Burkina Faso Air Quality Policies

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Burkina Faso Air Quality Policy Matrix				
Goals	Status	Current Policies & Programmes		
GENERAL OVERVIEW	Overall situation with respect to air quality in the country, including key air quality challenges: ??? Air quality monitoring system: ???	National Ambient air quality standards: ??? National Air Quality Policy: ??? Air Quality legislation / programmes: ??? Other: ???		
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM INDUSTRIES	Industries that have the potential to impact air quality: The most important industries are; cotton lint, beverages, agricultural processing, soap, cigarettes, textiles, gold among others GDP of country: USD 12.3B in 2013 Industries' share of GDP: 23% Electricity sources: 87.3% of the installed electricity generating capacity (252,000 KW in 2010) is generated from fossil fuel; the rest 12.7% is generated from renewable source PM and NOX are some of the most important air pollutant in the country	Emission regulations for industries: ??? Small installation's emissions regulated: (Yes/No) ??? Renewable energy investment promoted: ??? Energy efficiency incentives: (ex: Subsidies, labelling, rebates etc) ??? Incentives for clean production and installation of pollution prevention technologies: ??? Actions to ensure compliance with regulations: (monitoring, enforcement, fines etc) ??? Other actions at national, sub-national and / or local level to reduce industry: (can include incentives to move industries to less populated areas here) • Energy efficiency projects have also been run in the beer brewing sector, financed by the Global Environmental Facility (GEF).		
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM	Key transport-related air quality challenges: (ex: vehicle growth, old fleet, dirty fuel, poor public transport etc)	Vehicle emission limit: (Euro rating) ??? Fuel Sulphur content: (in ppm) Fuel (diesel)sulphur content restricted at 10000ppm		

TRANSPORT	 Freight and passenger transport is usually provided by private companies or individuals Private car ownership is low with 12 car per 1000 individuals in 2010 Vehicle emissions are a major source of PM, NO2 and CO 	Fuel Lead content Unleaded gasoline restrictions since 2005 Restriction on used car importation: • No age limit for used cars imported • Pre-importation inspection is required for road worthiness Actions to expand, improve and promote public transport and mass transit: ??? Actions to promote non-motorized transport: (ex: include sidewalks and bike lanes in new road projects, car-free areas etc) ??? Other transport-related actions: ???
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM OPEN BURNING OF AGRICULTUR AL / MUNICIPAL WASTE (OUTDOOR)	 Outdoor, open burning: (ex: is it commonly done? burning what kinds of wastes? etc) Uncontrolled waste burning, which is a common practice, is one of the practices that contributes to deteriorating air quality in urban centres The management of waste plastics is considered the greatest priority for Burkina Faso. The recycling sector is unable to handle the quantity of waste plastics generated. Despite public awareness of the environmental risks of waste generation, there are currently no specific regulations on the management of waste plastics. Municipal solid waste management is also ranked as a great priority for Burkina Faso. There is little-to-no management of ewaste in Burkina Faso Industrial waste management is currently only limited to its capital, Ouagadougou. 	 Legal framework: (ex: is burning banned?) Policies and regulations exist for the management of healthcare waste in Burkina Faso. However, technology for the collection and disposal of healthcare waste is needed. Legislative reference to the management of hazardous waste is limited to several directives in environmental policies; Actions to prevent open burning of municipal waste and / or agricultural waste: ???

	 Agricultural waste burning can also impact air quality in the rural areas. 	
REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM OPEN BURNING OF BIOMASS (INDOOR)	Dominant fuels used for cooking and	Indoor air pollution regulated: (Yes / No) ???
	space heating:	Promotion of non-grid / grid electrification:
	 The majority of the population (about 90%) still relies on wood energy (firewood and charcoal). Wood is the dominant fuels used for cooking for rural households accounting for 57% of the energy mix in Burkina Faso¹ Impact: Indoor air pollution causes an estimated 16,500 premature deaths every year² Only about 18% f the population has access to electricity, about 40% in urban areas and 3% in rural areas. 	 Adopted in 2007, the Strategy for Rural Electrification supports solar energy for the electrification of rural areas currently lacking connection to the SONABEL grid.
		Promotion of cleaner cooking fuels and clean cook stoves:
		 The construction and sale of energy-efficient stoves for cooking has been successful in reducing biomass demand, a project run by German Technical Assistance (GTZ) and Foyers Améliorés au Burkina Faso (FAFASO).
		Other actions to reduce indoor biomass burning, or to reduce its emissions:
		 Development of renewable energy technologies is only marginally supported by the government.
		• There are no policies or strategic directions for the utilization of renewable energy. However, a guiding principle for PV was outlined in a program to supply basic energy services.
		• The government is trying to promote energy-efficient butane stoves to slow deforestation and reduce pollution from wood fuel

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