



POWERING RURAL COMMUNITIES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

**SDG 17 IN ACTION: LESSONS FROM CREACC NG'S
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS IN NIGERIA**

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CREACC NG's Community-Centered Approach

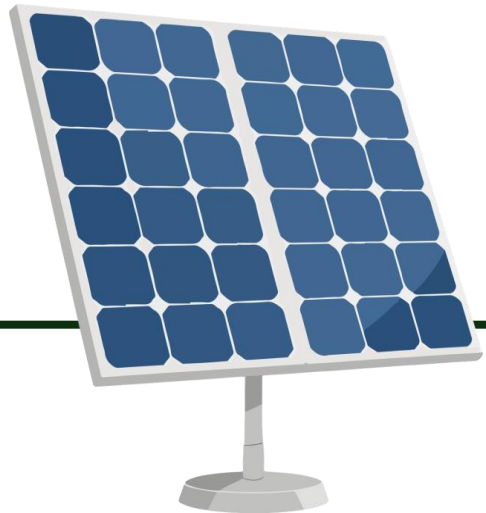
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Why Partnerships Matter

"Energy access is not only a technology challenge; it is a partnership challenge."
Over 80 million Nigerians still lack reliable electricity.

Remote communities face:

- Energy poverty
- Limited access to clean water
- Weak healthcare systems
- Low agricultural productivity
- Limited economic opportunities



No single organization can solve these challenges alone.

SDG 17 reminds us that sustainable development requires collaboration across sectors.





CREACC NG's Community-Centered Approach

Our approach begins with people, not technology.

Key Principles:

- Community ownership
- Local participation
- Inclusion of women and youth
- Long-term sustainability
- Shared responsibility

Before installation:

- ✓ Community consultations (Community Entry Point)
- ✓ Needs assessments
- ✓ Local leadership engagement
- ✓ Community management committees VEC, PIC



Our Partnership Ecosystem

Government Partners

- Local Governments
- Traditional Institutions
- Health Facilities
- Schools

Development Partners

- EKOenergy ecolabel
- Irish Aid Program, Foreign Embassies in Nigeria
- AUDA-NEPAD/other Govt. Parastatals collaborations
- UNCCD/other UN collaborations
- Local/International NGOs

Technical Partners

- Engausa Tech
- Renewable energy suppliers
- Local technicians

Community Partners

- Women groups
- Youth groups
- Farmers associations
- Village Development Committees

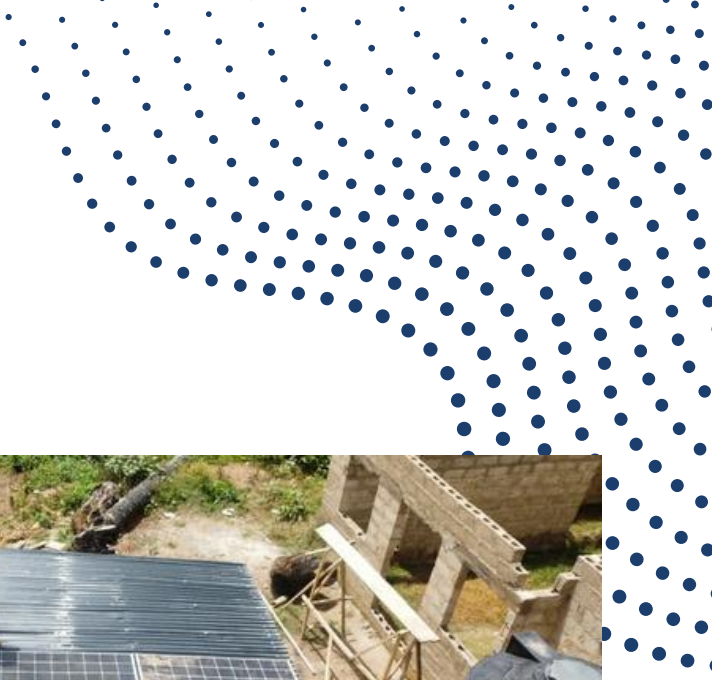
Result:

A multi-stakeholder partnership model delivering lasting impact.



Government of Ireland
International Development Programme





Example Projects/Impacts

Solar Water & Energy Systems

- Baure Village
- Daurawa Community
- Akinlalu Community
- Bulbuli Community
- Marawa Community
- Chediya Community

Results:

- Reliable energy access
- Clean water access
- Improved healthcare services
- Economic opportunities





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Impacts Beyond Electricity



Energy is only the beginning.

Observed Community Benefits:

Health

- Improved maternal and child healthcare

Water

- Reduced burden on women and girls

Education

- Better learning environments

Livelihoods

- Small business growth
- Phone charging enterprises
- Agricultural productivity improvements

Climate

- Reduced diesel and generator dependence

Social Inclusion

- Increased participation of women and youth



Lessons We Have Learned

- Trust comes before technology.
- Communities must participate from design to implementation.
- Women are essential drivers of sustainability.
- Local ownership improves long-term maintenance.
- Partnerships create scale and impact.
- Without partnerships, projects end, but with partnerships, projects grow.



