

# Gaia Africa Climate Fund 2021

Catalysing Africa's Climate Infrastructure Development Cycle USD 200 Million







## **OUR WAY OF LIFE IS IN THE BALANCE**

Africa is the tipping point

17% of world's population

- 7 of the top 20 fastest growing economies
- 17 of the top 20 fastest growing cities
- Youngest population
- Greatest renewable energy potential
- Energy consumption to quadruple over next 20 years
- <2% global renewable energy investment</li>

If Africa is to energise using fossil fuels, the impact will be **global** 

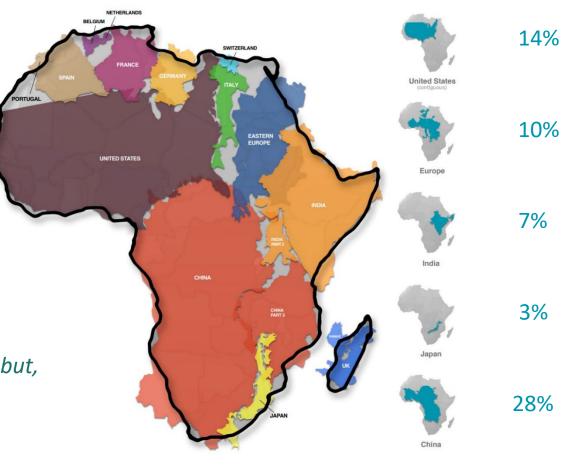
"Africa's contribution to climate change has been the least but,

as we chart our economic future,

Africa must be central to the **global climate solution**."









62%

TOTAL:

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**Emissions** 

## **CHALLENGE**

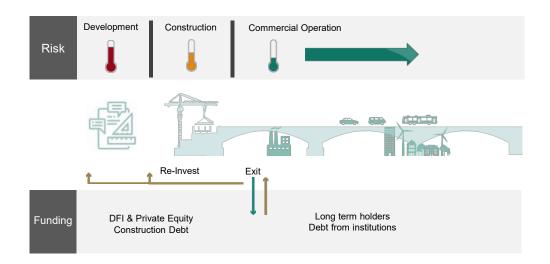
## Sub-Saharan Africa Starved of Electricity

- Access to electricity critical to rise above poverty
- Nearly 600 million without electricity
- Only 7 countries have electrification rate >50%
- Lack of alternative means businesses depend on fossil fuels. Generator Use: Kenya, 57%; Tanzania, 42%; Ethiopia, 41%
- Generator power costs x 4 of grid power

### Ineffective

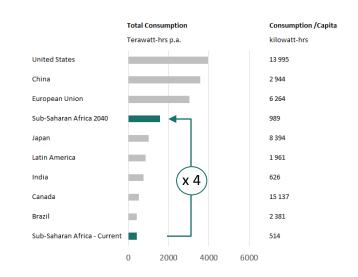
## Clean Energy Project Development Cycle

- Funding gaps (development & secondary) preventing effective development cycle
- The <u>primary bottleneck</u> has become the <u>secondary market</u> preventing capital to be recycled into new greenfield projects



# SSA Electricity Consumption Set to Increase

- SSA has 7 out of 20 fastest growing economies
- Total energy consumption x 4 by 2040





