

International Technology Co-operation – What makes it work?

A European Union perspective

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Outline

- The EU's push and pull philosophy
- EU technology cooperation in practice
- Role of the UNFCCC



The EU's push and pull philosophy

PUSH FACTORS

 Subsidise new technologies (e.g. guarantee demand, set standards, large scale demos, public-private partnerships for technology development, tax reductions)

PULL FACTORS

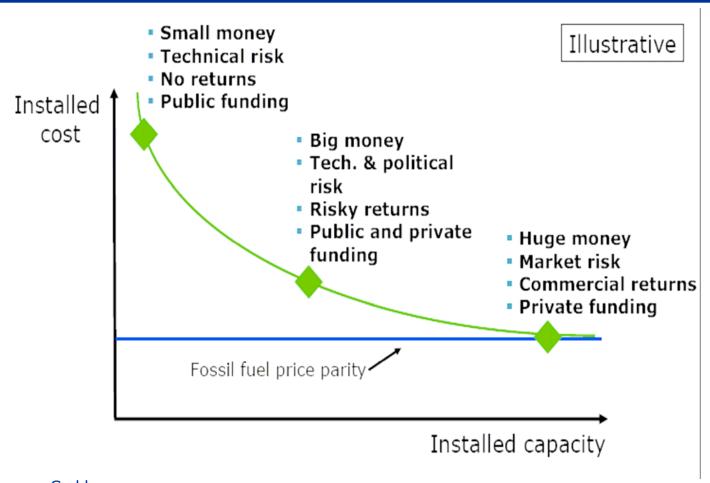
- Emissions trading
- Level playing field

 (abolition of fuel subsidies,
 carbon taxes, feed in
 tariffs)
- Co-benefits (security of supply, rising oil prices)





Stages in technology development



Source: Grubb



Stage 1: Research and technology development

- 6th Framework Programme (5-yr): energy (€ 800 million), transport (€ 600 million), global change and ecosystems (€ 700 million) or more than € 420 mill p.a.
- 7th Framework Programme (2007-2013): energy (€ 2.2 billion), transport (€ 4.1 billion), environment (€ 1.8 billion) or more than € 1.1 billion p.a.
- Scientific agreements with US, China, India, Russia
- Technology platforms?



Stage 2: Demonstration

- Information sharing: REN21
- Financial support: COOPENER, LIFE –
 Third countries, Environment and
 Tropical Forest Budgetline, EU China
 Energy and Environment Programme

Ad Hoc Working Group on Article 3.9 of the Kyoto Protocol



Stage 3: Deployment



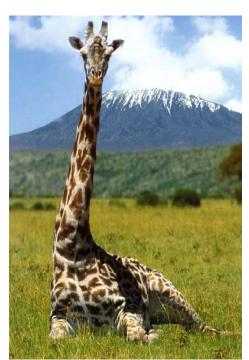
 Policy design/capacity building: bilateral initiatives, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Initiative, COOPENER

 Joint private sector initiatives: Asia Pro-Eco

 Risk capital: Global Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Fund (GEEREF)

• **Investment support:** EU Energy Facility with ACP countries, EIB Investment Facility

• **CDM:** EU € 2.5 billion (2007-2012)





Integrating different initiatives

Bilateral, e.g.

- EU-India Initiative on Clean Development and Climate Change (Sept 2005)
- EU-China Partnership on Climate Change (Sept 2005)
- EU-Russia Working Groups under the Permanent Partnership Council (Oct 2006)
- EU-US High-level Dialogue on Climate, clean energy and sustainable development (Oct 2006)

International partnerships, e.g.

- Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum (CSLF)
- International Partnership for a Hydrogen Economy (IPHE)

International policy processes, e.g.

- Gleneagles Dialogue
- Johannesburg Renewable Energy Coalition



Role of the UNFCCC

- Information sharing
- Using expertise from real world practice
- Identifying gaps
- Peer reviews



More information on EU climate change policy

climate change

http://europa.eu.int/ comm/environment/ climat/home_en.htm

