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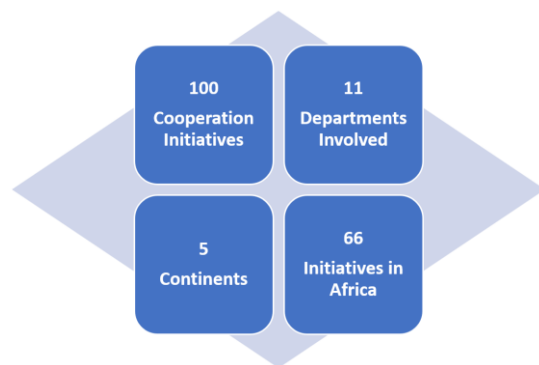
TEchnology for Rural Electrification in Sub-  
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from a characterization linked to the interest and commitment of individual professors who have been able to lay solid foundations to build a more inclusive institutional interest and participation. The number of projects, involved researchers and partners has been growing in the last two decades and Polimi's strategy now aligns with the international frameworks. In the

most recent years academic institutions can play a stronger role on the international arena with specific reference to developing regions for scaling up education and scientific research asset to support local development.

Specifically, **Energy for Growing (E4G)** is an initiative of a research group of the Energy Department of *Politecnico di Milano*. The group studies innovative energy approaches, devoted to improve sustainability and efficiency in **electric energy management**. One of the main focus is on on-grid and off-grid solutions for the electrification of rural areas in developing countries. Energy Storage solutions, Energy Communities and energy markets structure are also investigated.



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**Intercultural Citizenship:** the ability of citizens to strengthen their interactions by building bridges between cultures and blending diversity to build trust and cohesive communities, facilitate access to and protection of rights and provide new opportunities.



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# 1 Introduction

One of the foundational elements of human development is access to energy. The United Nations has adopted the objective of having affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy as the 7<sup>th</sup> goal of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development across the world, which has increased attention to this topic substantially in recent years. Goal 7 comprises five targets: two of them are "means of accomplishing target," while the other three are "outcome targets".



7.1 Universal access to modern energy



7.2 Increase percentage of renewable energy



7.3 Double the improvement in energy efficiency



Promote access to research and investments



Expand energy services for developing countries

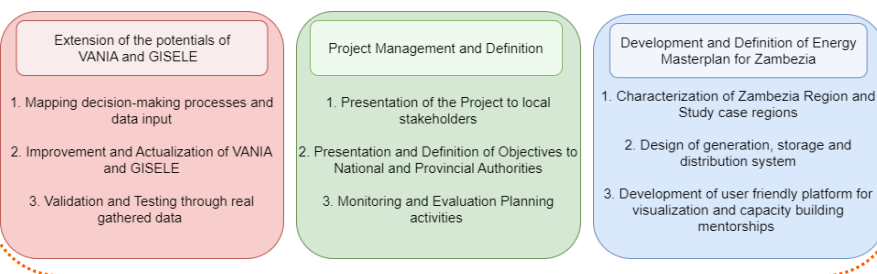
The "Energy Progress Report" shows that access to power has dramatically risen over the past decade. However, the Covid-19 pandemic reversed the positive trend in energy access, causing the first regression since 2013. Up to today, 660 million people are without reliable electricity (most of whom are in Sub-Saharan Africa). In this context, it is widely recognized that energy does not represent only a goal but a pillar in guaranteeing the quality of livelihoods and a key element in development: an enabler of socio-economic development, capable of leading to direct improvements in multiple social dimensions and improving the quality of life. In 2020, Sub-Saharan Africa's portion of the global population without access to electricity was 77% with a significant disparity in electrification rates between urban and rural communities in this region, with the former at 78.3% and the latter at 28.7%. In order to face this challenge a comprehensive approach must be undertaken, in which several significant issues must be addressed: 1. Lack of accurate data; 2 Physical Constraints, e.g., those correlated to inaccessible villages; 3. Social constraints such as people's awareness and acceptance of the new situation.

## 1.1. The Project: TERESA

The TERESA project is funded by Technologies for Sustainable Development 2021 – Program of Fondazione Cariplo and Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo. It aims at contributing to ensuring universal access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services in Mozambique, in line with SDG 7 "Accessible and clean energy", through promoting innovation in the field of international development cooperation (open innovation/challenges, training, events/networking). TERESA project has been carried out between January 2022 and June 2023. In particular, it contributes to "guarantee

universal access to affordable, reliable, and modern energy services “and to” strengthen international cooperation to facilitate access to research and clean energy technology “. Indeed, the objective is to strengthen existing tools devoted to evaluate the best electrification strategies, and adopt them to develop an electrification master plan for the Zambezia province of Mozambique. The tool and the master plan will be shared open source with local and international stakeholders.

**General objective:** Design and implementation of data-driven, replicable, and scalable strategies for accessing energy in rural context, through a participatory approach thanks to expertise and network with local communities. **Open access modelling code, Identification of the optimal electricity solution, Design of the distribution network, Comprehensive model**



A multidimensional master plan will be carried out in the Zambezia Region; out of the ten provinces in Mozambique, this is the one with the highest number of people without access to electricity.



Zambezia Region,  
Mozambique



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Zambezia Community; Policy  
makers; Stakeholders

Zambezia is located in the central coastal region with a population of 5.11 million, it is the second most populated province and the least electrified. The lack of affordable energy access in Zambezia has significant social and economic impacts. Without access to electricity, households are forced to rely on expensive and often unreliable sources of energy such as kerosene lamps or candles. This can result in increased health risks due to indoor air pollution, limited educational opportunities, and reduced economic opportunities and small businesses that cannot operate beyond daylight hours.



## 2 Methodology

This short report aims to introduce the steps of the procedure adopted for the definition of the best electrification strategy. In particular, the proposed procedure consists of three main steps (as depicted in figure 1). In the following chapter, each one of those steps is shortly introduced.

