

# Investment and financial flows to address climate change

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# Introduction

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- Project launched in 2007 in response to **COP 12 mandates: assessment of investment flows needed in 2030** that will be necessary to meet worldwide mitigation and adaptation requirements
- **Consultations** with IFIs, UN agencies, IGOs, NGOs, private sector and civil society
- Analysis was **based on existing work**
- The **results should be seen as indicative** only
- To be used as **instrument panel** for developing options to improve I&F flows

# Key findings

- The **additional estimated I&F flows needed in 2030** is large compared with the funding currently available under the Convention and its KP, but small in relation to estimated GDP (0.3 to 0.5%) and global investment (1.1 to 1.7%) in 2030:
  - **Mitigation measures** needed to return global GHG emissions to current levels in 2030, require additional I&F flows between USD 200-210 billion in 2030.
  - **Adaptation** additional I&F flows needed for in 2030 amount to several tens of billions of USD.

# Key findings

- Incentives and a large share of investment and financial flows will need to be directed to **developing countries** where most of the cost effective opportunities for reducing emissions will happen and because they will be particularly vulnerable to climate change impacts.
- When considering means to enhance investment and financial flows to address climate change in the future, it is important to focus on the role of **private-sector investments** as they constitute the largest share of investment and financial flows (86 %).

# Instrument panel

- Creating climate change safe future will require:
  - **Shifts in investment patterns,**
  - **Scaling up** funding,
  - **Optimising the allocation** of existing funds.
- With **appropriate policies and/or incentives**, a substantial part of the additional I&F flows needed could be covered by available sources.
- **Additional external public funding** for climate change mitigation and adaptation will be needed particularly for sectors in developing countries that depend on government I&F flows.

# Instrument panel

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- How can the Climate Change Convention and its Kyoto Protocol influence future I&F flows?
  - Expanded carbon markets
  - Adaptation Fund
  - Financial mechanism / ODA
- What other options should be considered to address I&F flows in a future regime?
  - New sources
  - National Policies
  - Int'l coordination

