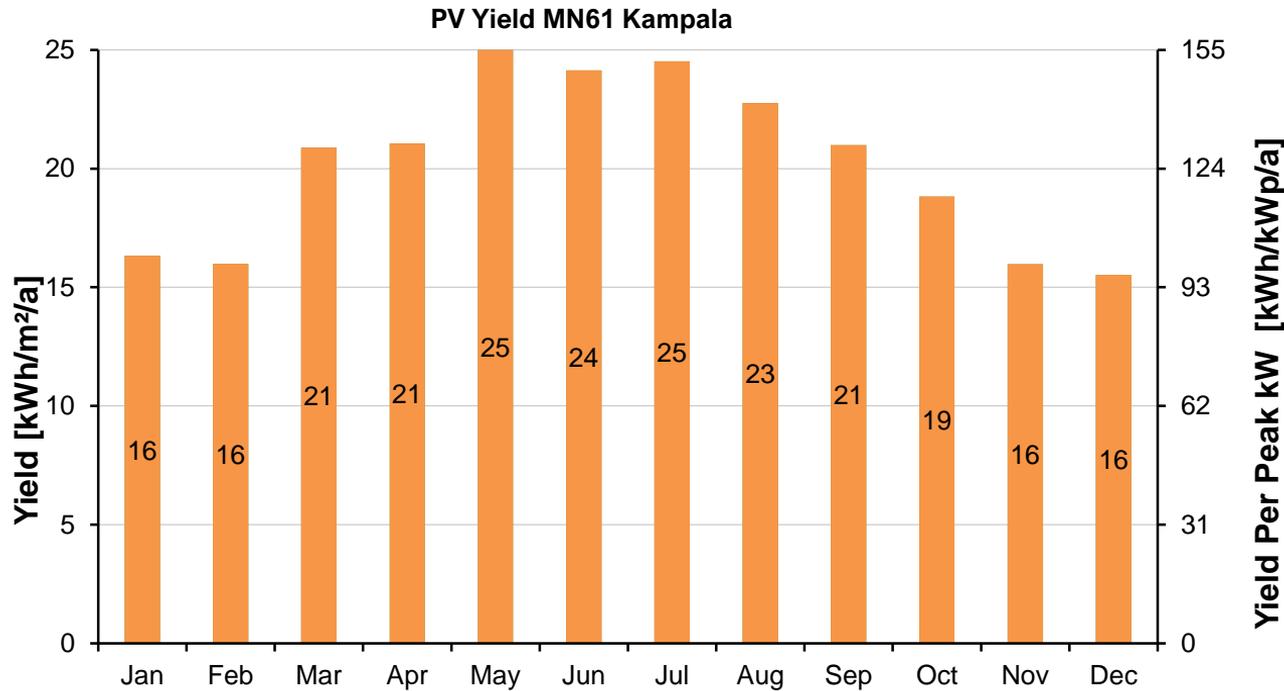


Less Demand: makes PV a viable supply alternative

Energy (kWh/m²)



Additional Supply: potential PV yield



PV
is possible supply
alternative in this
context

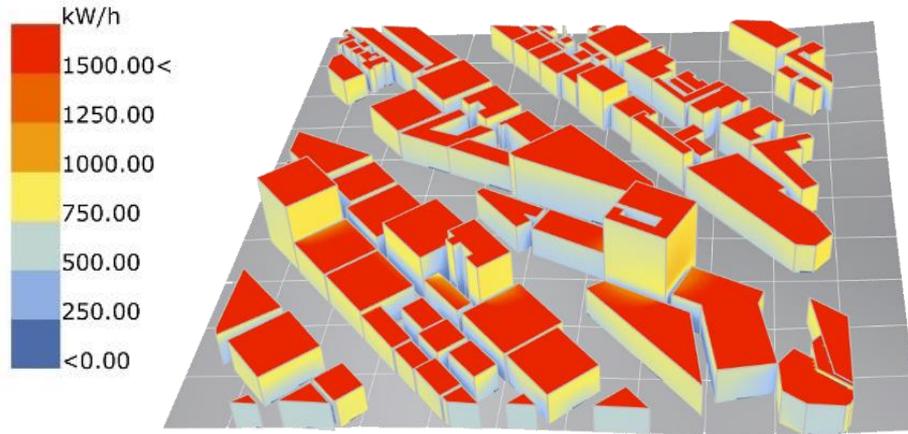
Slope Of Surface: 0 °; Azimuth: 0 °

Solar Radiation In PV Plane: 1724 kWh/m²/a

Specific System Production: 242 kWh/m²/a 16% efficiency

Specific System Production: 1501 kWh/kWp/a

Additional Supply: shared Investment potential



$$242 \text{ kWh/m}^2/\text{a} \times 50\text{m}^2 \times 100 = 1.21 \text{ GWh/a}$$