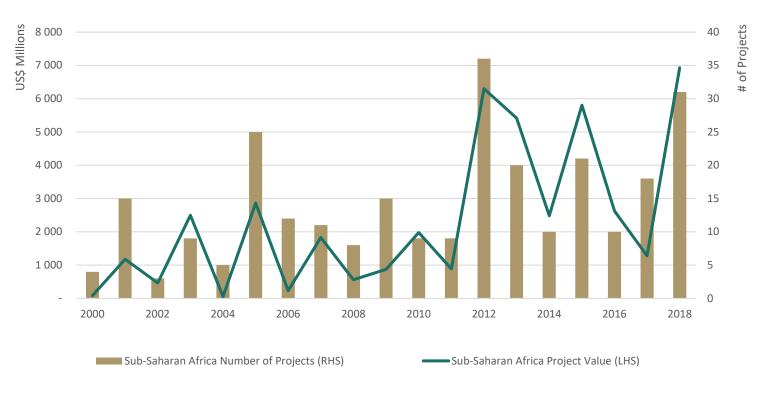
## **CAPITAL RECYCLING NEEDS**

### Pipeline of Projects Requiring Exits

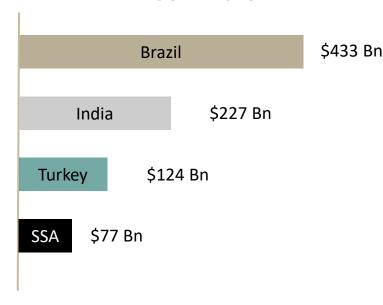
### The Necessity for Secondary Transactions

- · An established exit path is critical in creating a sustainable initial financing platform
  - Allows greenfield investors to recycle their capital
  - Creates demand for new projects
  - · Reduces exit risk and therefore upfront risk premium along with project costing to the benefit of the host nation

## **Renewable Energy Projects Brought Online**







Data from: 1991 -2015

Sources: The World Bank and Public-Private Infrastructure Advisory Facility (PPIAF),

Private Participation in Infrastructure Database, 2016,

http://ppi.worldbank.org/index.aspx.

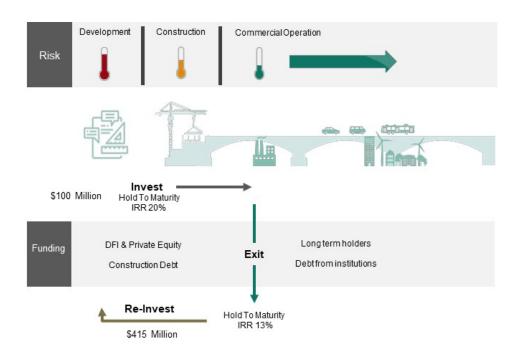


## **CASE STUDY – SOUTH AFRICA**

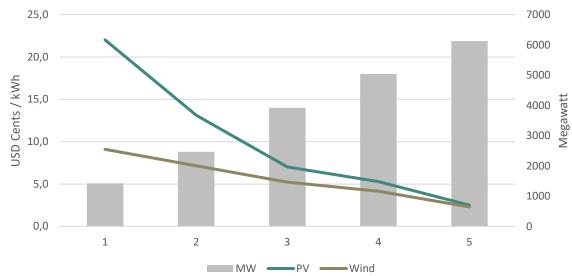
## The effect of sound funding and development ecosystem

South Africa's Independent Renewable Energy Programme

- 10 years = 6,000 MW
- Decrease in prices
  - Solar 8.8 x
  - $\circ$  Wind 4 x
- Offset fossil fuels
- > R250 billion direct investment
- > 38,000 full time jobs created



### Renewable Energy



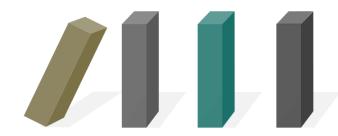


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\$200m Fund to Acquire Secondary Equity Interests in Renewable Energy + Water & Sanitation Projects in Sub-Saharan Africa

**Investment Strategy** 

Mission: Catalyse a sustainable project development cycle















### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

Accelerate the project development cycle by providing an exit and allowing developers/investors to realise value and reinvest into the cycle

Crowd in more investors at all stages of the project development cycle

Effect direct upskilling and skill transfer to develop a local skilled workforce to support a sustainable local industry

Provide access to clean renewable energy

### TARGET SIZE

US\$ 200 million



### **IMPACT**

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Accelerate the climate infrastructure project development snowball

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Direct upskilling & skill transfer to support a sustainable local industry

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Prioritising and promoting exemplary governance structures

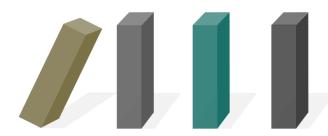


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### **SECTOR FOCUS**

Sustainable & Renewable infrastructure (utility scale)

- Primary focus energy
- Secondary focus water & sewage (limited deal flow currently)







### **GEOGRAPHY**

Sub-Saharan Africa (Excl. South Africa)



