

Fact sheet – Siemens in Africa

Today, Siemens is a global powerhouse with activities in nearly 190 regions, which enables us to offer customers fast, local, tailor-made solutions. In Africa, Siemens has been active for more than 150 years.



Siemens has strong roots in Africa

- Siemens has been active in Africa since 1860 when the company installed the telegraph line between Cape Town and Simons Town in South Africa. The company also completed the country's first renewable energy project in 1892, when it was a technology supplier to the Molteno Reservoir in Cape Town.
- Siemens has a well established presence of regional companies, representative offices and project teams in many countries stretching from northern to southern Africa.
- As a good corporate citizen, Siemens takes its responsibilities toward society seriously, engaging in extensive education, community aid, and arts and culture programs throughout Africa. The company is leveraging its innovative and financial strength as a major industrial enterprise to help achieve the United Nations' Millennium Goals and vision for Africa and ensure that the continent plays an active role in a fair and sustainable global economy.
- Africa's growing economies and major investments in infrastructure have created a number of business opportunities for Siemens.

Highlights from the Energy Sector

- The recently completed gas turbine plants in Nigeria and Algeria, and the many high-voltage substations are helping power the rapid economic growth of the two countries.
- In the Democratic Republic of Congo, the local presence of Siemens has ensured a strong partnership with the Inga II dam of the Inga hydroelectric facility.
- The first new power stations in South Africa's democratic era provided by Siemens, namely the Ankerlig and Gourikwa open cycle gas turbine plants in the Western Cape, are helping to ensure the reliability of the country's power supply.
- Siemens is participating in the Desertec Industrial Initiative to provide sustainable power to North Africa, the Middle East and Europe. Environmentally friendly power generated at solar thermal power plants in the Sahara and wind farms in North Africa is to be transported to the load centers where the power is needed.
- The recently opened Siemens Wind Power Center of Competence for Africa and the Middle East will serve not only the needs of South Africa, but also those of the African continent and the Middle East.



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Highlights from the Healthcare Sector

- At the Rabat Government Hospital in Morocco, Siemens installed the first CATHLAB catheterization room in the country and a MAMMOMAT 3000 Nova analog mammography system.
- Through the First Foundation Medical Centre, Siemens supplied life support equipment, magnetic resonance imaging, computed tomography, radiotherapy and lithotripsy systems, as well as a picture archiving and communication system (PACS) to teaching hospitals across Nigeria.
- The Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital (IALCH) in Durban is fully equipped with Siemens medical equipment. Recent orders include the Soarian MedSuite, to proactively manage clinical, financial and administrative processes from beginning to end, and integrated radiology information systems for reading and planning exams and for radiology reporting.

Highlights from the Industry Sector

- The products and technical know-how of the Industry Sector have been in great demand in various booming African industries such as, mining, metals, cement, water and petroleum among others.
- Africa's largest copper mine; Equinox Minerals Lumwana Mine in Zambia is equipped with various technologies from Siemens such as electrical equipment and systems for Open-Cast mine haulage trucks, Grinding Mills and "In-Pit" electrical reticulation and medium-voltage drives for pumping applications.
- Siemens has also received major orders in the cement industry. CimENTS du Maroc S.A. awarded Siemens an order for the new factory in Agadir, Morocco, and in Nigeria, Obajana Cement PLC placed orders for various low-voltage components for control and distribution systems, automation systems and drive technologies.
- Siemens is playing a significant role in providing water to Africa, receiving many orders in various countries. In Nigeria, Kaduna State Ministry of Water Resources awarded Siemens a contract for the replacement of medium-voltage switchgears and 3.3kV motor starter switchgears. Siemens in Morocco is supplying solutions for water treatment and distribution in the cities of Tangier, Tetouan, Rabat and Kenitra. The Société des Eaux et de l'Assainissement d'Alger (SEAAL) awarded Siemens a contract for the rehabilitation of waste water recovery posts. The company upgraded two pumping stations, allowing for the installation of a sophisticated water supply irrigation system for Sucrivoir, a sugar cane company in Cote d'Ivoire.

Highlights from the Infrastructure & Cities Sector

- As part of a consortium, Siemens received an order from the Algerian metro operator Enterprise Metro d'Alger (EMA) for the first metro line in Algiers.
- As part of South Africa's rail infrastructure upgrade program, the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (PRASA) recently commissioned Siemens with the construction of a new Gauteng nerve center for centralized rail traffic management.
- Siemens was the major supplier to the first tram line built in Africa, which involved the placement of 140 light rail vehicles into service on eight lines in Tunis, Tunisia.