

Acronyms and abbreviations

ACCA	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
ADEME	French Agency for Environment and Energy Management
CBFP	Congo Basin Forest Partnership
CDC	Center for Disease Control and Prevention
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CEPF	Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund
CGIAR	Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research
COMESA	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
COMIFAC	Central Africa Forests Commissions
CPC	Communist Party of China
CSR	corporate social responsibility
DRHI	Desert Rainwater Harvesting Initiative
ECOSOC	United Nations Economic and Social Council
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency/Authority
GGSD	Good Governance in Sustainable Development
GIF	Generation IV International Forum
GITSI	Global Initiative Towards a Sustainable Iraq
GNESD	Global Network on Energy and Sustainable Development
GONGO	governmentally organized non-governmental organization
GSPD	Global Sustainability Partnerships Database
GVEP	Global Village Energy Partnership
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
IR	International Relations
ITT	infrastructure and technology transfer
LDCs	Least Developed Countries
LPG	Liquid Petroleum Gas
MEDA	Maharashtra Energy Development Agency
MNC	multinational corporations
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
NGO	non-governmental organization
NWO	Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research
ODA	official development assistance
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PAWS	Partners for Water and Sanitation

PEFC	Programme on the Endorsement of Forest Certification
PEPS	Partnership Promoting an Energy-Efficient Public Sector
PROASNE	Projeto Água Subterrânea no Nordeste do Brasil/North-eastern Brazil Groundwater Project
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
QCA	qualitative comparative research
R&D	research and development
REEEP	Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership
REN 21	Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAPP	Southern African Power Pool
SARD	sustainable agriculture and rural development
STS	science and technology studies
SWS	safe water system
TNC	transnational corporation
UN	United Nations
UNCSD	United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development
UNDESA	United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United Nations Agency for International Development
WAWI	Western African Water Initiative
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development
WHO	World Health Organization
WNU	World Nuclear University
WSUP	Water and Sanitation for the Urban Poor