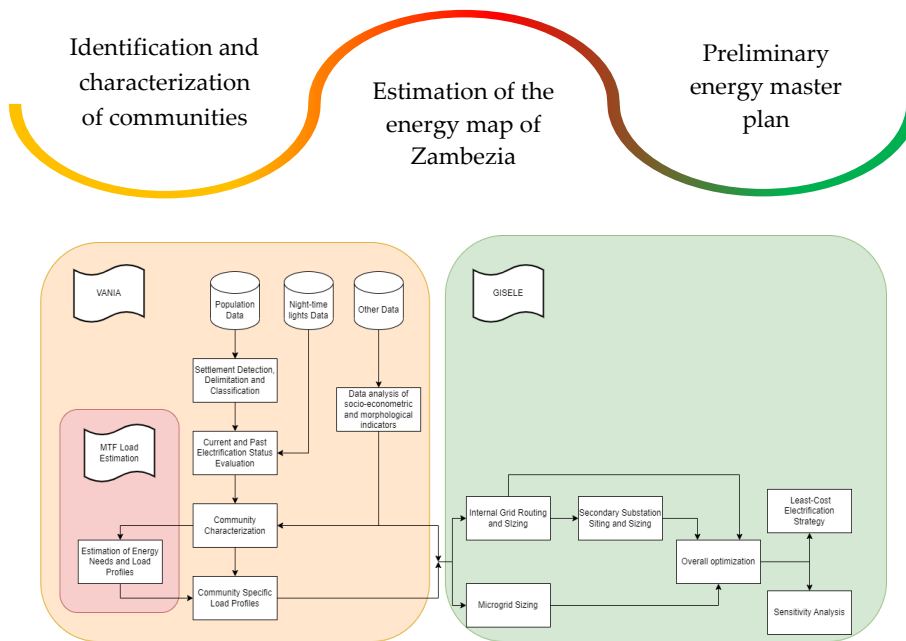


Figure 1. Flow chart of the proposed procedure

### 2.1. Communities Identification

One of the major problems in developing countries, is the lack of reliable and accurate data. In order to overcome this problem, the TERESA project has been based on public GIS datasets and, as detailed in the following, on an on-field campaign of interviews and surveys, devoted to validating and integrating such datasets.

In order to identify the communities in place, a tool named VANIA has been adopted. It is designed to gather socio-econometric information and to correlate them to specific cluster. In particular VANIA is in charge to:

- 1) Locate all the communities in the area under investigation;
- 2) Classify those communities among electrified and not-electrified;
- 3) Processes currently available open-source datasets to perform socio-economic parametrization of the communities.



The clustering procedure utilizes an iterative implementation of DBScan, a density-based algorithm. The current version of the tool defines the communities' borders based on the building distribution and on population density. Once the boundaries of each community are defined, the procedure attributes multiple parameters for characterizing each cluster through economic, social, environmental, and infrastructural information (as detailed in table 1).

*Table 1. Name and source of considered data-set*

Name	Source	Name	Source
Administrative	UN Agencies	Networks	World Bank
Cell towers	OpenCell	Night Lights	NASA
Clustering (Sub)	KTH	Population	Facebook
Crops	Harvard	Population Growth	Columbia
Development Potential	Columbia	Poverty	WorldPop
Distance to city	-	Protected areas	Protected Planet
Elevation	RCMRD	Relative Wealth	Facebook
Food Insecurity	Columbia	Rivers	Hydroshed
GHI	Global Solar Atlas	Roads	OSM
HDI	UN	Schools	OSM
Hospitals	OCHA	Substations	Multiple
Landcover	ESA	Urban percentage	WorldPop
Literacy	WorldPop	Wind	Global Wind Atlas
Locations	OpenStreetMap	MTF	World Bank

Finally, communities are classified among electrified and not electrified thanks to an algorithm (see figure 2) that processes the electric grid datasets and the nighttime lighting dataset. The latter is based on a global database<sup>1</sup> reporting nighttime light, with a spatial resolution of 1 km and temporal resolution of one year, from 1992 to 2018.

<sup>1</sup> Li, X., Zhou, Y., Zhao, M., Zhao, X., 2020. A harmonized global nighttime light dataset 1992–2018. *Scientific Data* 7, 168. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-020-0510-y>

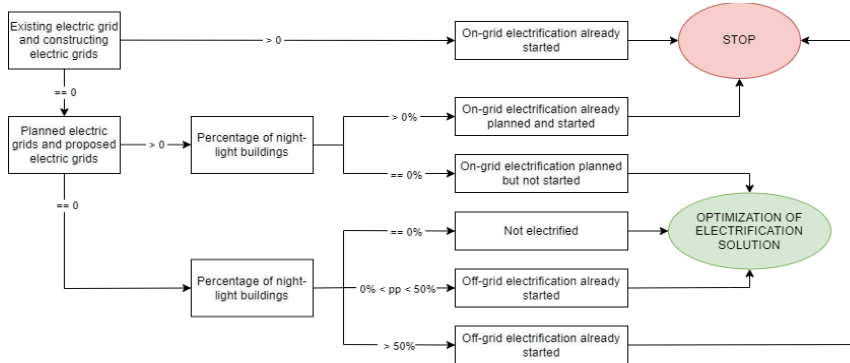


Figure 2. Definition of electrification status and type procedure

## 2.2. Estimation of the Zambezia energy map

Load profile estimation is critical for planning rural electrification; it is essential for determining the energy system's capacity and selecting the best approach for electrification. The proposed procedure classifies consumers in different user classes, which refer to different appliances and time-usage. The daily electric energy consumption could be calculated by knowing the appliance's power and functioning time. The household's energy load profile is then added to other layers (each one reporting energy needs), such as commercial activities and public buildings. In the proposed approach, all the activities and their energy needs are grouped into different classes based on their behavior. Through this approach it is possible to create an energy density map for each cluster. The overall procedure and the different layers of the energy density map are summarized in the following.



Figure 3. Flowchart of the procedure in charge to quantify the energy map of the area under investigation

- **Households:** ESMAP launched MTF program to collect comprehensive data about energy access. The Framework provides a methodology for measuring access in a tiered spectrum – from Tier 0 (no access) to Tier 5 (the highest level of access). Thus, the captured data could allow a better understanding of energy access gaps and develop a potential solution for improvement. This study uses a criterion of 5% of a household's income and expenditure to classify households into tiers. In this layer, there are five tiers of households based on their appliance ownership. As reported in *Table 2*, for each tier, there is detailed information about appliances and usage windows.

Table 2. Tiers, usage windows and appliances

Appliance	Tier 1			Tier 2			Tier 3			Tier 4			Tier 5		
	Watts	hours /day	Min. annual consumption (kWh)	Watts	hours /day	Min. annual consumption (kWh)	Watts	hours /day	Min. annual consumption (kWh)	Watts	hours /day	Min. annual consumption (kWh)	Watts	hours /day	Min. annual consumption (kWh)
Task Lighting	1	4	1.5	2	4	2.9	2	4	2.9	2	8	5.8	2	8	20
Phone Charging	2	2	1.5	2	4	2.9	2	4	2.9	2	4	2.9	2	4	2.9
Radio	2	2	1.5	4	4	5.8	4	4	5.8	4	4	5.8	4	4	5.8
General Lighting				12	4	17.5	12	4	17.5	12	8	35	12	12	52.5
Air Circulation				20	4	29.2	40	6	87.6	40	12	175.2	40	18	262.8
Television				20	2	14.6	40	2	29.2	40	2	29.2	40	2	29.2
Food Processing							200	0.5	36.5	200	0.5	36.5	200	0.5	36.5
Washing Machine							500	1	182.5	500	1	182.5	500	1	182.5
Refrigerator										300	6	657	300	6	657
Iron										1100	0.3	120.5	1100	0.3	120.5
Air Conditioner													1500	3	1642.5

**Education Centers:** all the education centers, such as schools, universities, institutions, etc., are included in a dedicated layer. Due to the lack of reliable sources, it's hard to properly process data belonging to this layer. **Health Centers:** the system consists of three levels of health services and hospitals, classified with respect to the served population. A list of electrical appliances was estimated for each health center, and consequently, the energy needs have been estimated.

