

# GLOBAL RENEWABLE ENERGY STATUS

## FOCUS: TRACKING THE GLOBAL SOLAR MARKET

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## RENEWABLES 2015 GLOBAL STATUS REPORT

Launched at Vienna Energy Forum on 18 June 2015

Network of over 500 contributors, researchers & reviewers worldwide

The report features:

- Global Overview
- Market & Industry Trends
- Investment Flows
- Policy Landscape
- Distributed Renewable Energy for Energy Access
- Feature: Using Renewables for Climate Change Adaptation

The report covers:

- All renewable energy technologies
- The power, heating & cooling, and transport sector
- Energy Efficiency

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# A Decade Of Renewable Energy Growth Surpassing Expectations

Projected levels of renewable energy for 2020 were already surpassed by 2010.

**Global installed capacity and production from all renewable technologies have increased substantially.**

Significant cost reductions for most technologies.

**Supporting policies spread throughout the world.**

		START 2004	2013	2014
<b>INVESTMENT</b>				
New investment (annual) in renewable power and fuels	billion USD	45	232	270
<b>POWER</b>				
Renewable power capacity (total, not including hydro)	GW	85	560	657
Renewable power capacity (total, including hydro)	GW	800	1,578	1,712
 Hydropower capacity (total)	GW	715	1,018	1,055
 Bio-power capacity	GW	<36	88	93
 Bio-power generation	TWh	227	396	433
 Geothermal power capacity	GW	8.9	12.1	12.8
 Solar PV capacity (total)	GW	2.6	138	177
 Concentrating solar thermal power (total)	GW	0.4	3.4	4.4
 Wind power capacity (total)	GW	48	319	370
<b>HEAT</b>				
 Solar hot water capacity (total)	GW <sub>th</sub>	86	373	406
<b>TRANSPORT</b>				
 Ethanol production (annual)	billion litres	28.5	87.8	94
 Biodiesel production (annual)	billion litres	2.4	26.3	29.7

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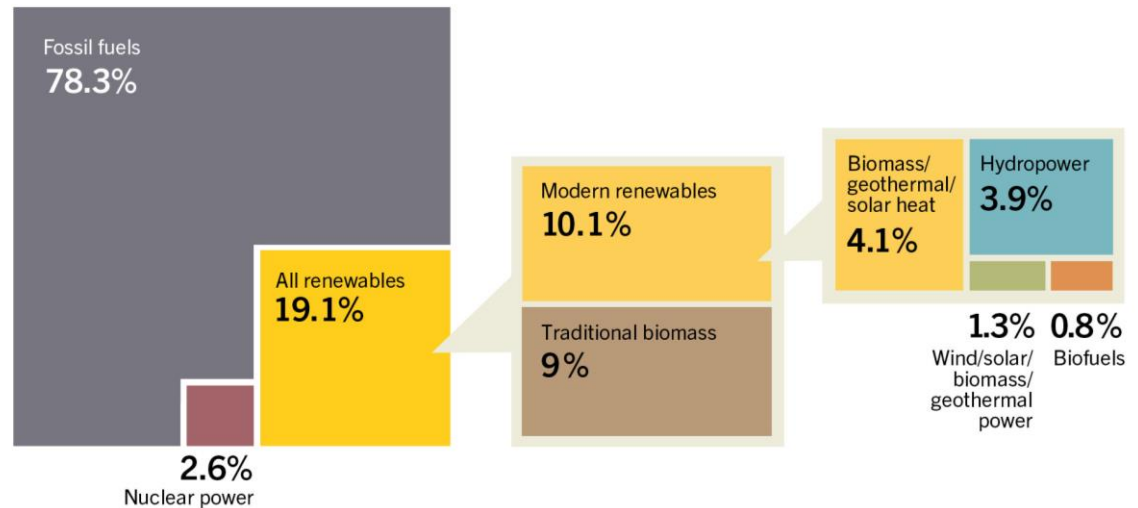
# Renewable Energy in the World

Renewable energy provided an estimated **19.1%** of global final energy consumption in 2013.

The share of **modern renewable energy** increased to 10.1%.

The share of **traditional biomass** was of 9%, same in 2013.

