

**BUILDING THE AFRICAN UNION - EUROPEAN UNION RESEARCH & INNOVATION COMMUNITY FOR** RENEWABLE ENERGY









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### WHY?

One of the most effective ways to support the transformative path toward a more sustainable, affordable, and accessible renewable energy in both Africa and Europe is the promotion of joint research and innovation efforts in the frame of the AU-EU High-Level Policy Dialogue process (AU-EU HLPD).

# WHO?

A team of European and African experts implement an EU-funded project PRE-LEAP-RE. This team gathers together 17 partners from 14 countries, working in academia, research organisations and public institutions.

### WHAT?

The PRE-LEAP-RE project aims to build an AU-EU research and innovation community for renewable energy. The main objective is to prepare a European Joint Programme (EJP) based on the experience of previous similar successful projects.



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#### WHAT?

The 17 project partner organisations aim to:

**ELABORATE** a mapping and analyse past and current initiatives, opening synergies with ongoing activities in order to identify research and capacity needs.

**DEFINE** a research and innovation agenda implemented through a human and institutional capacity agenda. Both agendas context-driven and with effective links between education, research, and innovation – the three sides of the "knowledge triangle".

**BOOST** the initiative towards an AU-EU Platform on RE, activating policy makers, public institutions, academia, private sector and civil society. Working together must build a long-term collaboration and effective innovation in RE by securing the engagement of national key stakeholders.

### WHEN?

The preparatory work scheduled for the second half of 2018 is in particular an analysis of existing relationships and running initiatives, identification and consolidation of interested stakeholders and prioritisation of common technical and strategic challenges (elaboration of a Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda - SRIA). In 2019, the work will focus on capacity building agenda, formal consolidation of the initiative and quantification of engagements from private and public actors.

## HOW?

To ensure appropriate representation of relevant stakeholders and experts, the project shall establish the following external groups:



**Advisory Board:** appointed high-level sectorial experts from targeted European and African institutions.



**Stakeholder Group:** composed of representatives from public administrations, funding bodies, executive agencies, RTOs, private sector, academia and civil society.

The PRE-LEAP-RE consortium representatives are open to welcome new organisations in the Stakeholder Group and discuss their needs, priorities and potential engagement capacity within the European Joint Programme under preparation. More information and details upon request can be provided. Completing the Expression of Interest form for stakeholders shall facilitate future communications. You can also subscribe to our mailing list on our website – www.leap-re.com.





