Table 3. Tiered based health services (HSDP with WHO)

Type	Served population
Health post	3.000 – 5.000
Health centre I	15.000 – 25.000
Health centre II	25.000 – 40.000
General Hospital	40.000 – 100.000

- **Other:** For what concern the shops energy needs, the authors refer to JICA energy masterplan that defines the loads for ten different communities. Through this it has been possible to calculate hourly key-factors used to compute each community's final shop load demand.

Once all the above layers were analyzed and computed, it is possible to compute each community's energy load profile and peak power. It must be noted that the loads are based on MTF approach, i.e. it is correlated with the household's income.

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### 2.2.1. On-field surveys

In order to validate and integrate public datasets, an extended on-field campaign has been set up. To facilitate the gathering of data, a comprehensive list of communities in which there are active or closed project with the local partner has been analyzed and among them different communities have been chosen: at the end 726 surveys have been done. In the following table the list of the communities that have been surveyed with the key factors is reported.

Table 4. List of surveyed communities

Type	Served population	Latitude	Longitude	Number of surveys
Quelimane	Navilembo	-17,65°	36,69°	63
Quelimane	Mucor	-17,80°	37,01°	67
Nicoadala	Mucelo novo	-17,62°	36,76°	70
Nicoadala	25 de junho	-17,58°	36,70°	64
Namacurra	Muebele	-17,62°	37,14°	133
Mocubela	Gurai	-17,31°	37,97°	72
Maganja da costa	Mussaia	-17,41°	37,35°	65
Namacurra	Mazuau	-17,69°	37,24°	113
Maganja da costa	Masqueira	-17,55°	37,46°	79

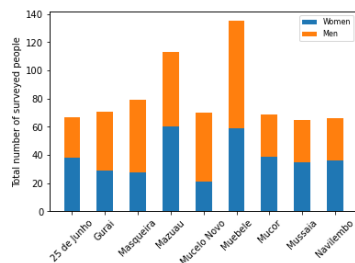


Figure 4. Population and gender of different surveyed communities

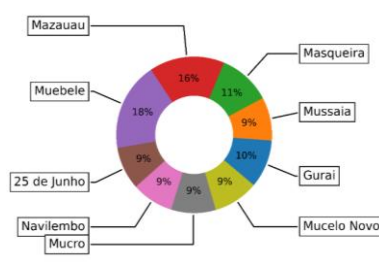


Figure 5. Share of survey performed in the different communities

The surveys have been carried out through local enumerators with experience in data gathering and capacity building, fastening the data acquisition and improving the reliability of the acquired data, thanks to relationships with local communities they built in previous projects. Though the survey was possible to analyze the income, the expenditure and the willingness to pay of the households, as well as information about the appliances, the outages and others. Results clearly point out a correlation between the income and the expenditure, while no direct links result for the income and the

willingness to pay. Indeed, in the community of *25 de Junho*, higher incomes are related to a very low willingness to pay.

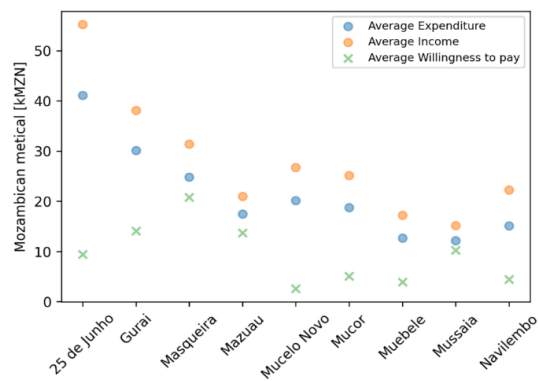


Figure 6. Comparison between income, expenditure and willingness to pay

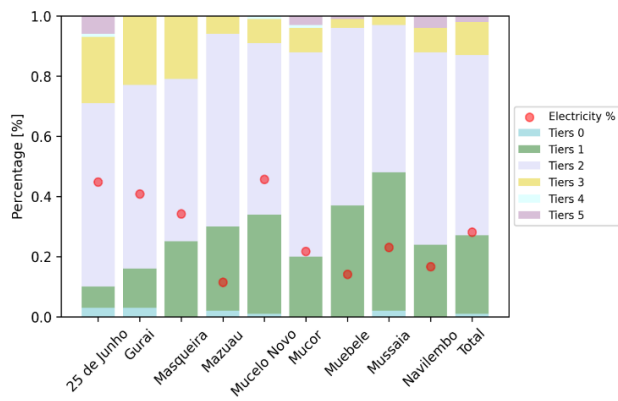


Figure 7. Comparison between share of tiers and electrification ratio

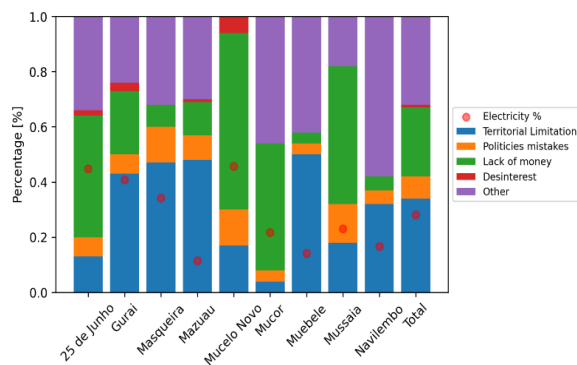


Figure 8. Perception of the causes for lack of electricity

Moreover, the usage of electricity in economic activities has been investigated. Focusing on the partially electrified communities, only the 5.5% of surveyed working people use electricity to generate income. Figure 7 and Figure 8 draw attention to an interesting and thought-provoking observation: the electrification ratio consistently falls short of the 50% mark, with the lowest values nearing 10%. This striking statistic prompts further analysis by examining the division into tiers: the majority of the population resides in Tier 1 and Tier 2, indicating a higher likelihood of electrification and implying that a significant proportion of individuals in these areas could enjoy the benefits of basic appliances, such as phones and lights. However, the relatively lower percentage of electrification in Tier 3 regions sheds light on the complex challenges a considerable portion of the population faces. These challenges encompass not only financial constraints (theoretically less critical for Tier 3 people) but also territorial limitations that bounds access to a reliable electricity provision. These findings pointed out the multifaceted factors contributing to the disparities in electrification rates across different tiers. Territorial limitations, i.e. geographical barriers or remote locations that make it challenging to deploy power infrastructure, play a not minor role. On the other hand, the lack of financial resources may restrict individuals to access and utilize electricity. Hence, only the 30% of people declared to have access to reliable electricity. In particular, in the investigated rural areas the costs of national grid deployment is a barrier to electrification, motivating the vast usage of solar home system (this is for approx 50% of the surveys), while there is a very poor share of microgrids (see figure 8).

