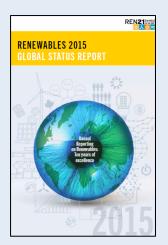
## Regional cooperation on renewable energy

#### CAPACITY BUILDING ON REGIONAL DATA COLLECTION STRATEGY









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## Our starting point

No good decision without good data!

We need renewable energy & energy efficiency data...

To advance the energy transition,
to advance energy access,
to attract investors' and policy makers' interest,
to inform policy & regulatory framework
and to monitor advancements.

... and telling the story!



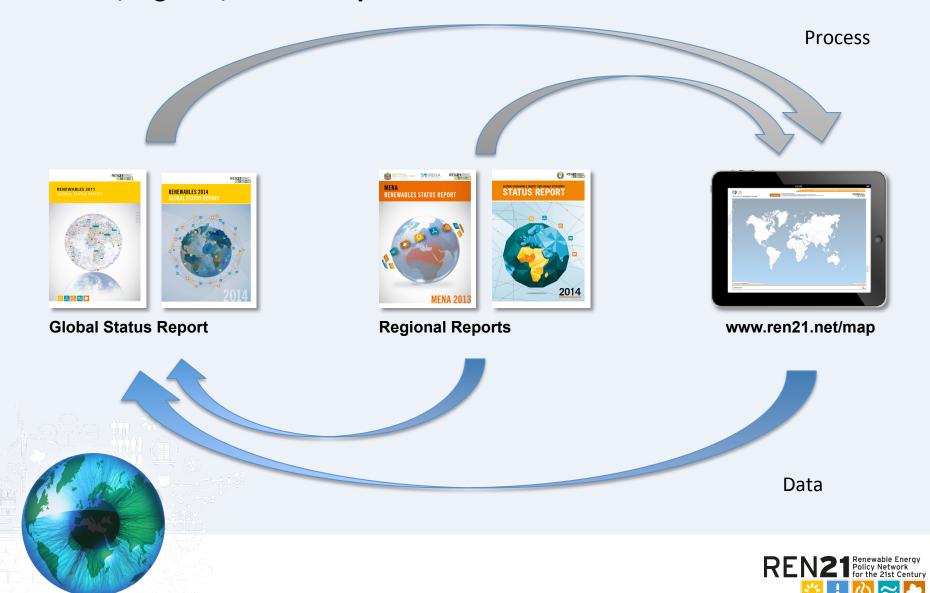


## **Different Types of Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Data**

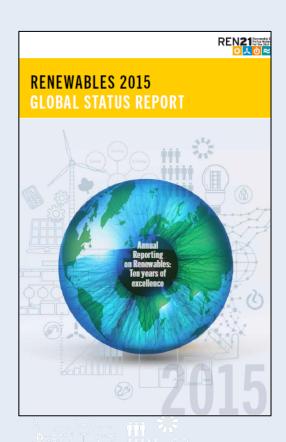
- Market & industry data/information
- Economic/Investment data
- Information on political & regulatory framework
- Energy statistics
- Renewable energy potential
- Household surveys
- Impact analysis
- ..
- → Qualitative and quantitative data
- → Formal (official) and informal data



## Global, regional, and country data



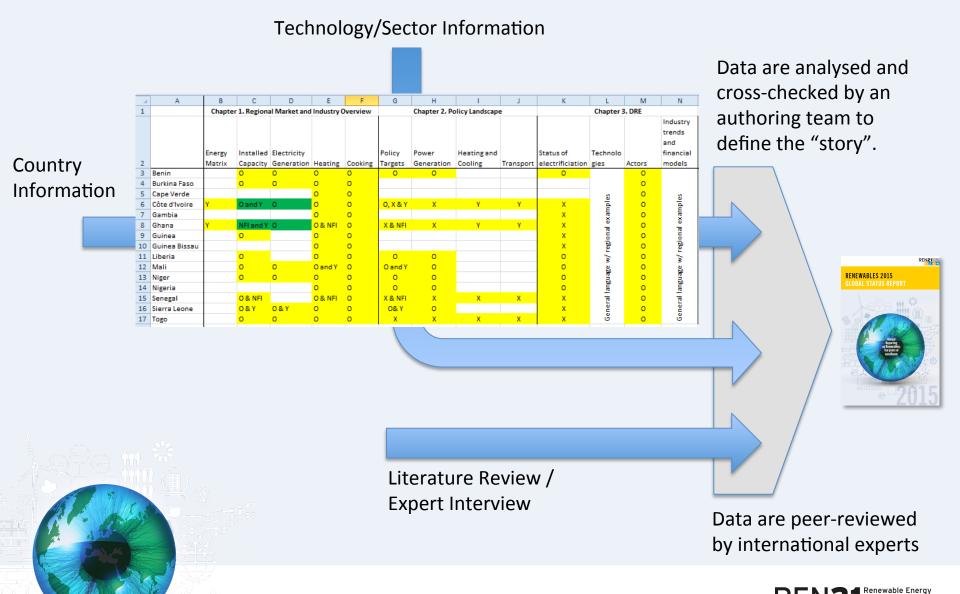
## **REN21** Renewables 2015 Global Status Report



- 10 years of GSR
- Approx. 2000 experts part of the broad contributors & reviewers community
- Around 500 active contributors & reviewers
  - Authors
  - Country contributors
  - Technology and topical contributors
  - Reviewers



## The GSR collaborative production process



## Formal vs. Informal Data

"Coming back to the questionnaire, I believe NGOs cannot serve as serious information / data source, perhaps they can just serve to provide their own opinion about possible barriers and whatsoever obstacles for promotion of RES in a certain country. UNECE should base its annual status report on official sources in order to make it credible, while NGOs cannot be regarded as such sources"

"There is a need to include informal data sources, but there needs to be a formal validation" (ECREEE)

## Tension between stakeholder groups → A real need to build trust between the stakeholders and trust in informal data



Also crucial at the regional level



#### **Establish Trust in Informal Data**



- Transparency (necessity of referencing)
- Methodology
- "Trust" in the data provider
- "Trust" in the data aggregator
- Trustful collaboration between the formal and informal players
- Validation process



### **Capacity building examples**

- Webinars (regional, thematic)
- Latin America & Caribbean Contributors Network
- University of Oldenburg, Germany
  - Post-graduate programme on renewable energy Lecture on RE data (40 students)
  - 50% of the participating as country contributor
- ECREEE new ECOWREX staff member

**General processes** GSR process and community management

ECOWAS process – community management

Renewables Interactive Map

GSR/EAC tools (Insightly, questionnaire, country tracking sheet,...)

Strategy for ECREEE – Next steps

Specific topics

Mobilisation strategies: Dealing with data providers who don't provide data

Bioenergy

Distributed renewable energy for energy access

Energy efficiency Heating & cooling

IT based databases - Interlinkage ECOWREX & Renewables Interactive Map





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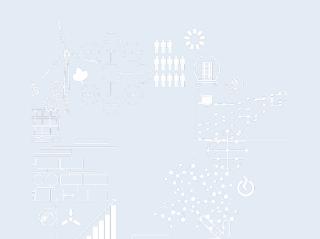
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