



Direct air capture potential in East Africa

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Capturing CO₂ from the air and permanently storing it is a key climate technology for achieving global decarbonization goals



What is Direct Air Capture (DAC)?

- DAC plants use chemical processes to capture and filter CO₂ directly from the air which is then directly pipelined to on-site storage facilities
- CO₂ is injected into underground geological formations, where it undergoes mineralization & slowly transforms into stable carbonates that are permanently trapped



Why DAC and in Kenya?

- DAC technologies play a critical role in net zero pathways as counterbalance to hard to abate sectors
- Kenya offers geological conditions to site DAC projects
- World's largest DAC and storage firms i.e., Climeworks, Octavia, Sirona, Greenlyte, Carbfix, Cella and others have announced projects in Kenya

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Current # of DAC plants operating worldwide capturing CO₂ directly from the air

x100,000

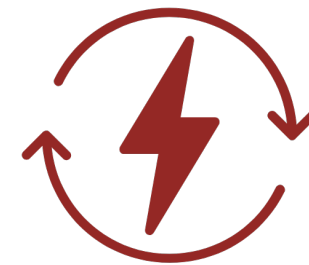
Growth in scale of DAC removal capacity by 2050 needed to meet global net zero goals

Kenya harbors significant potential as a major carbon removal hub for DAC and many other durable CDR projects



First-mover advantage

Kenya is a frontrunner in Africa's carbon markets, boasting a significant share of voluntary carbon credits issued to date across the continent



Abundant renewable energy

Kenya's growing renewable energy sector (geothermal, solar, wind) provides a solid foundation for durable CDR projects i.e., DAC requiring significant clean energy



Policy landscape & push

Kenyan government prioritizes carbon markets policy and recently amended the Climate Change Act (2023) to better regulate carbon projects and finance



GCV Overview

Kenya has the perfect endowments to situate DAC projects in the region

Our comparative advantage is built on rare combination of:

- Abundant geothermal, solar & wind energy
- Suitable geology for carbon mineralization
- Emerging ecosystem of green industries
- Climate-friendly gov't & policy landscape

GCV is catalyzing and developing new DAC and green industry projects in Kenya

We offer unique blend of:

- Turnkey siting solutions
- Low-cost, 100% renewable energy
- African carbon markets expertise
- Ability to mobilize key partners to make projects possible



Who We Are

We are a new climate venture that is harnessing Kenya's resource potential to power a green industrial future

