

A Research Alliance ,CSIR/SUPSI Project Proposal For Energy Efficient Building (Housing) in South Africa PROJECT TITLE:

"Energy Efficient Housing in SA"

Presentation: Energy Efficient Housing in SA Background

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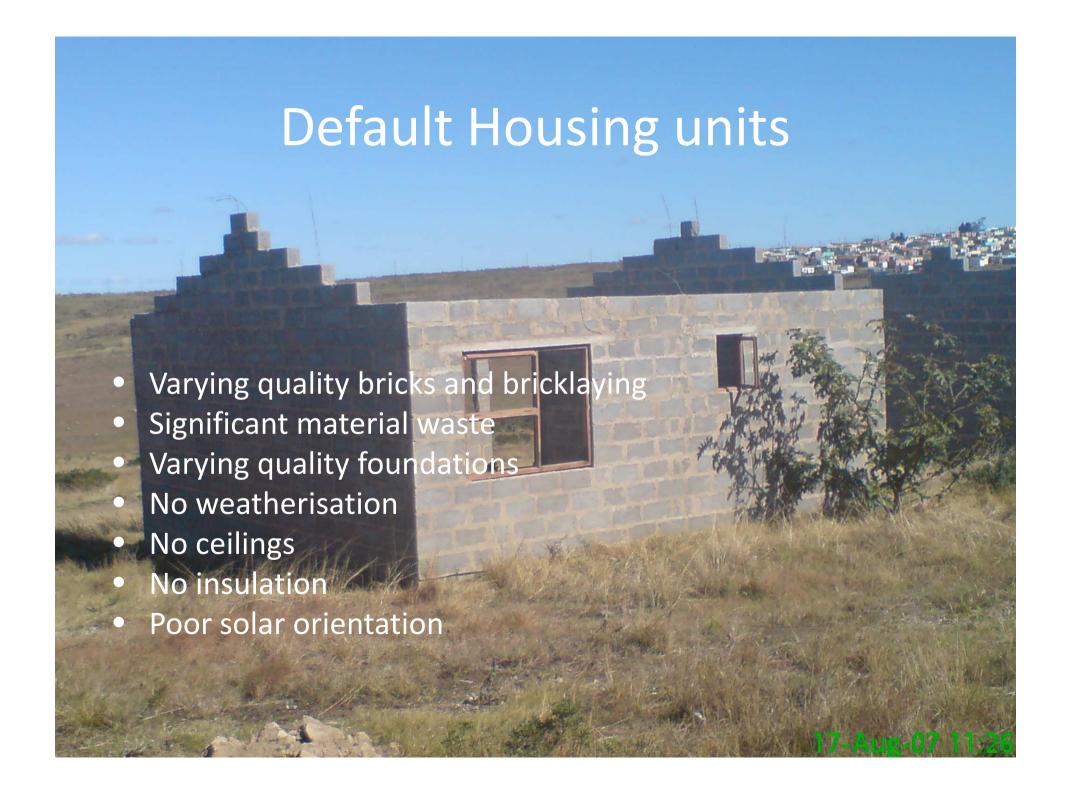
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Sustainability Challenges: Economic, Social and Environmental

- Housing backlog about 2.2m
 - Eastern Cape backlog about 800 000
- Electricity
 - Need 41 539 MW by 2013: renewable to provide 1 667 MW (4%) by 2013
 - 44% of SA households do not use electricity for cooking
 - 20% of SA households do not electricity for lighting
- SA on threshold of internationally-used definition of water stress
 - Between 12-14m without access to safe water
 - Over 20m without adequate sanitation
- Global warming impacts on South Africa
 - Climate change cause less precipitation generally
 - Higher winds at the coast
 - Flash floods





South African experience

- Large number of projects implemented in the past, either "normal" housing projects with an energy efficiency twist or pilots and demonstrations of single energy efficient houses
- Large knowledge base on energy efficient intervention
- HOWEVER, energy efficiency not mainstreamed in housing delivery

South African experience

- Materials: brick cavity walls, compressed earth bricks, adobe, compressed wood composite material, etc.
- Design: orientation, fenestration, roof overhang, weatherisation, ceiling, insulation, shared walls, etc.
- Energy use: town planning, solar water heaters, solar PV, solar cookers, etc.

CSIR expertise

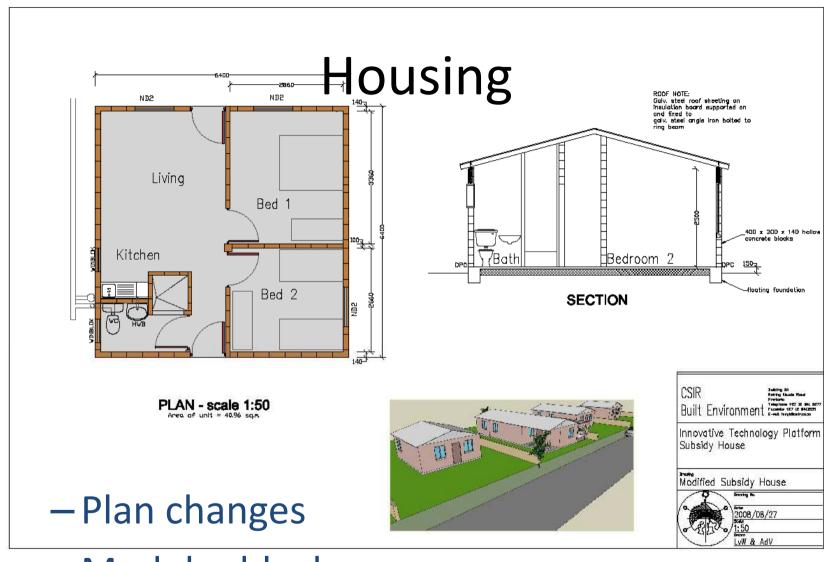
Research on:

- Design
- Construction methods
- Material selection
- Home owner behaviour
- Systems integration

Linkages with national, provincial and municipal government to implement projects

SA Experience

- 1. Kuyasa & CDM: See attached and http://www.kuyasacdm.co.za/
- 2. SANS 204
- 3. see http://www.sustainabilityinstitute.net/surf-mainmenu-73
- 4. CSIR Housing
- 5. NHBRC



- Modular blocks
- Prefabrication (roof & plumbing)
- CRCP foundations

The End