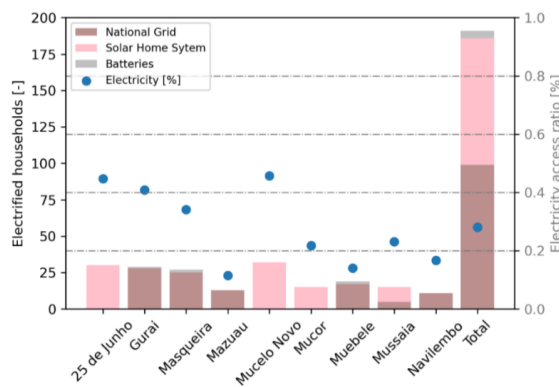


Figure 9. Type of electricity supply for communities

### 2.2.2. Energy map

Finally, using the MTF approach explained previously, the author created households' load profiles for each tier and, consequently, the load estimation of each surveyed community.

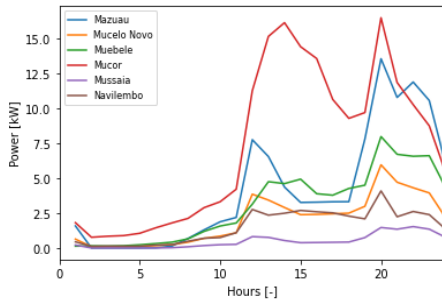


Figure 10. Load estimation of surveyed communities using MTF approach – household profile

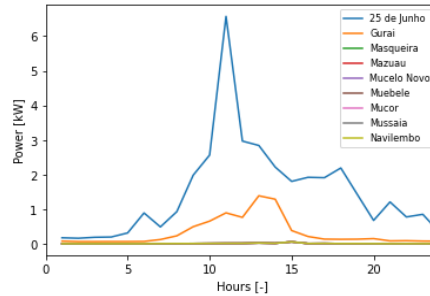


Figure 11. Load estimation of surveyed communities using MTF approach – Schools and Hospitals profile

To spread this approach over the entire Zambezia, a preliminary classification is done. Considering indicators such as distance to the national grid, distance to the cities, number of buildings and population, three main different classes are defined: City, Sub-urban and Rural. For sake of representativeness in Figure 12 some localities are shown.

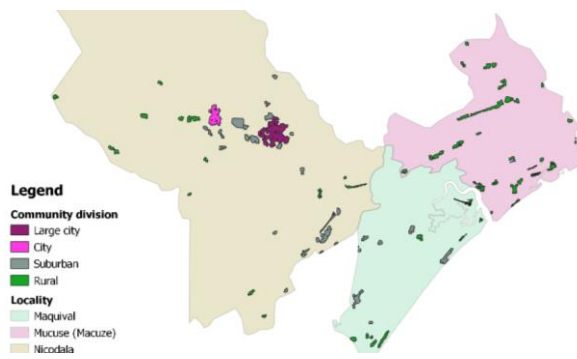


Figure 12. Classification in City, Suburban and Rural

As a second step, a classification in energy consumption [Wh/pp] and peak power [W/pp] classes was performed (see Table 6).

Table 5. List of surveyed communities

Type	Classes of energy [Wh/pp]	Classes of Power [W/pp]	Classes of Income [kMT/pp]
City	0 - 600	0 - 150	0 - 25
Sub-urban	600 - 1500	150 - 350	25 - 50
Rural	>1500	>350	>50



Figure 13. Example of classification of surveyed communities based on energy classes

Finally, knowing the correlation between loads, energy profile and cluster, as well as the number of populations, it is possible to calculate the household's power profiles for each community. Similar information has been performed for hospitals, schools and shops; finally, the overall load for each cluster identified in the Zambezia was computed. In Figure 14 two districts are shown, where the differences between cities and rural communities is highlighted.

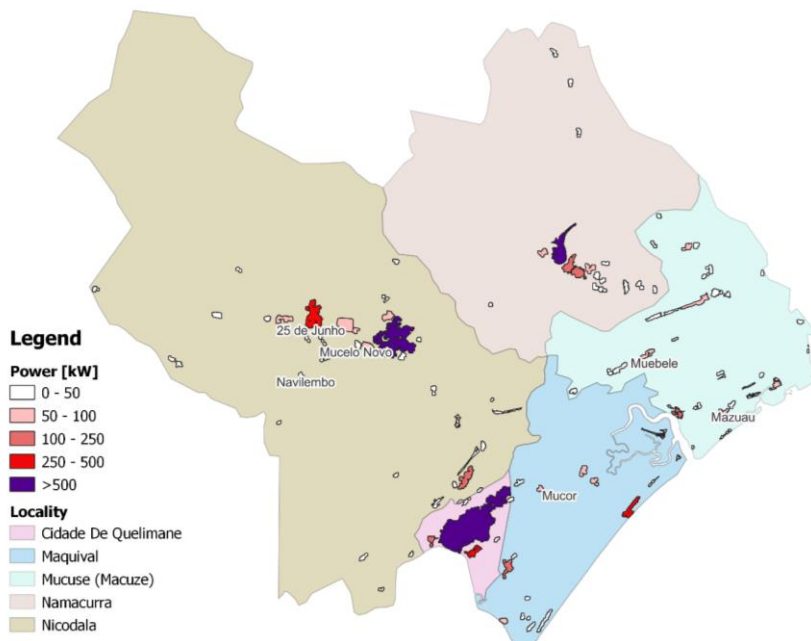
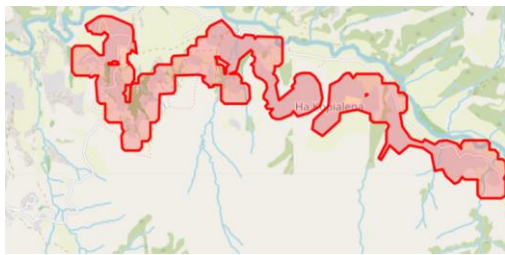


Figure 14. Energy map of Namacurra and Nicosadala district



### 2.3. Electrification masterplan

As the final step, a preliminary routing of the national grid (for those communities' candidate to be operated grid-tie) and the generation portfolio for microgrid (for those communities' candidate to be operated off grid) has been performed.



