The Race to Net Zero in the ICT sector- Exploring African Priorities

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High emitting inefficient servers

Resource inefficient cloud servers using RE

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Resource efficient cloud servers using RE substituting inefficient computing

Digitalization with cloud supporting dematerialization of operations where cloud solutions are implemented

Optimization of the value chain serving a core need with AI cloud solutions and blockchain

Transformation of business towards 1.5C global sustainability though innovations such as cloud supported business based on service rather than product, Al-tools for 1.5C compatibility though strategic simulation.



Use of ICT for climate policy making

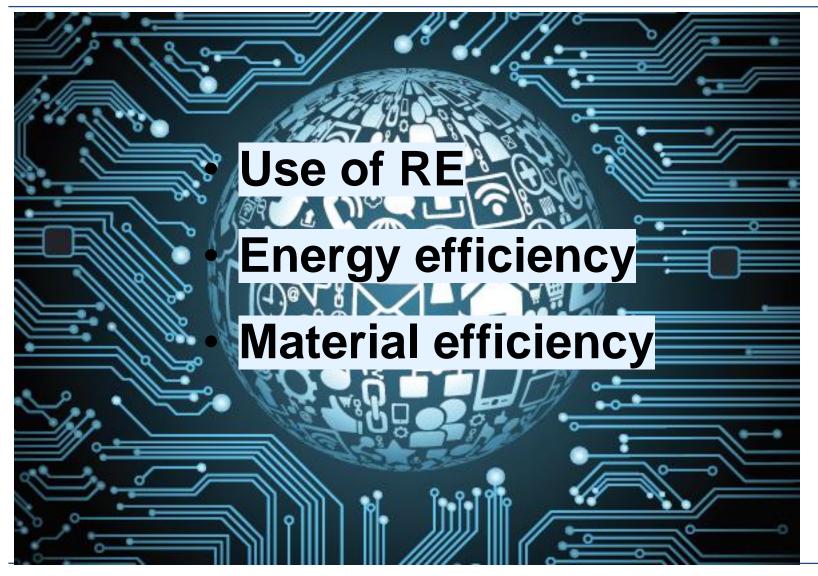
Data for Effective Policy Making







EQUIPMENT PRODUCTION: SECTOR-BASED PROBLEM-ORIENTED APPROACH TO CLIMATE ACTION





MATERIAL OPERATION: SECTOR-BASED SOLUTION-ORIENTED APPROACH TO CLIMATE ACTION

- Energy efficient equipment
- Longer lifetime
- Recyclable part





SUSTAINABLE USE

- Renewable energy
- Cloud service computing with Software as a Service, Infrastructure as a Service and Platform as a Service





Displacement of more carbon intensive value-chains

- telecommuting replacing commuting trips to work and office buildings
- Distance learning replacing trips to educational institutions and school buildings
- Online banking replacing trips to financial institutions and bank buildings
- Social media replacing trips to social events and their buildings
- Teleconferencing replacing trips to conference venues and the conference venues



Displacement of more carbon intensive value-chains

- Virtual entertainment replacing trips to event venues
- E-commerce replacing trips to stores and the physical stores
- Electronic documents replacing trips to deliver courier and mails
- Digital sensors, IoT and DLTs replacing professional and work trips (e.g. onsite verifications)



Digital-enabled emission reductions amount to 12.1 GtCO₂e in 2030, decoupling emissions from economic growth

