

### **Institutional Cooperation between the Mozambican Ministry of Energy and Minerals and the Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate**

#### **Overall Project Data**

Client: The Royal Norwegian Embassy in Maputo  
NVE Mandate: An institutional cooperation with the Mozambican Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy (**MIREME**) focussing on analytic capacity, legal framework and capacity building in the regulator.  
Contract Value/ Duration: MNOK 42

#### **Background:**

The Mozambican Minister of Energy visited Norway in June 2012, holding talks with several relevant Norwegian institutions, specifically NVE and Statnett. Following these talks the Ministry sent a request to the Norwegian Embassy in Maputo proposing possible areas of cooperation with the two Norwegian institutions. After an extensive Inception Phase, a programme document defining a cooperation in the areas analytic capacity, legal framework and capacity building in the regulator was produced. The Royal Norwegian Embassy agreed to finance the programme in November 2016, and programme activities started early 2017. During the Inception Phase, the Ministry of Energy was merged with the Ministry for Mineral Resources, forming a new Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy.

#### **Activities:**

The programme has a planned implementation spanning 4 years and covers the following cooperation areas:

- 1. Analytic capacity:** Covering needs for improving the data basis, data collection procedures and data analysis.
- 2. Legal and regulatory framework:** There is a need to modernize, clarify and detail the legal framework to facilitate private sector participation.
- 3. Developing capacity in the regulator:** A proposal for a regulator law is pending approval by the parliament. It will be important to develop the corresponding regulatory functionality and capacity when the law is passed.
- 4. General training.** A detailed Training Needs Assessment has been carried out and a component for addressing the issues uncovered designed.

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