



The Energy Council of South Africa is dedicated to fostering collaboration, innovation, and action in the energy sector. Through delivery partnerships, advocacy, and thought leadership, the Council is committed to advancing South Africa's energy transition and ensuring a secure, sustainable energy future for all.



This edition, we turn our attention to a central question in South Africa's just energy transition:

How do we finance our energy future?

Investment decisions will determine the pace and direction of reform, and whether we can expand access, build resilience, and grow the economy. I'm joined by Rekha Sinath, Investment Executive at Remgro Ltd and Board Member at the Energy Council, to share insights on the intersection between energy and finance.



Investor confidence is an important transition catalyst. We have seen enough green shoots in our economic reforms to know that progress is possible when policy is clear, consistent, and backed by investment. The energy industry's maturity is reflected in the growing number of trading licences being issued, as the sector shifts towards a competitive wholesale trading environment.

Ambition has driven the intensity for reform, but we have reached a point where momentum is slowing, shaped in part by shifting energy positions and policy uncertainty. The truth is, we cannot afford to retreat on the commitments we have made. Policy is in place. The task ahead is to restore confidence, align implementation, and ensure that capital is directed toward projects that advance the transition.

Let's hear more from Rekha on how investors are approaching South Africa's transition, and what it will take to sustain confidence in the market.

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Nedbank and Indalo launch Energy Resilience Fund to support SME's and non-profits in achieving energy security

Nedbank has launched the R10 million Nedbank Indalo Energy Resilience Fund offering interest-free finance to qualifying organisations for installing solar systems, portable inverters, and other clean energy infrastructure, aimed at reducing reliance on diesel and grid electricity while keeping operations running during outages

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Remgro and RMB's EXSA and Seriti Green deal opens way for 155 MW Mpumalanga wind project

Remgro and RMB's Energy Exchange of Southern Africa (EXSA) have partnered with Seriti Green on a R5-billion, 155 MW wind project in Mpumalanga. The project is part of Seriti Green's larger 900 MW Umbila Emoyeni hybrid energy complex, which will be rolled out in phases across 27 000 hectares in the province.

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Ramokgopa Outlines Ambitious Plan to Restructure South Africa's Energy Landscape

Electricity and Energy Minister Dr Kgosientsho Ramokgopa has set out plans to reshape South Africa's energy sector, calling for a balanced path to decarbonisation that protects economic stability and community welfare. He underscored the urgency of shifting the national energy mix, which still depends on fossil fuels for roughly 78% of supply.

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- 15 - 19 Sept:** Africa Oil Week
- 17 - 18 Sept:** DEVAC-Hydrogen Indaba (*Discount available to members upon request*)
- 24 Sept:** Heritage Day
- 29 Sept - 3 Oct:** African Energy Week



Energy Council hosts Deputy Minister of Electricity and Energy, Samantha Graham Mare

Building on our ethos of collaboration through partnership, the Energy Council strengthened its relationship with the Department of Electricity and Energy by hosting the DM and her delegation to our Johannesburg office.

The visit was an opportunity to showcase our key initiatives and engage in a collaborative workshop on advancing South Africa's energy transition. Discussions focused on strengthening public-private collaboration, aligning efforts with national priorities and exploring practical solutions to accelerate progress.

We value the open dialogue and partnership with the Department, and look forward to building on the momentum from our continued engagement.



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