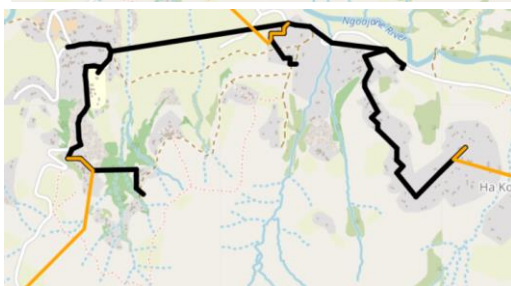
Step 1. Definition of the cluster through VANIA application. Each cluster refers to a connection point.



Step 2. Definition of connection points (i.e. for medium voltage lines) of the defined clusters.



Step 3. Deployment of MV feeders for connecting the points previously defined



Step 4. Connection to the existing national grid

Figure 15. MV feeders deployment procedures

The procedure, for the entire Zambezia area, evaluates the communities identified with the VANIA procedure and look for a distribution grid planning capable to feed

them starting from the already in place, and from the planned, primary substations (High Voltage / Medium Voltage substations). That information has been obtained by public datasets (Figure 16). The final layout will consider all the 1292 clusters and the 11 existing substations. Then GISELe procedure is executed in order to evaluate which community could be fed by the national grid, thanks to the routing of the distribution grid, and which one is too far, i.e. is a candidate to be fed by a local microgrid; consequently the generation portfolio of such microgrid is optimized (Figure 19). The procedure is based on a genetic algorithm and consider the geographical parameters of the area (land types and potential obstacles, roads – in particular, lines are supposed to be cheaper if deployed along the path of an already existing road). A detailed description of the algorithm adopted is available in Figure 15. Figure 17 reports the routing of the proposed MV grid devoted to connecting the communities viable for being fed by the national grid. Finally, Figure 18, the communities' candidates to be operated off-grid are depicted in black. Finally, considering a maximum acceptable distance to substation, the authors defined the clusters that should be electrified with off-grid systems. Based on this classification, a proposal for installing new substations is developed. The placement of these substations is carefully determined to minimize transmission losses, improve grid reliability, and ensure equitable access to electricity. The integration of various tools and methodologies presented in this chapter demonstrates the comprehensive approach to optimizing electrification planning in Zambezia.

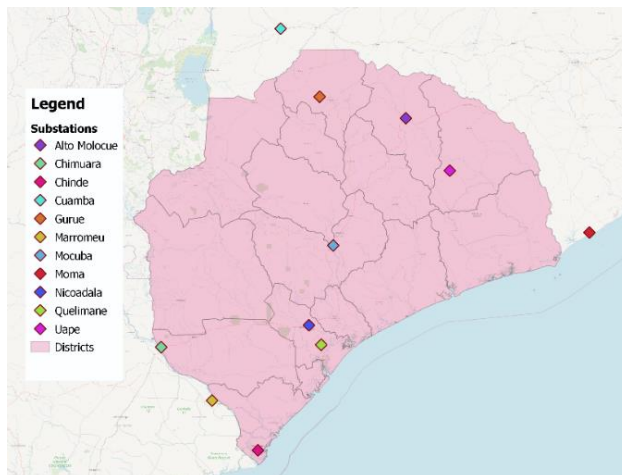


Figure 16. Zambezia Area and already in place, or planned, HV/MV substations (i.e. connections among distribution grids and the national grid)

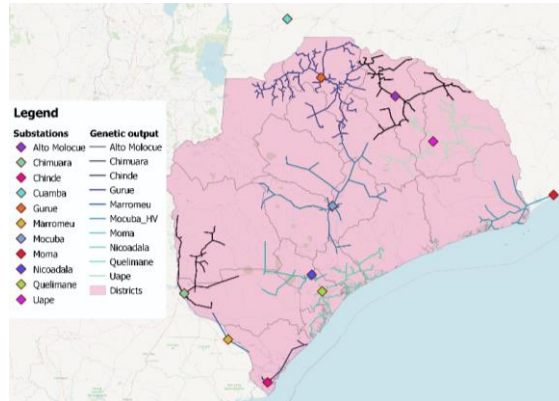


Figure 17. Distribution grid routing connecting the identified communities with the HV/MV substations

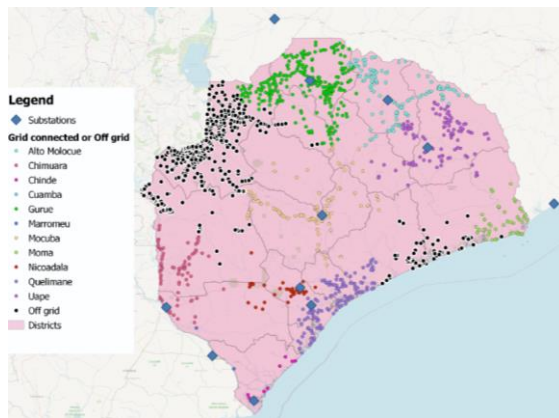


Figure 18. Total set of communities processed in the Zambezia area, the coloured one are candidate to be operated grid-tie, the black ones are candidates to be operated stand-alone

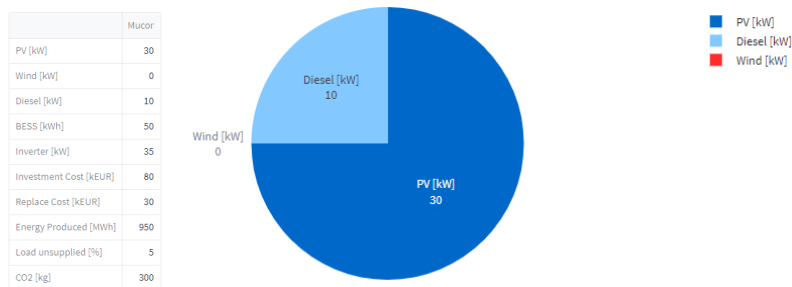
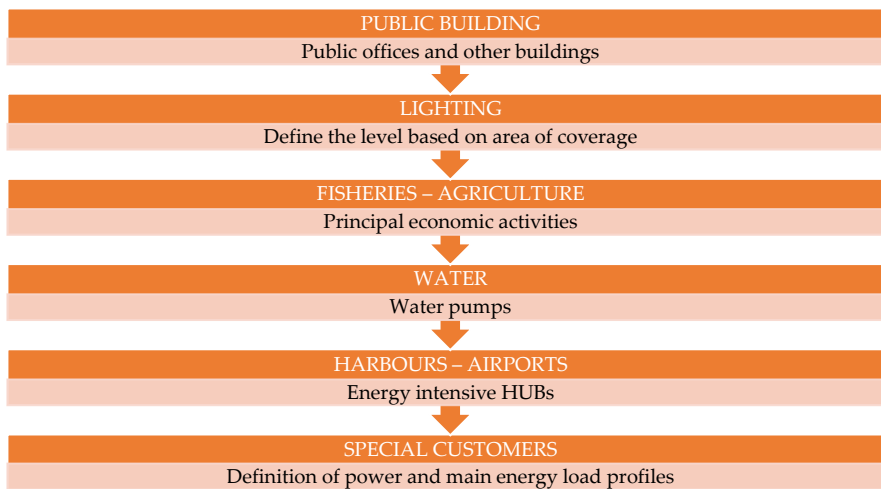


Figure 19. Example of a generation portfolio optimization for one of the investigated cluster (i.e. for one microgrid candidate to be operated stand-alone)

## 4 Future improvement and Follow-ups

The present chapter briefly presents proposals for improvements and possible follow-ups.

