# **Global Trends in Energy Efficiency and Renewables**



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#### The world energy scene today

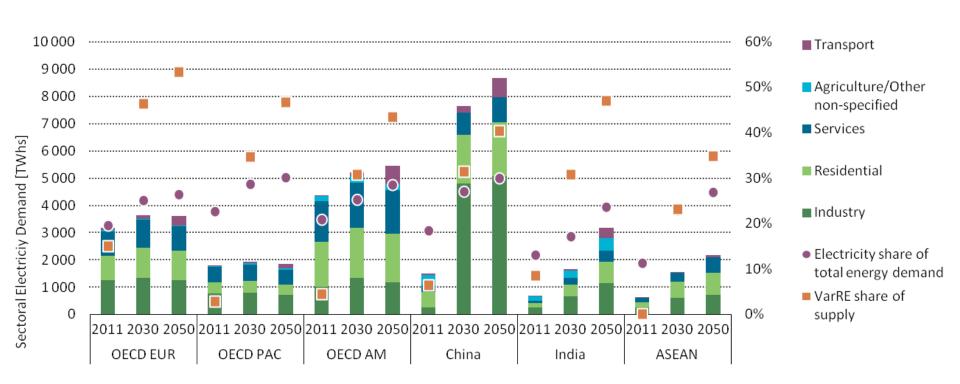


- Some long-held tenets of the energy sector are being rewritten
  - Countries are switching roles: importers are becoming exporters...
  - ... and exporters are among the major sources of growing demand
  - New supply options reshape patterns of trade
- But long-term solutions to global challenges remain scarce
  - Fossil-fuel subsidies increased to \$544 billion in 2012
  - 1.3 billion people lack electricity, 2.6 billion lack clean cooking facilities
  - Renewed focus on energy efficiency, but CO<sub>2</sub> emissions continue to rise
- Energy prices add to the pressure on policymakers
  - Sustained period of high oil prices without parallel in market history
  - Large, persistent regional price differences for gas & electricity

Energy efficiency and renewable energy are key to secure and sustainable future energy systems

#### Global electricity demand

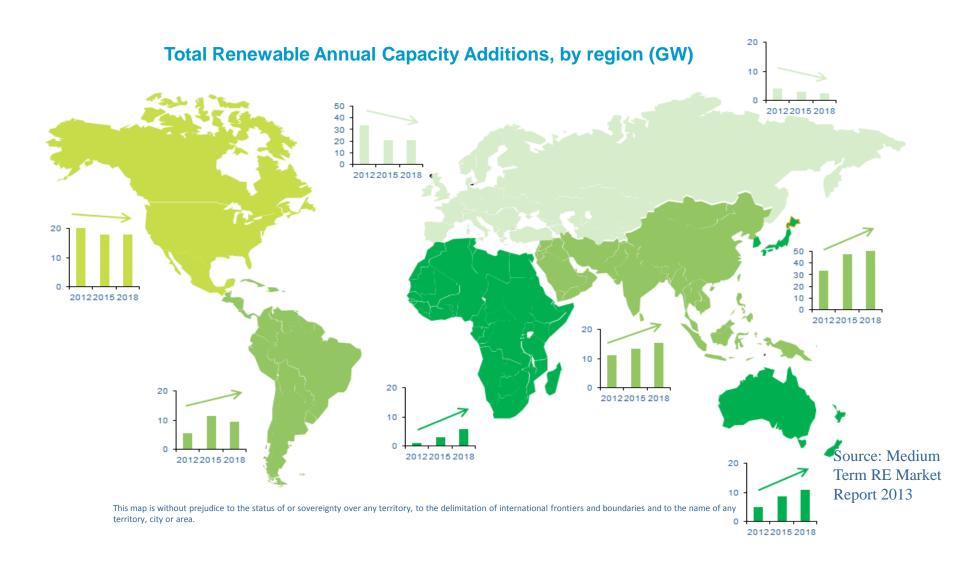




Differences in growth of electricity demand and sectoral distribution require targeted systems development plans

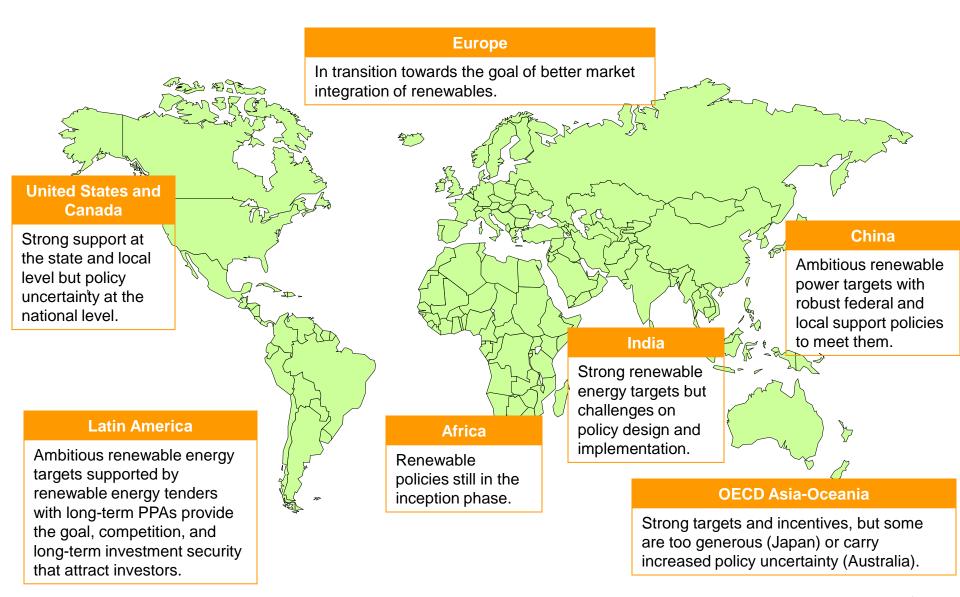
#### Renewable energy growth is spreading