Asset Stage Secondary Expansion Greenfield

### **INVESTMENT STAGE & RETURN**

Target Allocation	Target Return US\$	Number of Deals	Capital Allocation
75% - 100%	12% - 14%	4 – 6	USD150m-
0% – 20%	15% - 18%	1 – 2	USD30m+
0% - 15%	16% - 25%	1-2	USD15m+
Blended Return	15% - 18%	6 - 8	



## **SOLUTION**

### Risk Reality Mismatch

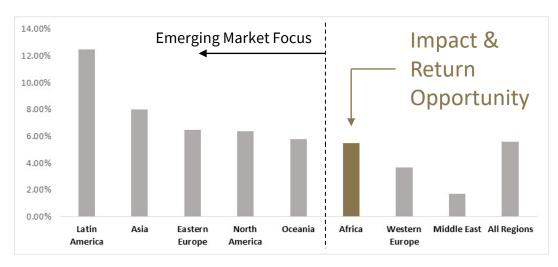
- Infrastructure in Sub-Saharan Africa provides premium returns at reduced risk in comparison to emerging peers
- Low default rate the result of risk-mitigating measures employed by the projects, including: power purchase agreements with fixed dollar denominated tariffs, World Bank Insurance, long term O&M contracts, DFI's as co-funders

## Renewables IRR (US\$)

	Operating	Greenfield	
Europe	4% - 7%	7% - 9%	
North America	6% - 8%	8% - 10%	
Asia	8% - 10%	+12%	
Latin America	+10%	+12%	
Africa	+12%	+16%	
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- Diversification benefits
- Risk return premium to emerging market peers
- US\$ Inflation linked return
- Dividend returns

## **Project Finance Default Rates 1990 - 2016**



Source: Moodys Investor Service



## PIPELINE AVAILABILITY

## Fund strategy applicable across geographies and requires 6 – 8 transactions

- 12 Priority countries identified (Botswana, Tanzania, Kenya, Ethiopia, Uganda, Rwanda, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Nigeria, Ghana, Burkina Faso, Senegal).
- Proprietary database of projects requiring exits which are operational or under construction between 2018 – 2021.

### 2018 – 2021: Projects Operating & Under Construction

### **12 Priority Countries**

- 2,2GW Capacity
- 68 Projects
- 135 Equity Investors

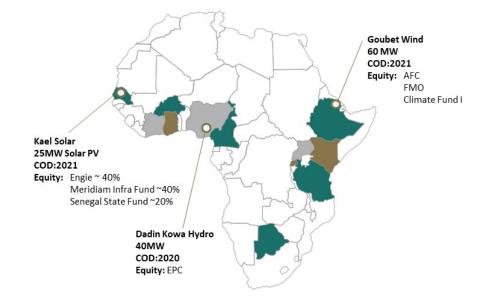
### Sub-Saharan Africa

- 4,4 GW Capacity
- 116 Projects
- 212 Equity Investors



### **Transaction Counterparties**

- o Independent Power Producers (IPP)
- Project Developers
- o PE Funds
- o DFIs
- Equipment Manufacturers & EPC Contractors



Technology	Priority Countries	SSA
Hydro	33	41
Wind	3	3
Solar	25	60
Geothermal	1	1
Biomass	1	1
Other*	5	10

<sup>\*</sup>Certain projects may use a combination of technologies i.e. solar and biomass.



## ABOUT GAIA FUND MANAGERS

## Innovative team able to raise and deploy funding effectively

- Established 2012
- Focus on sustainable renewable energy and infrastructure investments across sub-Saharan Africa
- Gaia pioneered the secondary (brownfield) infrastructure investment landscape in South Africa:
  - Concluded 1<sup>st</sup> secondary (brownfield) transaction
  - Listed 1<sup>st</sup> renewable energy holding company (Yield Co)
  - Listed 1st collective investment scheme (UCITS) holding structure
- Team