- The calculation of the loads for the main economic activities within the region is based on weak hypothesis. The lack of data and difficulties to gather information leave this chapter open for next follow-ups. Particularly, together with ICEI a data acquisition campaign has started in order to better define the requirements of such sectors. Equally, the shops and other commercial activities must be addressed to better define the factors used.
- One of the main criticalities that have been faced during the project is the inconsistency between opensource datasets. The authors strongly believe in the powerful mean of open-source data but with reliable datasets. Indeed, Governments, development partners, and private sector actors need to invest in data collection mechanisms, including surveys and energy audits, to collect accurate and reliable data on the energy sector.
- Finally, the next steps would require the improvement of the energy map, for each community, with the layers listed below.

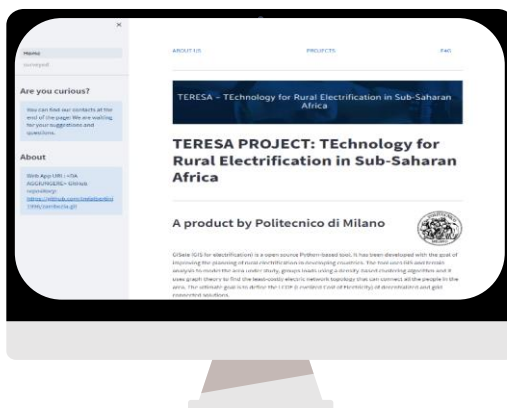


## Acronym

ICEI	Istituto Cooperazione Economica Internazionale
SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
GISELe	GIS for rural electrification
VANIA	Village ANalytics In Africa
E4G	Energy For Growing
MTF	Multi-Tier Framework
WHO	World Health Organization
TERESA	TEchnology for Rural Electrification in Sub-Saharan Africa
JICA	Japanese international cooperation agency
HSDP	Health Sector Development Plan

## 5 Annex 1 - User Friendly Dashboard

Finally, an open-source user-friendly tool has been developed to make the visualization of the data easy. This chapter will briefly present the main features and the structure of the tool. In the tool home page there is a description of the main objective and a small presentation of the partners. Moreover, the contacts of the research group can be found at the end of the home-page. On the right side of the screen there is the possibility to choose the page for navigation. In particular:



1. Surveyed refers to all the information related to the surveyed communities, with the data from the surveys, the main outcomes from the postprocessing and other useful information to better define the communities.
2. Electrification procedure: the final energy density map of Zambezia and the final results related to the generation portfolio and the electric network deployment is displayed.

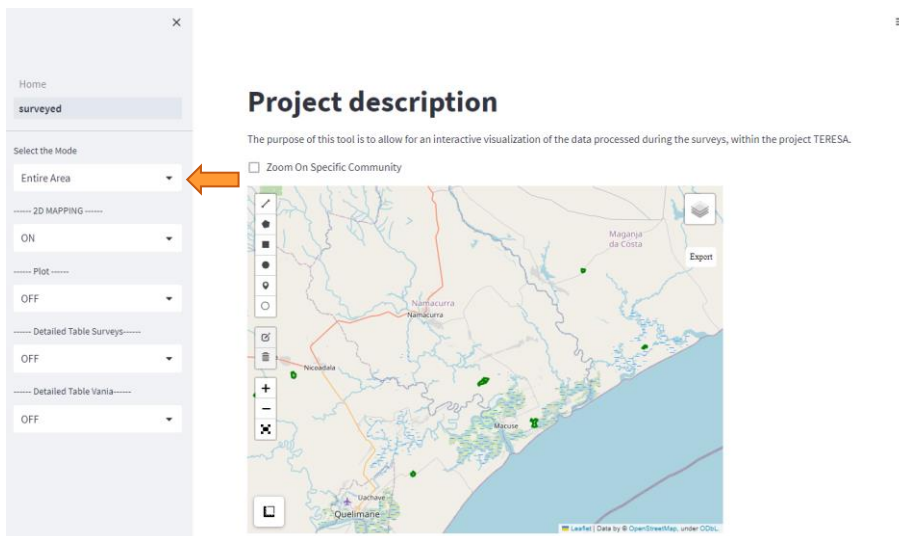
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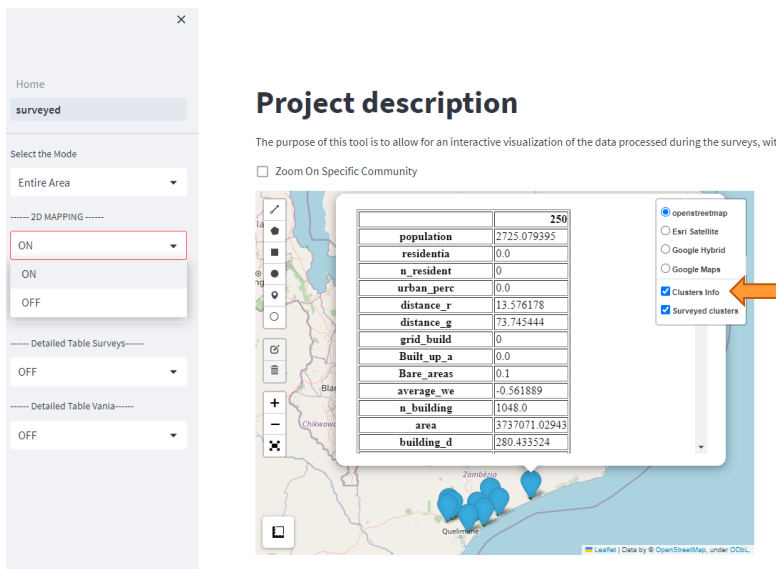
## 5.1. Surveyed

