













# Mobilising JET SEP's network as mentors and hosts and engage government to open facilities for candidate placement

### **Activating the JET SEP Network**



**Energy Efficiency services demand is growing**, in part due to the change in regulations



South Africa's demand is moving from ad-hoc energy saving interventions to **energy** management systems requiring continuous energy improvements, 20k - 32k jobs will be created

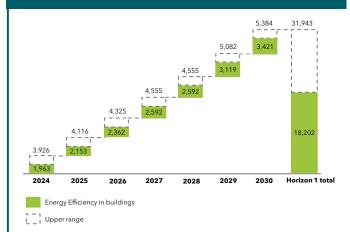


~6k of these will be technician roles across installation, ops & maintenance, representing the long-term potential for the intervention



Industries, even in the early stages of growth, recognize the opportunity to nurture and develop skilled individuals with strong technical and problem-solving abilities

#### Jobs to be created by 2030



Increased demand for energy efficiency products can create 28k-32k gross jobs by 2030

#### **Existing solutions**

- Regulations that support job creation, such as Energy Performance Certificates (EPC), Section 12L Tax Incentives, and Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEPS), offer valuable opportunities for workforce development.
- Ongoing initiatives are focused on upskilling unemployed electricians into specialized EPC Practitioners, empowering them to certify buildings. Energy Efficiency Technicians will also play a critical role in conducting in-depth energy assessments essential for supporting energy management systems.
- The adoption and implementation of these regulations have been limited by fragmented efforts in workforce upskilling and reskilling.
  Strengthening collaboration and coordinated training initiatives will unlock their full potential.

#### Overview of key actions



Target TVET Colleges Nationwide - Focus on ≈ 380 TVET college learners across South Africa (Gauteng: 200, Western Cape: 60, Eastern Cape: 60, Limpopo: 60), with potential to scale.

Collaborate with Key Stakeholders - Partner with relevant energy, education, and government organizations to drive success.





Boost TVET Accreditation in Energy Efficiency qualifications - Provide technical and financial support to enable TVET colleges to achieve accreditation.

Enhance In-Service Training Placements -Increase opportunities for student placements in existing energy efficiency programs to build hands-on experience.



## **Strategic Intervention Factsheet:** Nation-wide Energy Efficiency Candidacy Placement **Key next steps**



#### Co-create

an industry-informed work integrated learning plan to support the regulatory outcomes the learners can help the building owners to achieve

#### Attract

host companies with access to buildings by marketing benefits of involvement across industry networks



#### Centralize

applications and placements to facilitate demand-led matching of applicants and hosts

#### Support

host companies in effectively structuring in-service training to be mutually beneficial





#### Establish

a mechanism to capture feedback from participants and hosts to continuously refine programme

As of March 2025



#### This intervention also begins to realise 3 strategic paradigm shifts required to drive systematic change



#### Demonstrating a private-sector-led

model by lowering barriers for companies to host and co-fund inservice training while also showcasing direct benefits (talent pipeline, public recognition etc.,) that encourage broader adoption



### Testing a demand-led approach to meet regulatory requirements by

aligning training with regulatory skills needs using place-based, year-by-year modeling to set the right skills, pace, and scale, enabling a smoother intern-to-employee transition while providing a replicable model for future regulatory programme implementation



#### **Coordinating funding streams**

to jointly launch and refine the programme, then transition it into stable homes (e.g., SETAs), shaping new public-private financing models for workforce development

#### **Support required for implementation**



Host companies willing to integrate learners into realworld work, provide mentorship, and offer structured feedback



Funding partners to support training delivery, implementation logistics, and managing learner stipends for scale and sustainability



Access to commercial buildings and energy data to provide work related technical learning

#### **Get in touch**



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#### Connect with us to:

- Receive more information on strategic intervention
- Detail on what support and partnership could look like