



# Role of Multilaterals and DFIs in Bridging Africa's Energy Investment Gap

Africa stands at a defining crossroads in its energy transition. On one side lies a growing population, rising urbanisation, and an insatiable demand for reliable power. On the other hand, a persistent energy deficit, where over 600 million people remain without access to electricity. Bridging this infrastructure gap will be about unlocking inclusive, sustainable economic growth. But with constrained public budgets and risk-averse private capital, who will finance Africa's energy future? Increasingly, the answer largely lies in the strategic involvement of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) and Development Finance Institutions (DFIs).