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Vanuatu, a Small Island Developing State (SIDS) consisting of more than 80 remote islands, is highly vulnerable to climate change. The country's population of about 235,000 is dispersed across 65 of its islands, many of them far from the urban centers of Port Vila and Luganville. Approximately 73% of Vanuatu's population does not have access to electricity, with the majority living in rural areas. While Vanuatu's economic performance has improved in recent years, its remoteness, small market size and limited institutional capacity remain key barriers to green growth.

In collaboration with the World Bank, GGGI provided technical assistance to the Department of Energy for the revision of the National Energy Road Map (NERM) which identified five strategic areas for policy intervention in the energy sector: accessible energy, affordable energy, secure and reliable energy, sustainable energy, and green growth. In addition, a financing gap of at least \$20 million was identified to achieve national energy access targets.

Improving access to renewable energy will have a significant impact on poverty reduction and social inclusion, given its contribution to green growth in other sectors, including tourism, agriculture, and water. Ensuring the availability of financing, as well as developing the capacity of the government to deploy resources for the implementation of renewable energy and energy-efficiency projects, will be a critical area for continued GGGI support.

Suva, Fiji, October 4, 2024 - As UN Secretary-General Ant?nio Guterres emphasized at the Pacific Islands Forum in Tonga last month, "If we save the Pacific, we save the world." Supporting our Pacific Region in the fight against climate change, the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), as an implementing partner of the Regional Pacific Nationally […]

Port Vila, Vanuatu, August 23, 2024 - Vanuatu is committed to reaching its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) targets by developing an On-Grid Electricity NDC Investment Strategy. In collaboration with the Government of Vanuatu, the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), as an implementing partner of the Regional Pacific NDC Hub, hosted a validation workshop to present […]

Port Vila, Vanuatu – July 23, 2024 - Vanuatu has made ambitious Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and has improved its economic performance in recent years. However, its remoteness, small market size, and limited institutional capacity continue to pose significant barriers to finance and green growth. In collaboration with the Government of Vanuatu, the Global Green […]

Port Vila, Vanuatu, June 14, 2024 - Vanuatu continues its" unwavering commitment to meet its" Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) targets through the development of the country"s NDC Investment Strategy in the energy sub-sector. Supporting Vanuatu"s commitment to achieve its NDC goals, the Global Green

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Growth Institute (GGGI), in collaboration with the Regional Pacific NDC Hub […]

Port Vila, Vanuatu, June 13, 2024 - In support of Vanuatu's Forestry Sector Investment Strategy, the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) and the Regional Pacific NDC Hub, in collaboration with government organizations, private sector entities, and NGO stakeholders active in the productive sector convened this week at the Grand Hotel to deliberate and recommend project priorities […]

Nadi, Fiji, March 1st, 2024 - In an initiative to drive green growth and combat climate change impacts, the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) hosted the Pacific Climate Investors Pitch session through the Climate Finance Access Network (CFAN). The hybrid event, held in early March, witnessed over 40 participants, including esteemed partners such as DFAT, […]

Tanna Island, Vanuatu, February 6th, 2024 - Residents of Isangel and Blackman town on Tanna, Vanuatu were overjoyed with excitement as His Excellency Johnny Koanapo, the Minister of Internal Affairs commissioned the island"s first solar-powered water supply system as part of the "Scaling up Climate resilience through Solar Power-Driven Access to Water," program. Through funding […]

Taloa, Vanuatu - January 30, 2024 - Water scarcity is a major issue for most of Vanuatu's 327,000 inhabitants. A handover ceremony marked a turning point for over 700 Taloa community members as the Taloa Solar Water Pump Project was officially handed over to the community by the Global Green Growth Institute(GGGI). This transformative initiative, […]

18th January 2024, Port Vila, Vanuatu; In Early January, 2024, twenty-seven professionals embarked on a mission to ensure access to clean drinking water for communities in Vanuatu as part of the "Scaling up Climate Resilience through Solar Power-Driven Access to Water," program, funded by the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and implemented by the Global Green […]

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