Experience





Sector Experience

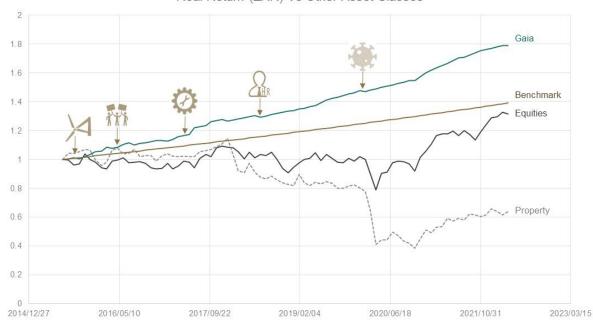
Track Record

- Ability to manage setbacks and guide project management to resolve issues:
  - Turbine collapse
  - Turbine fires
  - o Industrial action & riots
  - Local community disputes
  - Gearbox failures
  - o Management Re-Organisation
  - Insurance disputes
  - Warranty claims

## US\$250 Mn invested over 12 transactions since 2015



### Real Return (ZAR) Vs Other Asset Classes

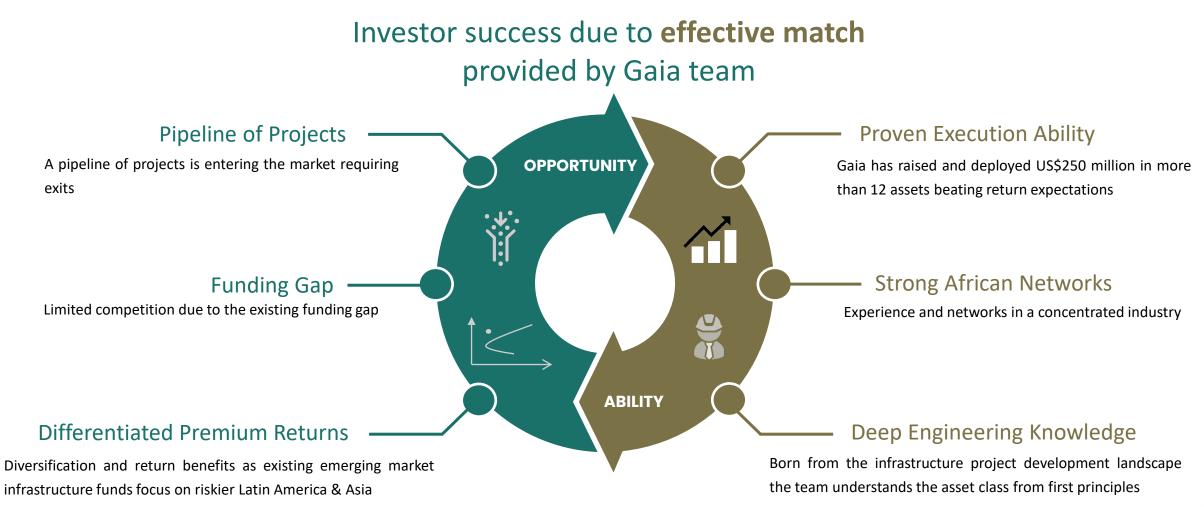




## **POSITIONING**

## Ability, track record and exposure as competitive strengths

The fund addresses both (1) a structural sector need in filling a project financing funding gap and (2) provides investors access to African infrastructure as an asset class.





### REGIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Local HQ & Strong Networks

Ai africainvestor Investment Initiative of the Year 2016

### **Extensive Regional Transaction Experience**

Executive team members have transacted in more than

18 Sub-Saharan African countries.

- Kenya
- Nigeria
- Sierra Leone
- Tanzania
- Uganda
- Zimbabwe
- Botswana Zambia
- Benin

- Rwanda
- Seychelles
- Malawi
- Namibia
- Mozambique
- Ghana

  - DRC
  - Senegal
  - South Africa

### **Notable Infrastructure Transactions**

- Mozambique Cahora Bassa Dam Ownership Restructuring - US\$950m
- Zambia Kariba Hydro Extension US\$420m
- Ghana TOPL Gas IPP US\$130m
- Zambia Small Hydro Portfolio Development US\$10m
- Zambia Itezhi-Tezhi Hydro IPP US\$270m
- South Africa 12 Renewable energy IPP investments & 1 Toll road concession - US\$250m