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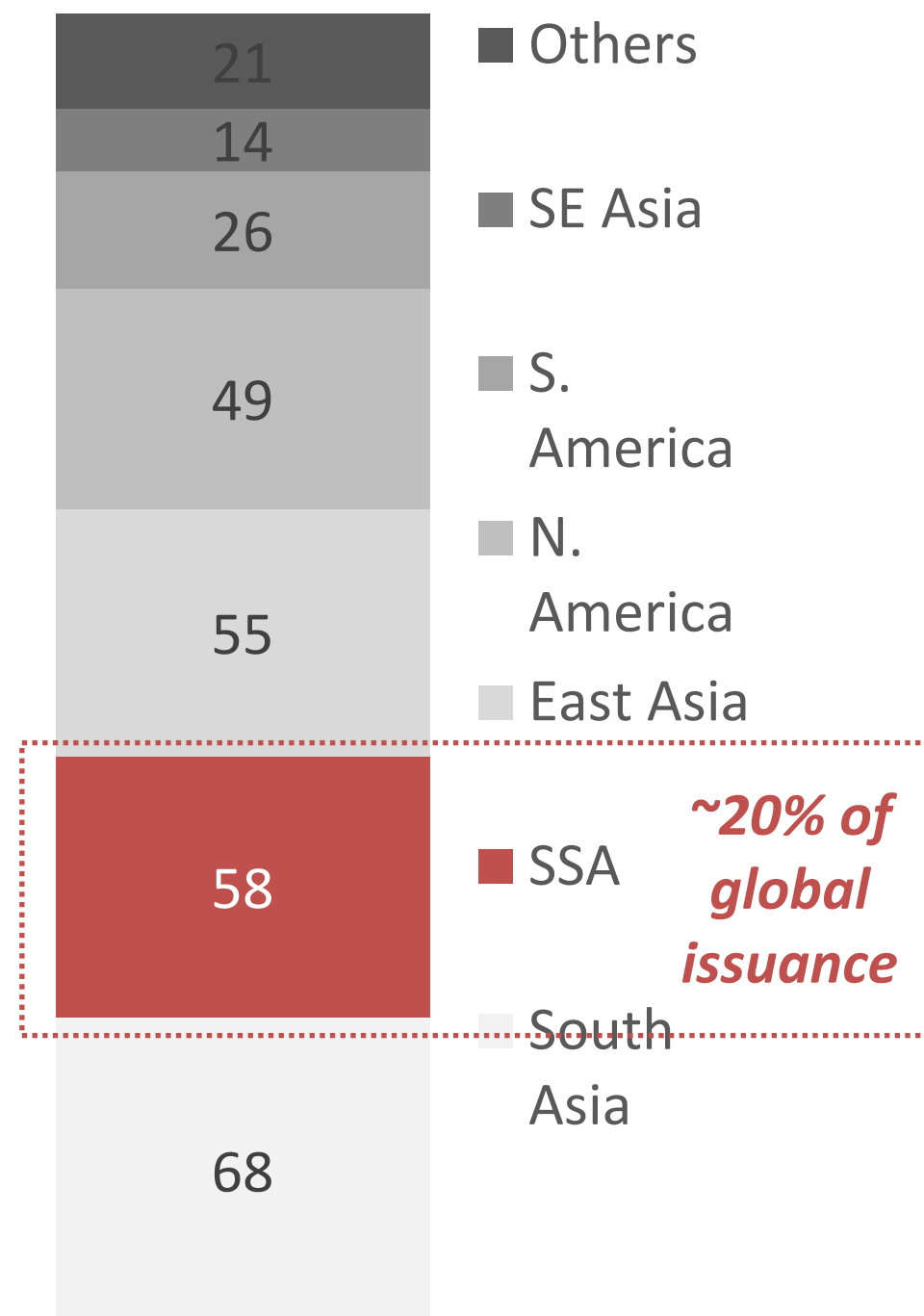
- Secured agreements with leading global DAC players i.e., Climeworks to develop large-scale DAC plants in Kenya
- Have access to 2 Special Economic Zone sites to develop DAC/green industry hubs
- Engaged leading global mineralization firms to prove viability of CO₂ storage in Kenya to unlock DAC
- Demonstrated interest from dozens of firms to develop project sites in Kenya

OUR OPERATING MODEL:





Kenya is at the forefront of carbon markets in Africa



VCM credits issued, MtCO₂e (2022)

Sub-Saharan Africa produces ~20% of global VCM credits with strong diversity

Kenya is 2nd largest participant in VCM market in the region

- Most credits produced by REDD+ and cookstove credits
- DAC & durable removals market is nascent but growing rapidly with new entrants and projects

Gov't of Kenya has finalized a carbon credit trading and benefit sharing bill to regulate the market

Key highlights include:

