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Disruptive innovation and opportunities in the use of renewable energy for sustainable development in Nigeria

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Energy plays a vital role in the economic growth, progress, and development, as well as poverty eradication and security of any nation. The use of renewable energy which is one of the climate change mitigation strategies is vital for sustainable development in Nigeria. This study highlights the economic opportunities in the use of renewable energy in Nigeria. It also identifies that a large number of solar energy devices have been developed by Nigerian scientists and researchers which need to be appreciated and utilized. This study further more identifies the innovative ways of educating communities, institutions and individuals on the advantages of the use of renewable energy in Nigeria. The use of renewable energy and lesser reliance on

fossil fuels in Nigeria will help to reduce the excessive emission of greenhouse gases which are the major causes of global warming and climate change. It is also good to know that there are numerous entrepreneurial opportunities for the teeming unemployed and underemployed youths in Nigeria in the renewable energy industry. Through this study, It is clearly seen that the use of renewable energy in Nigeria is a climate change mitigation strategy which will in turn help us to achieve our sustainable development goals nationally and globally. This paper examines the concept of disruptive innovation in the use of renewable energy in Nigeria and outlines the benefits and green entrepreneurial opportunities for sustainable development in Nigeria.

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