ADVANCING MODERN POWER THROUGH UTILITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Advancing Modern Power Through Utility Partnership (AmpUp) program is a continuation of the Energy Utility Partnership Program (EUPP), a cooperative initiative between the United States Energy Association (USEA) and the United States Agency for International Development under the Bureau for Development, Democracy, and Innovation (DDI). AmpUp fortifies EUPP’s focus on strengthening the capacity of utilities and other energy sector organizations in USAID-assisted countries. The aim is to effectively manage and operate power systems, run financially viable businesses, and integrate modern energy resources into the grid. AmpUp promotes energy security and renewable energy integration for a clean energy future.

BUILDING ON EUPP’S LEGACY OF SUCCESS

EUPP has been working with USAID partner countries on energy security, operations, and resiliency for over 32 years. The program supported capacity development needs in generation, transmission, and distribution, with a strong emphasis on regional energy cooperation and energy markets. EUPP’s partnership impact built a legacy for AmpUp’s future.
AMPUP’S PROGRAM APPROACH

AmpUp will continue EUPP’s approach centered around peer-to-peer relationships and strong practitioner and stakeholder networks to support net-zero goals and build capacity of local utilities, government, and private sector. Like EUPP, AmpUp uses the vast experiences and knowledge of a team with decades of experience in energy sector from around the world.

AmpUp is designed as a consortium of five organizations – the United States Energy Association (USEA), Arizona State University (ASU), MK Advisors (MKA), NRECA International, and SEGURA Consulting. It shares global performance improvement methods and practices, supplying utilities with the practitioner-to-practitioner partnership model provided under EUPP. AmpUp will expand EUPP’s offerings to a diverse menu of capacity building and technical assistance through executive exchanges, network strengthening, analysis of laws and policies, workforce development, trainings, meetings, and conferences.

AMPUP’S FOCUS AREAS

ENERGY SECURITY
- Energy management
- Regional energy cooperation
- Energy markets
- System maintenance and operations
- Loss reduction
- Load forecasting and dispatch

ECONOMIC GROWTH
- Strengthening policy and regulatory framework
- Competitive procurement, planning, and design
- Change management
- Engaging the private sector

RENEWABLE ENERGY (RE)
- RE Integration
- Grid expansion and modernization
- System flexibility and reliability
- Integrated resource planning
- Smart meters
- Energy storage

GENDER EQUITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION
- Gender equality, inclusion and women’s empowerment
- Community and social engagement

FINANCE & TECHNOLOGY
- Power purchase agreements
- Utility finance and reforms
- Finance innovation design and financing

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