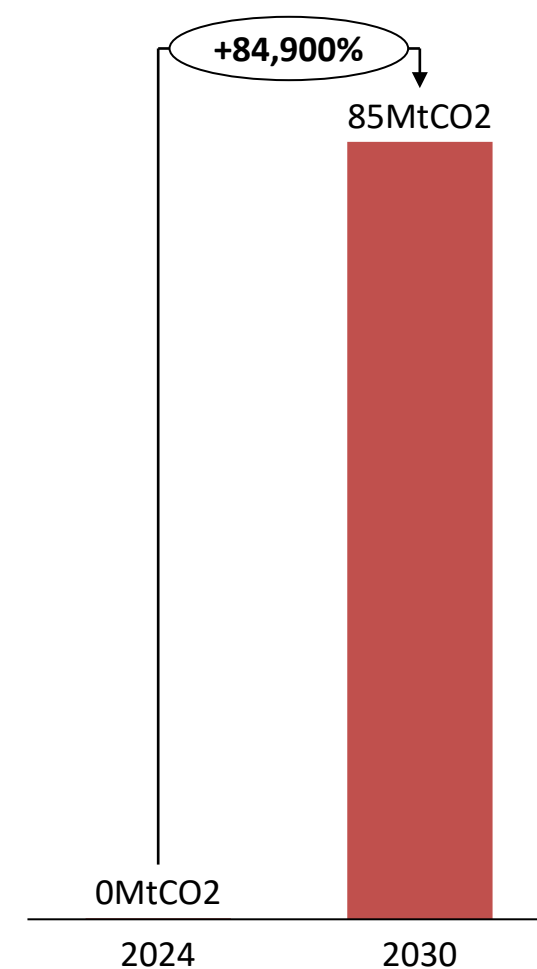
- Establishment of carbon registry
- Requirement of carbon trading permits to regulate businesses
- Introduction of carbon project fees of up to US\$4.20+/credit
- Social contributions of up to 40% of earnings to go to communities

Significant potential exists to catalyze and develop DAC industry in the region with investment co-benefits



DIRECT AIR CAPTURE

IEA, DAC tons removed per net zero emission scenario



120 GW new green power capacity required by 2030 to deliver DAC¹



DAC companies prioritizing geographies with high RE resources + storage potential – IE East Africa

Kenya and East Africa can become a key DAC innovation hub given significant carbon removal potential with co-benefits i.e., *job creation and economic growth, tech. development & innovation*

Key investment opportunities include:

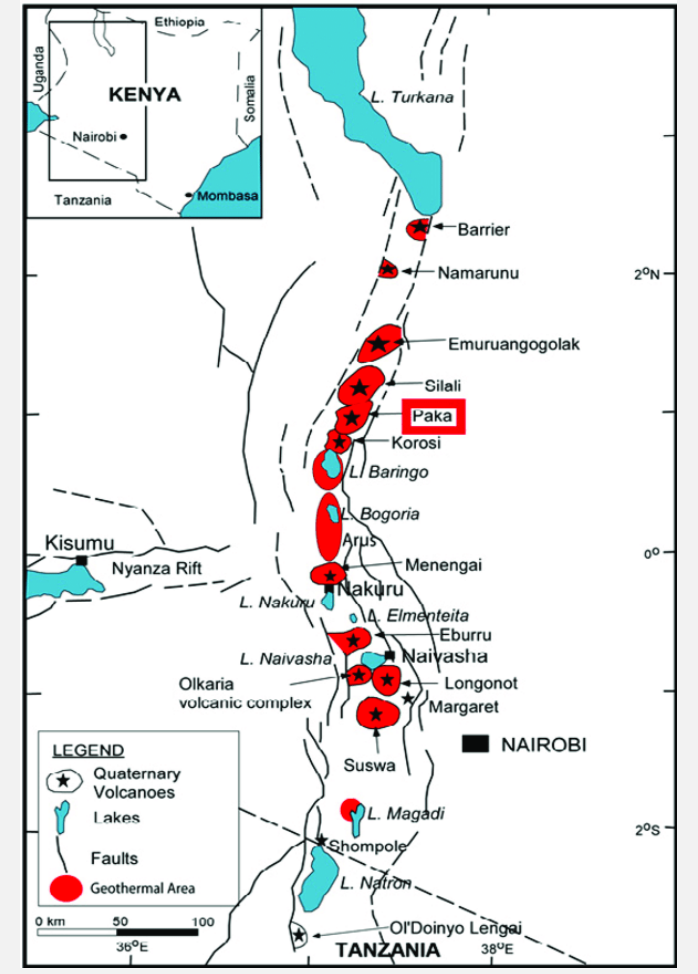
- Tech./R&D partnerships i.e., collaborate with DAC and storage tech providers to optimize solutions
- Infrastructure development i.e., invest in clean energy projects and key supporting infrastructure
- Carbon credit markets i.e., fund development of projects from feasibility to bankability