Estimated Renewable Energy Share of Global Final Energy Consumption, 2013



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# Renewable Energy “Champions” - annual investment/capacity additions

## ANNUAL INVESTMENT / NET CAPACITY ADDITIONS / PRODUCTION IN 2014

	1	2	3	4	5
Investment in renewable power and fuels (not including hydro > 50 MW)	<b>China</b>	United States	Japan	United Kingdom	Germany
Investment relative to annual GDP <sup>1</sup>	<b>Burundi</b>	Kenya	Honduras	Jordan	Uruguay
 Geothermal power capacity	<b>Kenya</b>	Turkey	Indonesia	Philippines	Italy
 Hydropower capacity	<b>China</b>	Brazil	Canada	Turkey	India
 Solar PV capacity	<b>China</b>	Japan	United States	United Kingdom	Germany
 CSP capacity	<b>United States</b>	India	–	–	–
 Wind power capacity	<b>China</b>	Germany	United States	Brazil	India
 Solar water heating capacity <sup>2</sup>	<b>China</b>	Turkey	Brazil	India	Germany
 Biodiesel production	<b>United States</b>	Brazil	Germany	Indonesia	Argentina
 Fuel ethanol production	<b>United States</b>	Brazil	China	Canada	Thailand

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# Renewable Energy “Champions” – total capacity

TOTAL CAPACITY OR GENERATION AS OF END-2014					
	1	2	3	4	5
<b>POWER</b>					
Renewable power (incl. hydro)	<b>China</b>	United States	Brazil	Germany	Canada
Renewable power (not incl. hydro)	<b>China</b>	United States	Germany	Spain / Italy	Japan / India
Renewable power capacity <i>per capita</i> (not incl. hydro) among the top 20 <sup>3</sup>	<b>Denmark</b>	Germany	Sweden	Spain	Portugal
🔌 Biopower generation	<b>United States</b>	Germany	China	Brazil	Japan
🔌 Geothermal power capacity	<b>United States</b>	Philippines	Indonesia	Mexico	New Zealand
⚡ Hydropower capacity <sup>4</sup>	<b>China</b>	Brazil	United States	Canada	Russia
⚡ Hydropower generation <sup>4</sup>	<b>China</b>	Brazil	Canada	United States	Russia
☀️ Concentrating solar thermal power (CSP)	<b>Spain</b>	United States	India	United Arab Emirates	Algeria
☀️ Solar PV capacity	<b>Germany</b>	China	Japan	Italy	United States
☀️ Solar PV capacity <i>per capita</i>	<b>Germany</b>	Italy	Belgium	Greece	Czech Republic
🌬️ Wind power capacity	<b>China</b>	United States	Germany	Spain	India
🌬️ Wind power capacity <i>per capita</i>	<b>Denmark</b>	Sweden	Germany	Spain	Ireland
<b>HEAT</b>					
☀️ Solar water collector capacity <sup>2</sup>	<b>China</b>	United States	Germany	Turkey	Brazil
☀️ Solar water heating collector capacity <i>per capita</i> <sup>2</sup>	<b>Cyprus</b>	Austria	Israel	Barbados	Greece
🔌 Geothermal heat capacity <sup>3</sup>	<b>China</b>	Turkey	Japan	Iceland	India
🔌 Geothermal heat capacity <i>per capita</i> <sup>3</sup>	<b>Iceland</b>	New Zealand	Hungary	Turkey	Japan

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# Solar Photovoltaics (PV) – total global capacity

