



Global Wind Market & GWEC/IRENA Policy Project Update Steve Sawyer, Secretary General ACEF 2012, Manila 7 June 2012



GWEC - Uniting the global wind industry and its representative associations



2011 growth: 20.3%

Global Cumulative Installed Wind Capacity 1996-2011



Source: GWEC





2011 growth: 6%

Global Annual Installed Wind Capacity 1996-2011



Source: GWEC

15 yr avg growth: 27.5%



Top 10 new installed capacity Jan-Dec 2011



Top 10 cumulative capacity Dec 2011



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ANNUAL INSTALLED CAPACITY BY REGION 2003-2011





Market Forecast 2012-2016





Annual Market Forecast by Region 2012-2016





Cumulative Market Forecast by Region 2012-2016





GWEC/IRENA Wind Policy Study: Objectives

- 1 Gather **policy relevant** but not policy prescriptive information on the top wind power markets
- 2 Identify the elements of the **support schemes** and **regulatory system** which have been helpful to the development of these wind markets
- 3 Present these to a self-identified 'user group' as reference for designing their own framework and for further discussion



'Mature' markets analyzed:

Brazil, China, Denmark, Germany, Greece, India, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Spain, UK, US

IRENA 'user group':

Colombia, Ethiopia, Mongolia, Oman, Peru, Tanzania



General Conditions for a Successful Policy and Regulatory Regime

- Expression of political commitment from government
- Effective rule of law and transparency
- A clear and effective pricing structure
- Provisions for access to the grid
- A functioning finance sector
- An industrial development and employment strategy
- Effective administrative and permitting process
- Government/industry led strategy for public acceptance



List of policy and regulatory options (including but not limited to the following)

 ✓ National targets (binding or indicative) 	✓ Investment tax credits
✓ Feed-in tariffs	✓ Import and tax deferral incentives
✓ Auctions/tendering system	 ✓ Siting regulations
✓ Renewable Portfolio Standards	✓ Permitting processes
✓ Premium systems	✓ Priority access regulations
✓ Tax based production incentives	✓ Grid codes





Draft Summary Findings

A) An effective policy scheme is the outcome of a learning process:

- China demo, tender, regional negotiation, FIT
- Brazil FIT, then to auction

B) Different support mechanisms can/should be adapted to specific phases of market development and market conditions

- Germany FIT/w degression stable returns
- Portugal FIT w/tenders for building industry
- Spain premium targets \geq 7% ROI



C) The type of support scheme depends on the market size and maturity, as well as risk/reward

- UK, Ireland – tendering not the way to start, but is useful later to lower costs;

- Italy, UK certificates can work but at high costs
- FIT best to start, market later

D) Industrial development strategy should fit size of market

- local content makes everything more expensive;
- smaller markets focus on supply chain
- local R & D critical



E) Where federal and state/provincial jurisdictions overlap, try to make complementary rather than conflicting policy;

F) Early engagement with utility/regulator/TSO fundamental to success of the sector – you *will* have grid issues;

G) Community engagement – an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.



Preliminary Policy Impact Analysis

- **FIT schemes** most effective policy mechanism for wind deployment [by early 2011 nearly 64% of the global wind capacity was deployed in markets subject to a FIT regime]
- **Tax incentives** account for 27% of wind capacity (*same period*)
- **Trade and quota systems** offered higher margins for investors though build-out rates have been lower than in FIT markets (2%-5% wind penetration)
- Poorly designed **tenders** (or too early) are a risky option as aggressive bidding poses a significant financing and deployment risk for projects – but see Brazil (and Quebec)



Conclusions

Effective policy the single most important driver for wind or other clean energy investments

Different policy schemes imply certain risks that need to be recognized in the policy design phase – and these are now largely known

Policy has a large, direct effect on final values for LCOE cost of both equity and debt dependent upon risk for investors



Thank you!

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