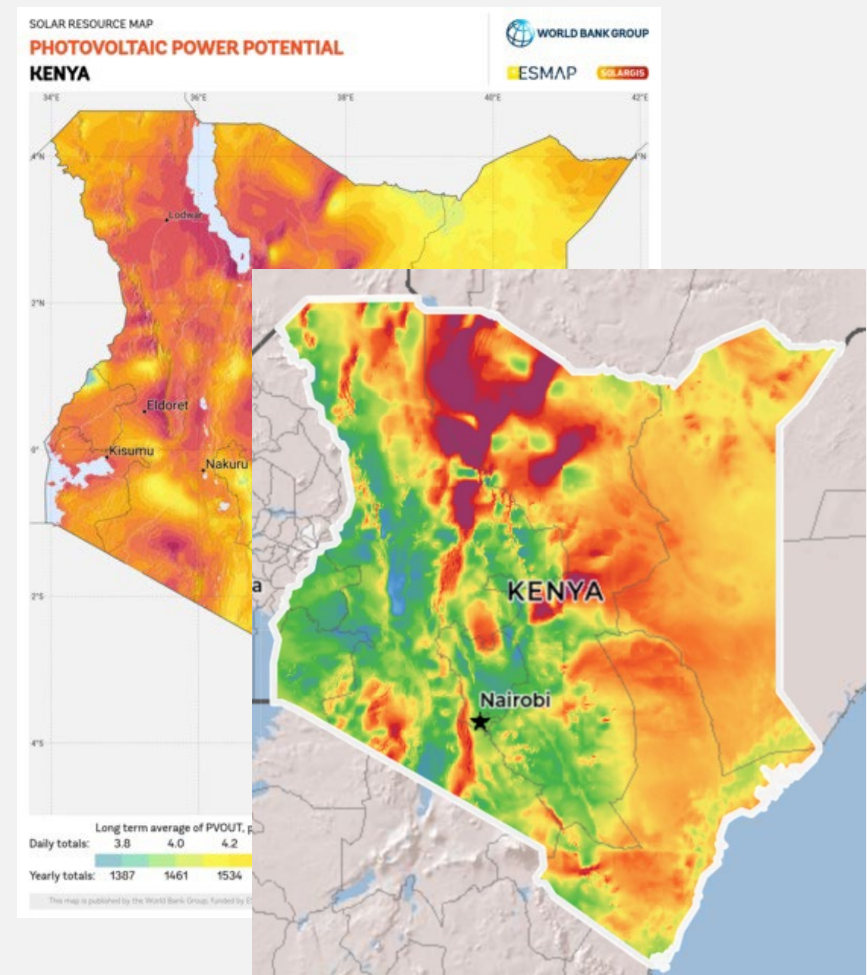
Kenya has significant but untapped renewable energy potential