### 5.1.1. Surveyed: Entire Area

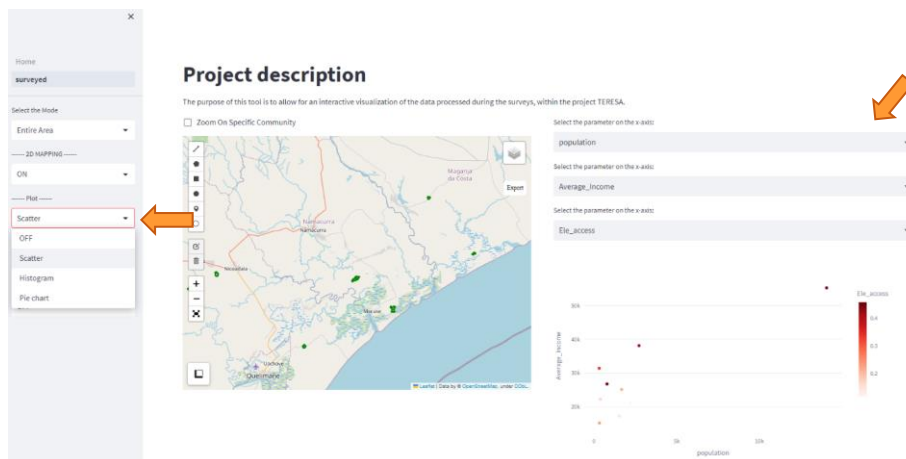
On the right bar, selecting *entire area*, it is possible to analyze the overall studied area with the surveyed communities.



Particularly, clicking on *layers image* on the up-right corner, it is possible to display all the information related to the selected cluster.

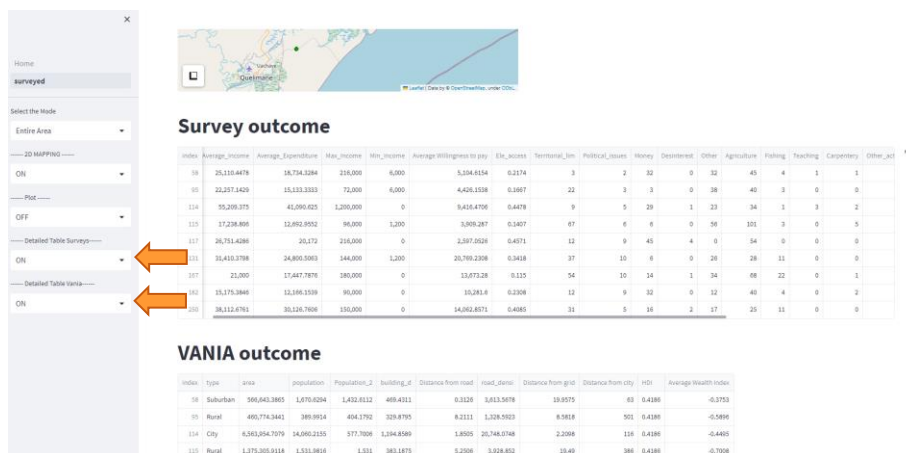


For a more specific and rapid description of parameters, selecting different plots on the left bar is possible to have further info. Once set the type of plots, it is possible to choose between several variables and correlations.



Finally, always in the right bar, it is possible to select the tables with numerical results from the surveys and the VANIA tool.

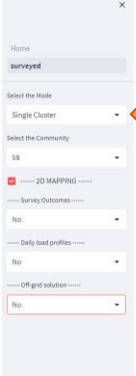
The GUI will display the entire tables with the overall variables.



### 5.1.2. Surveyed: Single Cluster

In this section, a deeper analysis of each cluster is possible through the comparison with the other clusters. Indeed, the daily energy load profile and other requirements are displayed. Moreover, in this section the preliminary analysis displaying the generation portfolio and the outcome of the microgrid optimization is reported. All the communities are displayed with the 2D map and the description with the primary information.





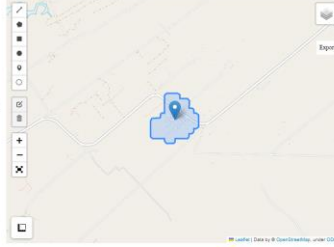
### Community Description

The community under analysis is called Mucor and is located in Mozambique. More precisely, with respect to the first level administrative division it is in, while in when considering the second level.

Based on our open-source databases, we estimated a total of 196 buildings, home to between 663 and 1670 people. The community develops itself over approximately 0.57 km<sup>2</sup>, resulting in a population density of 1170.51 people per km<sup>2</sup> and a building density of 345.9 buildings per km<sup>2</sup>. Furthermore, it reached its maximum population in 2020, with a growth of 25.09 percent from 2000 to 2020.

Moreover, looking at nighttime data, it seems that in 2018 (our most recent data) the village lacked access to electricity as when looking at it from the sky during the night we were not able to see any light. Looking at the progression of satellite images, it seems that this community never experienced any form of electrification.

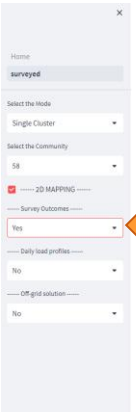
### 2D MAP (Mucor)



### Survey outcome

Moving on to the survey performed, we surveyed a total of 69 people. In terms of income, we found an average of 25130.44776 mt, with a maximum of 230000 mt and minimum of 6000 mt. The village has an electrification rate of 21.740000000000002, with 0.0 being electrified through the national grid and 0.22 with solar home systems. When asking the surveyed people about the reasons for lack of electrification, we found that 3 identified territorial limitations, 2 think that political issues are hindering the development of infrastructure, 32 blame their economic situation and only 0 think that the reason is lack of interest from public bodies. In terms of main source of income we have: 45 Agriculture, 4 Fishing, 1 Teaching, 1 Carpentry, 2 Market and 13 are other activities. Finally, based on the analysis performed for the village, we estimated 1231 Wh of electric needs and a peak load of 1413. For more information, check the load profiles.

Selecting *survey outcomes*, it is possible to choose between different parameters. The pie-chart will be displayed and the chosen community is compared in a bar plot with the others.



### Survey outcome

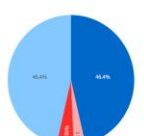
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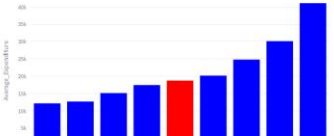
Select the parameter to visualize:

Reasons for lack of electrification

Set the survey parameter to compare with other communities:

Average\_Expenditure






Selecting *daily load profile*, the energy demand calculated as explained in the report is shown.