PV

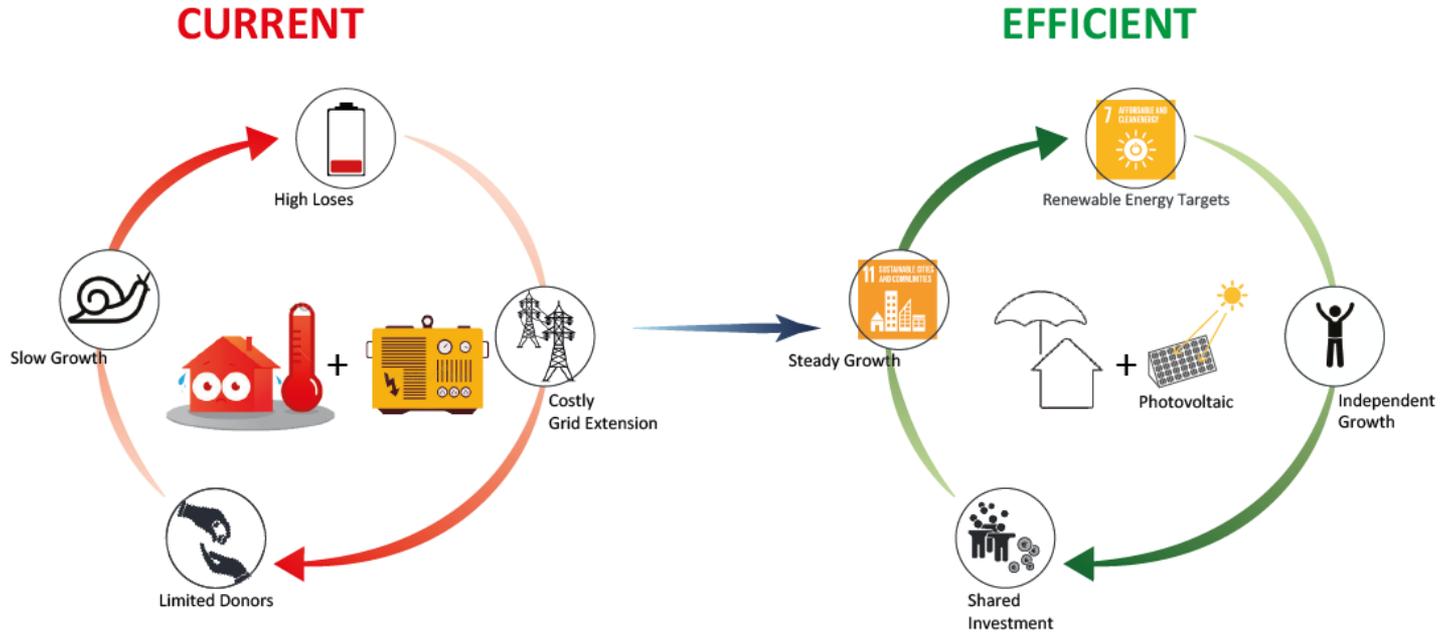
Systems can be procured locally at building scale, yet can make an impact at city scale

Table 3-2. Additional Planned Capacity

UECTL-commissioned power plants	Planned Capacity	Completion date	Total Investment Cost	Average Investment Cost
Karuma Hydro Power dam	600 MW	2019	US\$1.688 billion	US\$2.8M per MW
Isimba Hydro Power dam	183 MW	2019	US\$567.7M	US\$3.0M per MW
Ayago Hydro power	840 MW	2022	US\$1.97 billion	US\$2.3M per MW

Source: Kyokunzire, 2016; Wesonga and Mugerwa, 2015; Uganda Government NDPII, 2015.

Target: synergy between design efficiency and energy use



World Bank refinancing of Uganda's Bujagali hydropower scheme under the spotlight

Approach: architects, city planners, and developers (like-minded innovators.)



[“Innovation and community” – Sustainable design by Andrew Amara](#)

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Looking forward

this informaion shall be shared with locacl opinion leaders and innovators to maximise impact



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