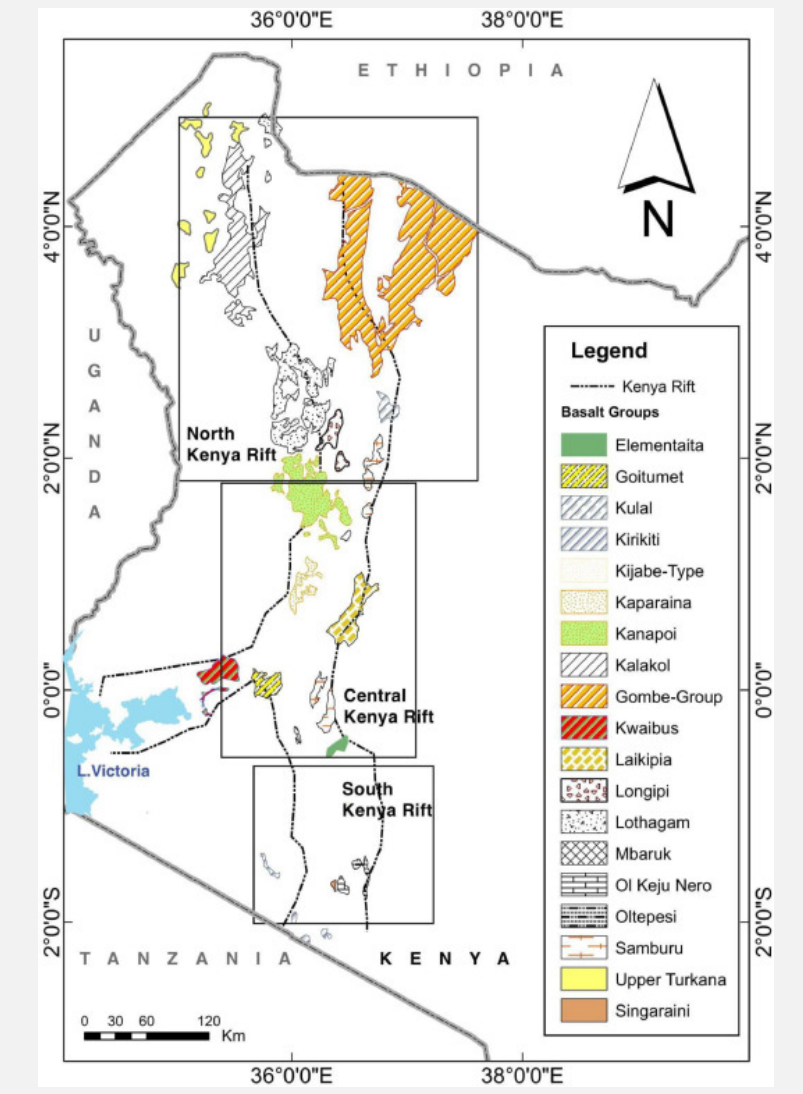
10 GW of untapped geothermal potential



World-class wind and solar power resources



Rare geology fit for carbon storage



Multiple entrants and local businesses with tech innovations bring new potential to Kenyan DAC ecosystem



Not Exhaustive



Innovation

Direct air capture technology

Carbon mineralization

Project developer and systems integrator

Description

- Builds machines that filter CO₂ from the air and pump it deep underground for longer storage

- Provides durable storage services to DAC companies by injecting CO₂ into volcanic rock

- Catalyzes and develops new energy-intensive green industry projects including DAC

Kenya Market opportunity

- Offers access to geothermal power and suitable geology for storage

- Offers access to basalt reserves for storage and geothermal energy for capture

- Offers abundant geothermal energy, suitable sites for DAC, climate-friendly policy landscape and large talent pool

We have an array of strong partners in the pipeline in our quest to develop DAC hubs across Kenya



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Several key takeaways on the status and outlook of DAC in Kenya and the region



Current Status: Nascent but Promising

Potential

DAC industry in the region is in its infancy, with no large-scale commercial projects currently operational

Policy environment is still rapidly evolving with demonstrated interest by gov't in climate-positive policy landscape

Challenges

Region faces significant infrastructure gaps in terms of energy supply, transport & logistics, connectivity

Despite growing interest, there is limited awareness of DAC technology and potential benefits among key stakeholder groups i.e., policy makers

Sector Outlook: High Potential Opportunity

- **Untapped potential:** East Africa offers vast untapped renewable energy potential suitable for DAC deployment
- **Growing global interest:** Increasing focus on carbon removal and climate change mitigation presents opportunities to position region as leader in DAC
- **Technological advancements:** Announced pilot projects can boost R&D efforts and accelerate DAC project dev't
- **Investment attraction:** With the right policy framework and infrastructure development, Kenya and the region can attract significant FDI in DAC project deployments
- **Scaling challenges:** Scaling up DAC projects in region will require overcoming hurdles i.e., securing project funding, upskilling workforce and tackling key infrastructure gaps



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