Pushing Energy Efficiency in Cambodia, Phnom Penh **ITC & Sevea** (in partnership with EnergyLab, EuroCham, Ifpeb and the Liger Leadership Academy)

Background

- \rightarrow 52% of energy consumed in Cambodia comes from the Building & **Construction sector**
- \rightarrow At a global level, around 30% of that energy is wasted
- \rightarrow Opportunity & need for energy efficiency in Cambodia, especially in buildings
- \rightarrow Target of 25% of energy savings in the building sector by 2035 (Draft of the NEEP, 2017)
- \rightarrow Most of the efforts so far have focused on industry





Outputs and key activities

1) Cambodia Energy Efficiency Competition: CEE Comp

 \Rightarrow Creation & Implementation of the 1st energy efficiency competition between commercial buildings in Cambodia

 \Rightarrow A 1-year competition between public & private buildings,

2) University Program

- ⇒Creation & Implementation of an Energy Efficiency competition amongst university students
- \Rightarrow Specific video competition as part of this university program to foster the inventiveness of students

3) Awareness Raising

 \Rightarrow Raise the awareness of the general public on Energy Efficiency and the importance to reduce our energy consumption

Objectives

The objective of the program is threefold:

- 1) The creation of a **self-sustaining, multi-year contest** that will use gamification and capacity building to improve the awareness and trust of the private sector on EE in Cambodia
- 2) The development of **awareness and capacity** on climate change mitigation and adaptation **amongst the youth**
- 3) A **policy advocacy work** to push for the development of EE in Cambodia

Specific targets:

- **20** private buildings participating
- **5** public buildings
- **7%** of energy savings
- **10** students from **3** teams
- **3** videos created by students





4) Policy Advocacy

 \Rightarrow Use all the data collected during building & student competitions to produce a policy advocacy report and inform policy making around energy efficiency in Cambodia

Implementation progress

- 1) CEE Comp
- Launched in September **23** registered buildings from 15 companies
- **2400+** people reached
- Opening Ceremony on December 2nd



Offices

65 %

- 2) University Program: the Youth Energy Games
- Successfully implemented between May and September 2021
- **90** students from **30** participating teams (60% female) _
- 8 videos created by students
- 3 winning teams have been given their rewards

3) Awareness Raising

1380 likes on Social Media



/Hybrid 22 %

- **1500** likes on social media

Key technologies and approaches introduced

Approaches of the project:

CEE Comp: How to support participants in their energy savings?

- **Onboarding process:** at least 2h call with the Project Leader + organization of 4 rounds of 3 Green Team sessions online
- Creation of **a Participant Kit**, the toolbox participants to the of support management of the competition
- Creation of a **Communication Kit** to support the participants in raising awareness
- Training Sessions Technical conducted by the ITC
- Project Team goes to the participants' internal Green Team meetings to review the action plans and help answer





Key challenges and lessons learnt

Key challenge: COVID & its impacts.

Why?

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- Most companies started fully or partly working from home = no employees left in the office, while CEE Comp is specifically meant for energy savings in Commercial buildings
- Companies have been economically impacted and the projects they stop in priority are those like CEE Comp
- All public buildings & universities have closed
- \Rightarrow Hard to recruit both public and private participants

What mitigation strategy?

- Postpone the competition to September 21 August 22
- Start with a group of 6 motivated companies: the Ambassadors. Will help test our support strategy with them, and have role-models that can ease the recruitment
- For public buildings: wait until they reopen, and create a 90 Day Challenge, rather than a 1-year competition
- For the university program: create a fully digital program

Initial timeline









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