# SUNGARI



## **LEAP-RE**

Long-Term Joint EU-AU Research and Innovation Partnership on Renewable Energy



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#### Consortium

#### Project coordinator:

- Parmar, Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich, **UK** 

#### Project partners:

- University of Kassel, and Simply Solar Technology Consulting GbR (**Germany**),
- University of Pretoria, and University of Limpopo (**South Africa**),
- University of Lome (Togo),
- University of Greenwich (UK)

#### Aim of the project

The SunGari project aims to **develop Modern Energy Cooking Service (MECS) based on solar cooking** (PV and CSP) for **Gari processing** in West Africa.

The technological approach will be **highly scalable** and transferable to other countries in the region to process different staple food based on maize, yam, plantain, and sweet potato.

#### **Relevance vs MARs**

MAR 5: Pocesses and appliances for productive uses (agriculture and industry). **Rural industries'** productivity and socio-economic development of communities that live in off or poor grid connectivity.

**MAR 6**: Innovative solutions for priority domestic uses. The project will provide safe and efficient cooking services at the domestic and SME level.



#### Key challenges addressed by the project

- 1. More than **700 million people in Africa** do not have access to modern energy cooking services.
- 2. Almost all the Gari produced in West Africa relies on firewood or fossil fuels at the household and small enterprise level.
- 3. The project will help reduce the drudgery for girls and women and improve their opportunities, socialeconomic power, and health outcome.
- 4. Reduction in GHGs, deforestation and land degradation.
- 5. Affordable and Clean Energy for all.

#### Expected results :

- Mid-term expected results (end 2023)
  - Three (3) test units (Solar-powered gari roasting set up constructed and installed at demo sites in Togo.
  - Local gari processors and the cassava processing equipment manufacturer capacity building workshop completed.
  - SunGari startup established at the business incubation center at the University of Lome, Togo
  - End of project expected results (2025)
    - Individual and public health improved. Improved health and wellbeing (respiratory illness)
    - New employment creation and increased productivity of rural industries
    - Local capacity building (in Africa) and awareness of clean energy.



# **Expected outcomes in case of success of the project (2030)**

What could be the impact of the project at 2030 on the economy and/or society in case of scaling up the results of the project ?

- 1. Increased productivity in the informal sector.
- 2. Food preservation and reduced postharvest losses.
- 3. GHG emission, local pollution, and deforestation reduced.
- 4. Drudgery of girls and women reduced.
- 5. Individual and public health improved.
- 6. Employment creation. Income generation

### Which main risks of failure during project implementation ?

Describe the main risks identified for project implementation

- 1. Resource Risk: Financial (reduced budget, increase in material costs etc).
- 2. Resource Risk: Human resource risk, for example, one of the partners not cooperating or leaving the consortium.
- 3. Managerial risk: Lack of communication, émergence of conficts among the design and development team and other stakeholders.



#### Contribution of the project to AU – EU R&D cooperation

- Introducing an efficient, scalable, and transferrable solar device for Gari making and <u>supporting the transition of African economies to</u> <u>be low carbon and climate resilient</u>. Leapfrogging the use of fossil fuel in the industry concerned.
- Renewable energy systems to support economic <u>growth</u> and development in Africa.
- The collaboration between African and European scientific communities.
- South- South cooperation, via technical contribution and exchange of expertise among African partners (South Africa and Togo).
- SDG (Sustainable Development Goal) 7.a enhances international cooperation to facilitate clean energy research and technology access, including renewable energy.

# Interest of Consortium members in participating in LEAP-RE clustering activities

- → MAR 5: which relates to processes and appliances for productive uses (agriculture and industry).
- → Rural industries' productivity and help improve the socioeconomic development of communities that live in off or poor grid connectivity (as SunGari devices will have a total off-grid operation).
- → MAR 6: which is related to Innovative solutions for priority domestic uses.
- → Safe and efficient solar cooking at the domestic and small, and medium enterprise (SME) level for Gari roasting.



### **Intervention points**







### **Gari Processing in Togo**





### **Work Packages**



Work package Nr.	Work package title	WP Leader
WP1	<b>Optimisation of the process requirements</b> and analysis of key technical performance parameters (including Gari quality) of <u>SunGari</u> devices.	<u>UniKassel</u>
WP2	Solar and PV Thermal: Technical analysis of CSP, and PV-steam (PV thermal) for heat generation for Gari roasting.	SST
WP3	<b>PV Electric</b> : Technical analysis of PV electric for direct heating of Gari processing vessel, and electric motor for cassava size reduction, and stirring device.	UP, <u>ŲL</u> Į
WP4	<b>Design and construction</b> of test units for domestic and small and medium enterprise (SME) level.	SST
WP5	Demonstration and piloting at the demo sites and capacity building of local manufacturers/fabricators.	<u>ULo</u>
WP6	Project coordination and dissemination strategy (including socio-economic and cultural factors, and marketingstrategy).	NRI