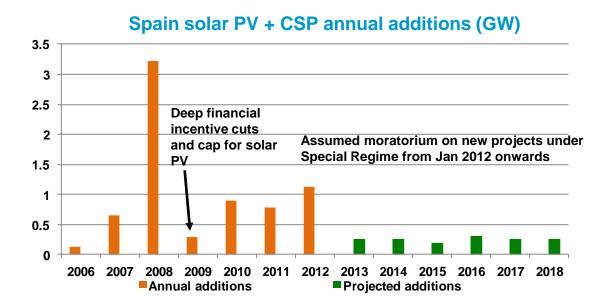
# Renewable power markets and policies continue to evolve



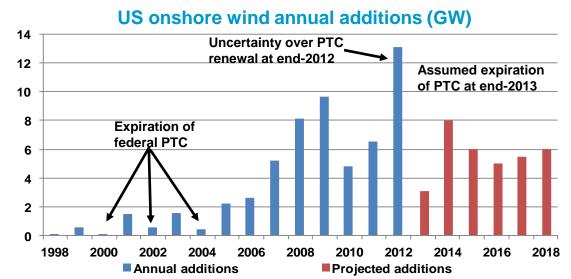


#### Policy uncertainty is the number one risk for renewable energy deployment





Abrupt, retroactive policy changes

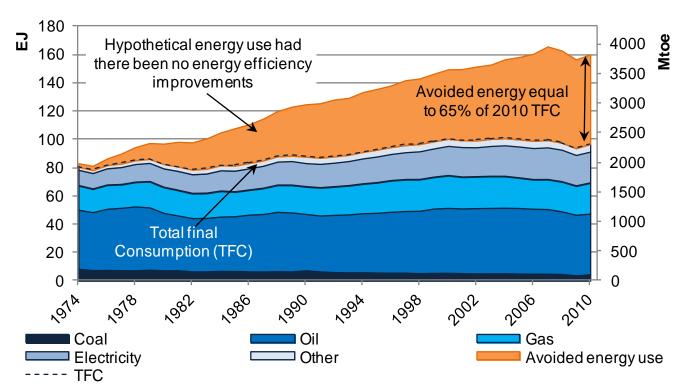


Stop & go policies

#### **Energy efficiency – our first fuel**



### Between 1974 and 2010, energy efficiency was the largest energy resource in a subset of 11 IEA countries

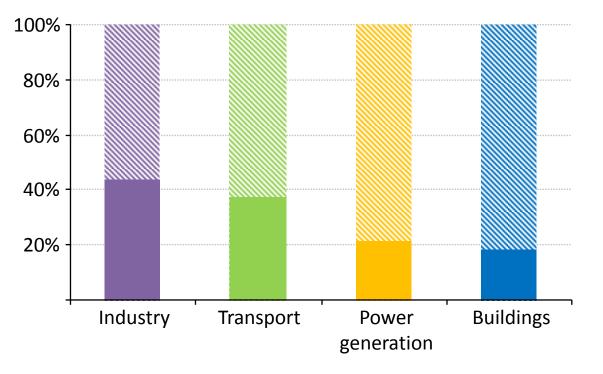


Cumulative avoided energy consumption due to energy efficiency in these 11 IEA countries amounted to over 1 350 EJ (32 billion toe)

## **Energy efficiency:** a huge opportunity **going unrealised**



### Energy efficiency potential used by sector in the WEO 2012 New Policies Scenario



- Unrealised energy efficiency potential
- Realised energy efficiency potential

Two-thirds of the economic potential to improve energy efficiency remains untapped in the period to 2035

Policies are needed to remove barriers and facilitate market creation

#### The Importance of policies



- Despite good progress in the areas of energy efficiency and renewable energy – further efforts are warranted
  - Policies play an important role in creating and maintaining predictable and reliable markets
  - Both energy efficiency and renewable energy still face barriers that policies can address or mitigate
  - Long-term policy certainty is crucial to technology and market development
  - To counteract escalating energy demand significant efforts will be needed in developing and emerging economies

## The importance of International Standards



- International standards play a key role in supporting the development of policies and facilitating market development
  - International standards can reduce time and resources needed to develop policies – particularly important for countries that are still in the initial phases of developing their policy frameworks
  - International standards create the certainty and clarity needed for market development and allow investors to develop viable business models
  - Keeping pace with technology developments is essential international cooperation and dialogue is key
- This workshop is an opportunity to start developing an actionable strategy to advance international standardisation processes that support energy efficiency and renewable energy policy