# Carbon markets - current

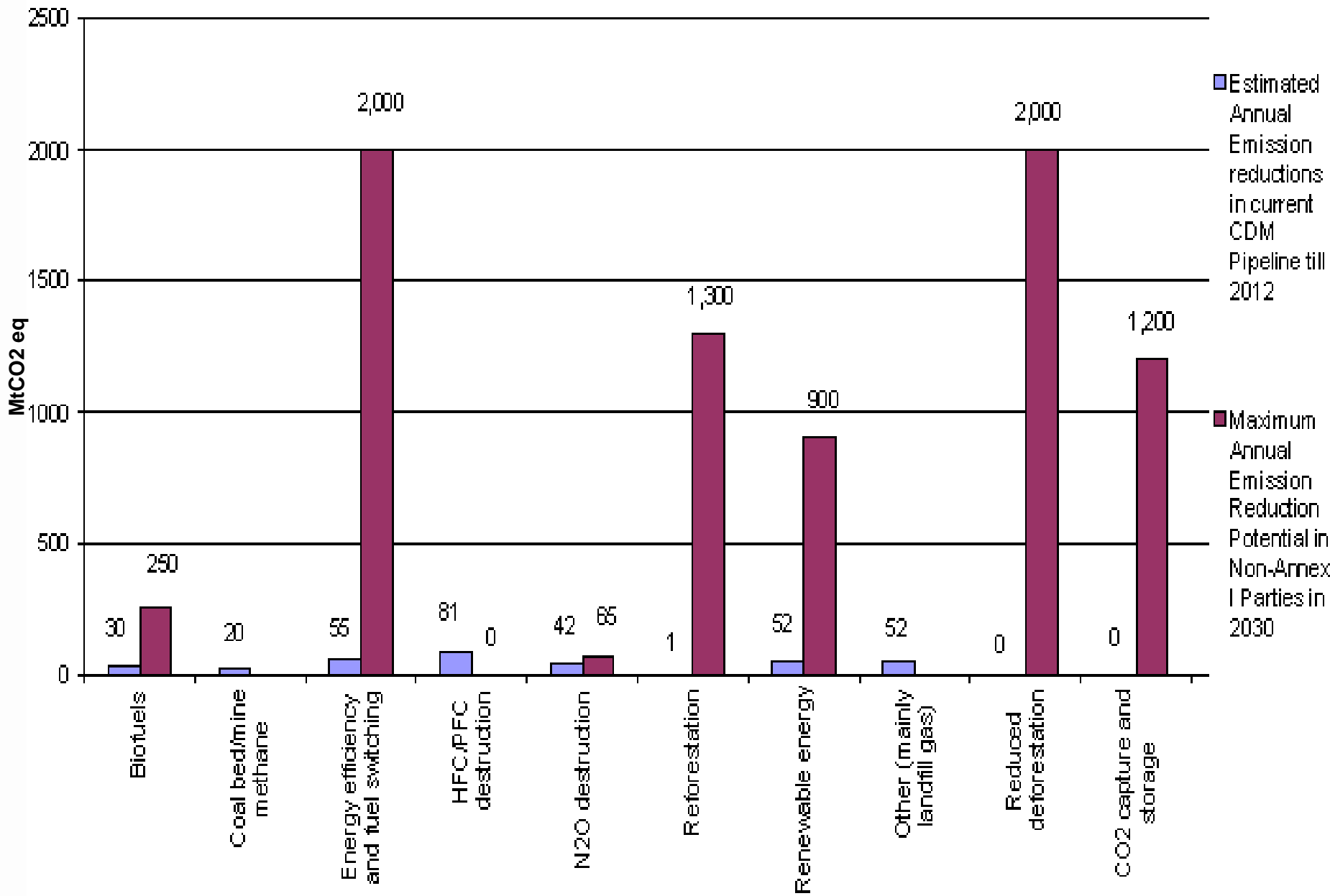
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- **The carbon market is already playing an important role in shifting investment flows.** This is indicative of how quickly investment flows can respond to changes in policies and incentives.
- **CDM shows already a significant potential to leverage domestic and international investments.**
- **The supply of Kyoto units will be abundant compared with to the level of compliance demand for the period 2008–2012.**

# Carbon markets - potential

- Under a **low estimate** of compliance demand by Annex I Parties in 2030 (market of USD 5–25 billion per year), **the current flow of CDM and JI projects would sufficient** to provide supply.
- **A high post-2012 demand** for emission reduction credits **could allow the expansion of existing market mechanisms.**
- **Policy certainty is important for investors.** A longer-term international agreement on climate change broadens the range of mitigation measures that are attractive investments.





# Adaptation Fund

- Funding for the Adaptation Fund between 2008 and 2012 is estimated at about **USD 80-300 million**.
- **For post 2012** the Fund depends on the continuation of the CDM. The level of funding could be:
  - **USD 100–500 million** for **low demand** by Annex I Parties in 2030 for credits from non-Annex I Parties; OR
  - **USD 1–5 billion** in 2030 for **high demand**.
- The Adaptation Fund could be further expanded with **additional sources of funding**.

# ODA and Financial Mechanism

- Although **ODA** funds are currently less than 1 per cent of investment globally, LDCs and smaller developing countries will continue to rely on ODA and soft loans from IFIs.
- If the funding available under the **financial mechanism** remains at its current level and continues to rely mainly on voluntary contributions, it will not be sufficient to address financial flows estimated to be needed for mitigation and adaptation.

# Options for other sources of funding

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- Several options have been suggested in the study. Some of these options could generate revenues commensurate with the additional investment and financial flow needs.
- Any of these options would require further analysis and agreement at the intergovernmental level.

# National policies

- **Governments set the rules** for the markets in which investors seek profits. Relevant policies are needed both in developed and developing countries.
- **Incentives and support** for development and implementation of policies in developing countries is needed.
- **International coordination of policies** by Parties in an appropriate forum will be most effective for areas such as technology R&D and deployment, and energy efficiency standards for internationally traded appliances and equipment.