



# COSTS, FINANCING & THE ROLE OF DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

Parallel Session & Report Out



# Session Objectives

- Share learning on costs, financing, and the role of development partners to support Ghana's universal energy access agenda
- Brainstorm recommendations as a group, addressing key challenges related to costs, financing, and the role of development partners

*Your charge:*

*Listen, learn and provide your insights and expertise.*

*We will report back your recommendations to the large group.*

# Agenda

- Session overview
- Additional remarks
  - *Samuel Booth, NREL*
- Panel discussion
  - *Ing. Sulemana Abubakari, Ministry of Energy*
  - *Mark Newton, USAID*
  - *Samuel Booth, NREL*
  - *Kingsley Adofo-Addo, Ecobank*
  - *Sunita Dubey, World Bank (facilitator)*
- Table conversations
- Report out/group discussion

# Discussion Questions

- How can Ghana achieve the goal of affordability (i.e. uniform tariff) while managing the costs of achieving universal access under the public-led model?
- What financial and business models can help reduce operational risks?
  - *In severely financially stressed power systems, are there options that avoid exposing mini grid operators – whether public, private or PPP – to unmanageable operational risks?*
- What are the right mechanism or approaches to mini grid subsidies for Ghana? What are the benefits and risks of these approaches?
  - *What is the role for public subsidies to drive increases in commercial anchor loads for mini grids?*

What are 3 key challenges/issues related to costs, financing, and the role of development partners in Ghana?

# Possible recommendations to address challenges/issues

- Challenge 1: Recommendations
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- Challenge 2: Recommendations
- Challenge 3: Recommendations