### **Diverse & Complimentary Team**

- Deep engineering knowledge
- Diverse project & investor exposure
- Proven execution ability
- Proven governance structures

### **Independents & Experts**



A-L. Olivier IC Member





K. Ramachandran **Fund Director** 



B. Gyepi-Garbrah IC Member





K. Muller IC Member





ICFA Coach



C. Ferreira



### **Directors / Management**



M. Nieuwoudt Chairman







T. Lister CR&I



R. de Wit Managing Director





J.M. Hoensi **EU Relations Manager** 





I. Knoetze Legal & Compliance

Y. du Plessis

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K. Schabort Analyst & ESG



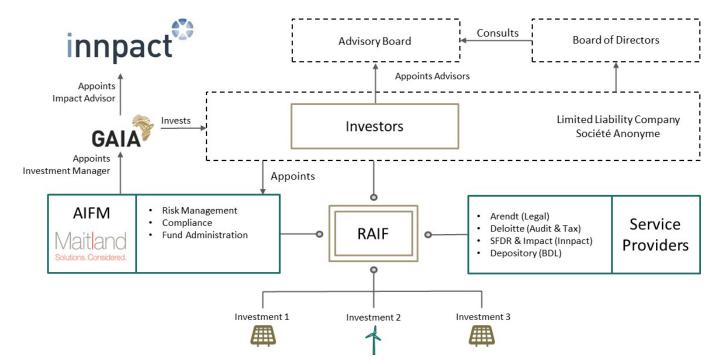




## **STRUCTURE & GOVERNANCE**

## Regulated and Well-supported





### **Fund Board**



K. Ramachandran Maitland (AIFM)



TBC Independent



R. de Wit Gaia



**IC Members** 







B. Gyepi-Garbrah Independent



M. Nieuwoudt Gaia 



C. Ferreira









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## THE GLOBAL CLIMATE INITIATIVE NEEDS CAPITAL RECYCLING

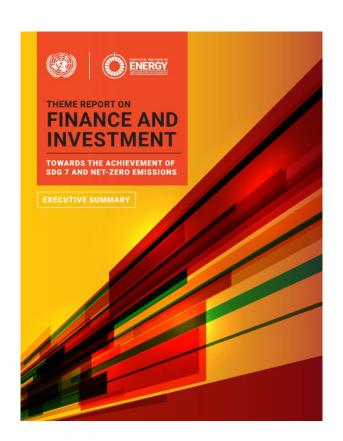
Ensure Optimal Financing Ecosystem







### **RECOMMENDATION 5**



"Governments, DFIs, the private sector, and donors should work together to develop a coordinated framework to address market barriers, support the capacity-building of local financiers, and ensure an optimal finance and investment ecosystem...

Financing options include bonds, shares, special purpose vehicles (SPVs), and the **secondary market**."



## **KEY FUND TERMS & TIMELINES**

## Summary of key fund terms

Structure	Reserved Alternative Investment Fund (Luxembourg)	Activity		Timeline
Sector	Utility Scale Climate Infrastructure (Renewable energy, water & sewage)	7,		
Investment Stage	Equity. Primary Focus: Operating Assets			
Target Return	15%			
Target Size	USD 200 Million	Fund Launch		End-2021
First Close	USD 50 Million	Lauricii		
Currency	USD			
Term	10 Years	Information Memo and DD		May 2022
Commitment Period	3 Years from First Close	Room Access	Ţ	•
Exit	Listing or Sale to Pension Fund, Yield Co, PE Fund			
Advisory Fee	1% on first close and 1,5% on invested funds pa	Conclude		July 2022
Hurdle rate	8%	Subscription		July 2022
Performance Fee	15% above hurdle	Agreement		
Governance	<ul> <li>Management by AIFM.</li> <li>Independent legal management of LLC.</li> <li>Independent Investment committee members.</li> <li>Anchor investor and other large investors to have members on Advisory board.</li> </ul>	Establish Fund		Just before First Close
Exclusions	Fees exclude external advisor costs	Target First		September
Fund Manager & Administrator	Maitland Lux	Close		2022



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