SDG 17 in Action



The future of the just and inclusive energy transition depends on partnerships.

Governments.

Communities.

Private sector.

Civil society.

Donors.

Working together.

At CREACC NG, we have seen that renewable energy becomes transformational when communities are not beneficiaries—but partners.



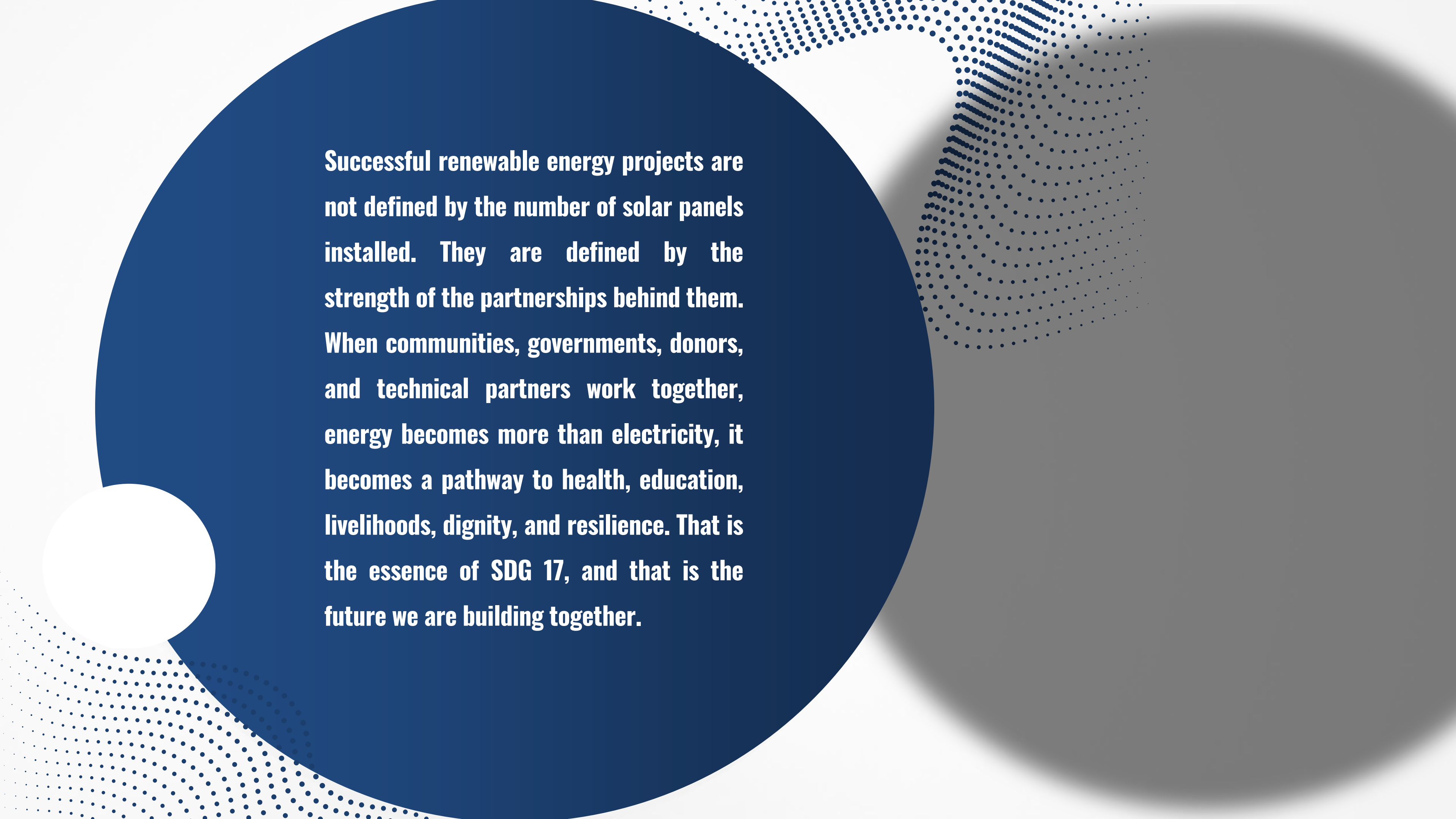
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Successful renewable energy projects are not defined by the number of solar panels installed. They are defined by the strength of the partnerships behind them. When communities, governments, donors, and technical partners work together, energy becomes more than electricity, it becomes a pathway to health, education, livelihoods, dignity, and resilience. That is the essence of SDG 17, and that is the future we are building together.