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## **Building Energy to participate** in the Africa Energy Forum 2018

The Italian Company, specialised in the renewable energy sector, will sponsor the  $20^{th}$  anniversary of the event.

*Milan, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018* - **Building Energy**, a multinational company operating as a globaly integrated Independent Power Producer (IPP) in the Renewable Energy Industry, will take part as a sponsor in the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Africa Energy Forum (AEF). This is the global investment meeting for Africa's power, energy, infrastructure and industrial sectors, taking place in Mauritius from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018.

Building Energy operates globally, but has a particularly strong presence in Africa: 6 years since its entrance in South Africa, the company has been awarded more than **300 MW of capacity** in public tenders across 4 different technologies. From its offices in Cape Town, Building Energy manages and coordinates the development of more than **40 projects in Africa and the Middle East**, across the technologies of solar, wind and small-scale hydroelectric energy, including inter alia projects in South Africa, Uganda, Mali, Malawi, Cameroon, Tunisia, Botswana, Zambia and Cote D'Ivoire. One of Building Energy's projects in Africa is a 10 MWp photovoltaic plant in Tororo, Eastern **Uganda**, which started generating energy in October 2017. With a capacity of 10 MWp (16 GWh per year), the **Tororo** Solar Plant is among the largest in Eastern Africa and is catering to the energy needs of more than 35,838 people.

In April 2018 Building Energy signed a Power Purchase Agreement with the **South African state** for the construction, ownership and operation of a 147 MW wind plant in **Roggeveld**, in the Laingsburg area between the Northern and Western Cape Provinces, which will generate approximately 613 GWh per year. The agreement also includes a 4.7 MW small-hydro project in **Kruisvallei**, in the Free State Province. Building Energy will also finalize development and implement a 5 MW wind project in **Klawer**, in the Western Cape, which will generate approximately 19 GWh per year and two 5 photovoltaic projects in **Skuitdrift**, in the Northern Cape, which combined will produce approximately 22 GWh per year once fully operational. Previously, Building Energy had already been awarded an 81 MWp solar farm in **Kathu**, in the first Round of the REIPPP Programme, which has been operating since August 2014 and is one of the largest solar PV plants on the continent.

"We are pleased to sponsor the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the annual Africa Energy Forum and to celebrate with the organization the achievements of Africa's energy community over the last 2 decades. – said Matteo Brambilla, **Managing Director Africa and Middle East** – Being at the AEF is an opportunity for us to get in touch with financial institutions and government representatives, power developers and professionals who already work in the African area".

## **BUILDING ENERGY**

Building Energy is a multinational company operating as a globally Integrated IPP in the Renewable Energy Industry across four continents. The Company is vertically integrated across the value chain, from the development of projects to the sale of energy. With a pipeline of over 2,600 MW in 20 countries and more than 700MW of generative assets being built over the next two years, the Company is positioned to be one of the major players on the international scene in the renewable energy field. For further information, visit the website www.buildingenergy.it.

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