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The initiator of Green People's Energy Program is former German Development Minister Müller.

His idea is to build up renewable energies in Africa in a decentralized way.

For him, it is not just a matter of installing as much capacity as possible.

What matters is **who** does it.

Who gets the direct benefit from it?

Who benefits from the income of the energy industry? It is about electricity in rural areas, in farms, in villages, and also in urban districts of small towns.

These are the kinds of projects you have now worked out.

Your projects use locally available raw materials with the help of renewable electricity to develop value chains.

This directly improves the social structure in villages and small towns.

This is quite different from, for example, the propaganda for the huge dam on the Blue Nile at the border between Ethiopia and Sudan, which, according to the promises of international companies, will supply these both countries with electricity.

With the Green People's Energy Program, we want to create prosumers, not only consumers!

Prosumers are people who generate electricity themselves and do business with it!

That is why I expressly support your project ideas.

You are building a sustainable Africa!