### Survey outcome

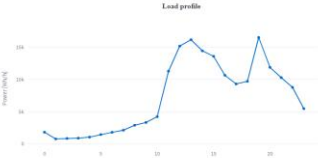
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### Load profile



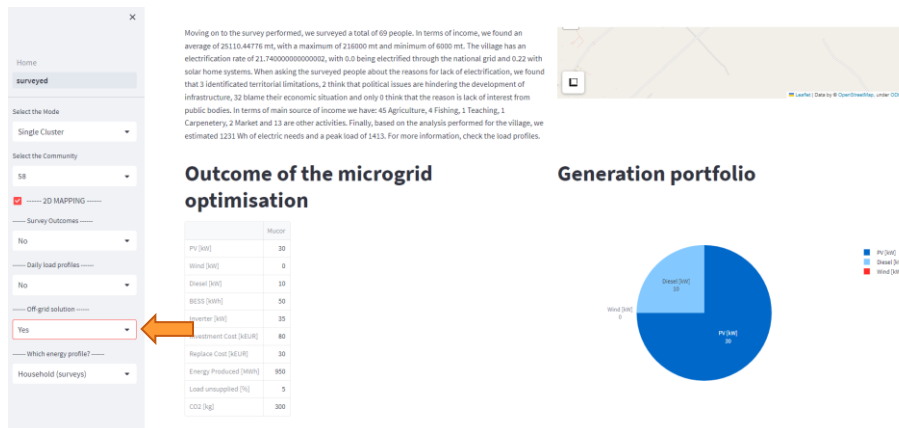
This load profile also includes estimates on business and utility such as shops, hospitals and schools

### Load profile



This is a load profile solely based on the surveys regarding residential energy requirements.

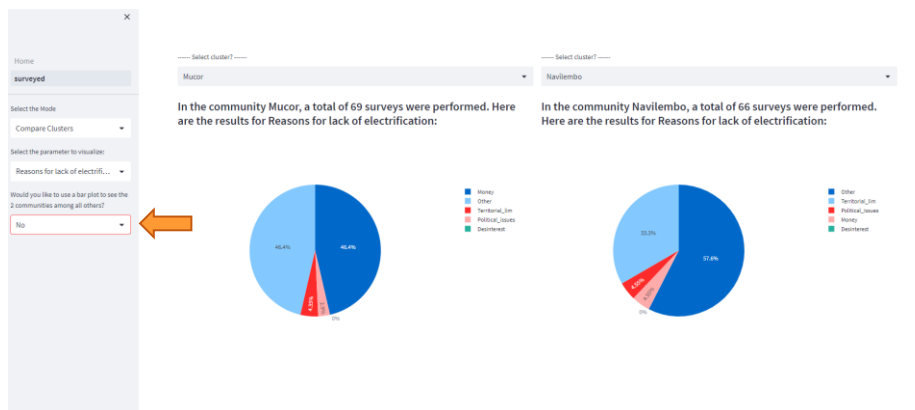
Finally, the output of the Off-grid solution can be displayed.



The *single cluster* option reports data coherently with the criteria already detailed for the previous cases..

### 5.1.3. Surveyed: Compare clusters

In the last section of surveyed pages, the user can compare two clusters through pie-charts various indicators and compare the two-chosen one with all the others thanks to a bar plot.

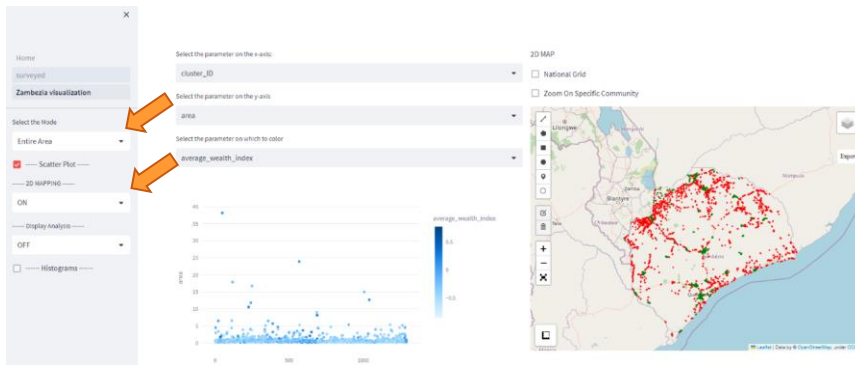


## 5.2. Zambezia visualization

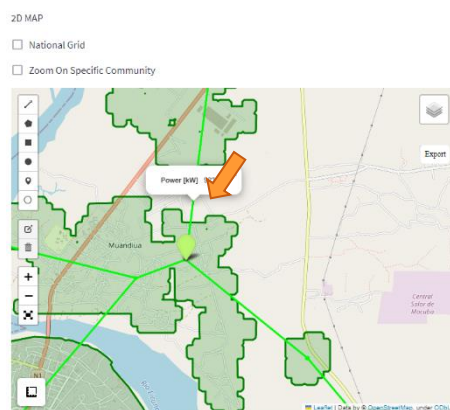
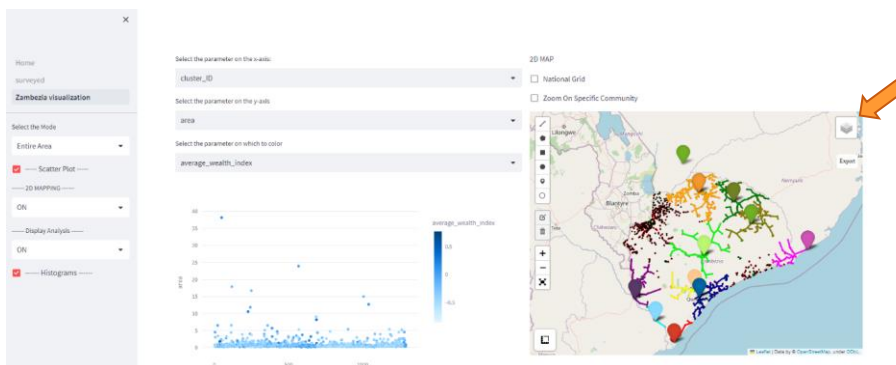
### 5.2.1. Zambezia visualization: Entire area

In this page, the entire Zambezia and all the defined clusters are displayed and analysed. Indeed, the energy map, the preliminary analysis of the national grid and the output of the microgrid system are displayed for the user. Starting analyzing the entire area, the user is able to create plot in order to better define all the clusters and

to see the clusters in a 2D map. Selecting *Histograms*, the tool displays a specific information of the clusters in different histogram plots.



In the 2D map, in red are displayed the non-electrified communities and in green the electrified ones. Moreover, selecting the analysis, the structure of the national grid is shown. In particular, in black are reported all the communities that, according to the performed simulations, should be electrified through off-grid systems.



The different colors of the electric network refer to the different substation at which the lines refer to. Clicking on the icon of the layers on the up-right corner, it is possible to select or deselect all the lines of each substation. Finally, zooming on the 2D plot the user is able to see the main characteristics of the lines (i.e. power flow).