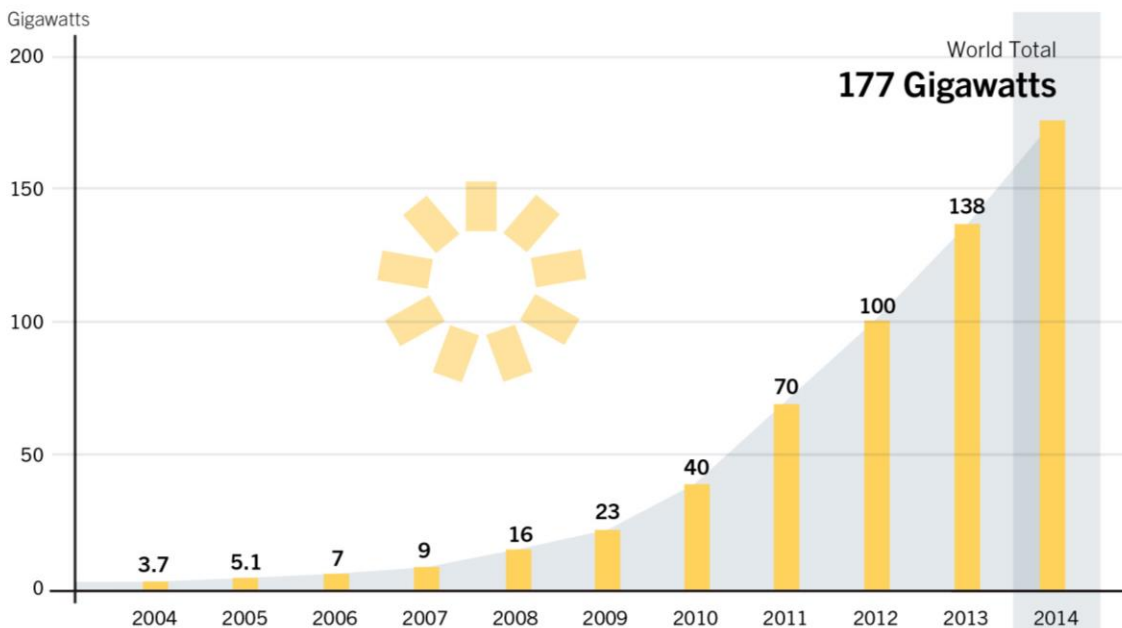
Solar PV:

- **+40 GW** added
- Total capacity: **177 GW**

Top three markets, **China, Japan and the United States**

Asia eclipsed all other markets, accounting for almost **60%** of global additions.

Solar PV Global Capacity, 2004–2014



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# Solar Photovoltaics (PV) – top countries

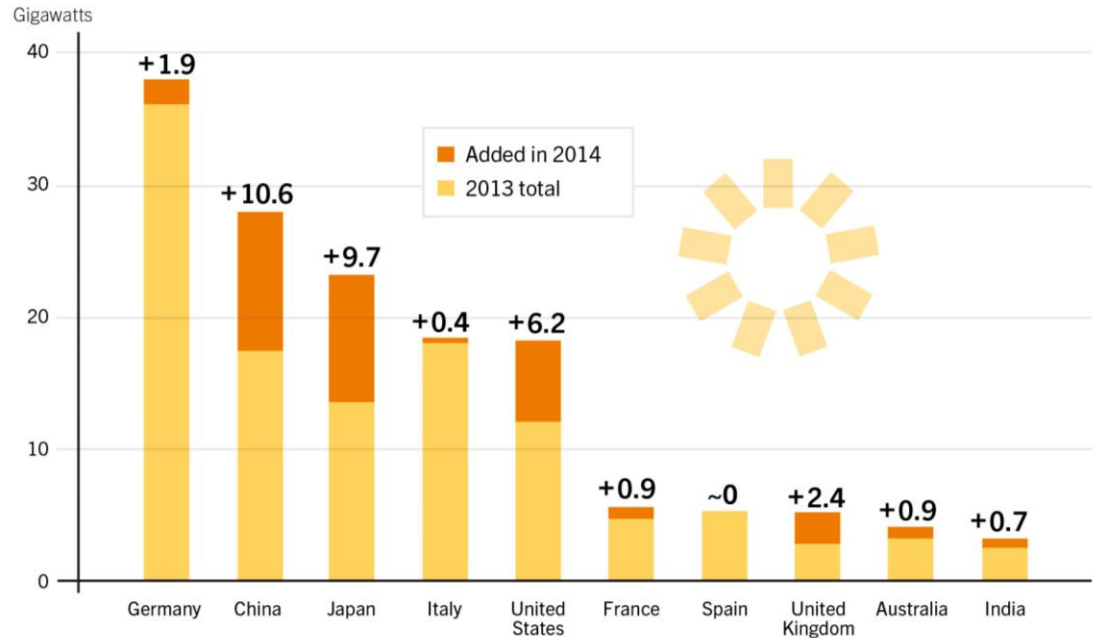
China accounted for a **third** of global capacity additions, followed by Japan & the U.S

Annual investment/net capacity additions in 2013:

- China
- Japan
- United States
- Germany
- United Kingdom



Solar PV Capacity and Additions, Top 10 Countries, 2014



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## Concentrating Solar Power (CSP) – global capacity

Total CSP capacity: **4.4 GW**

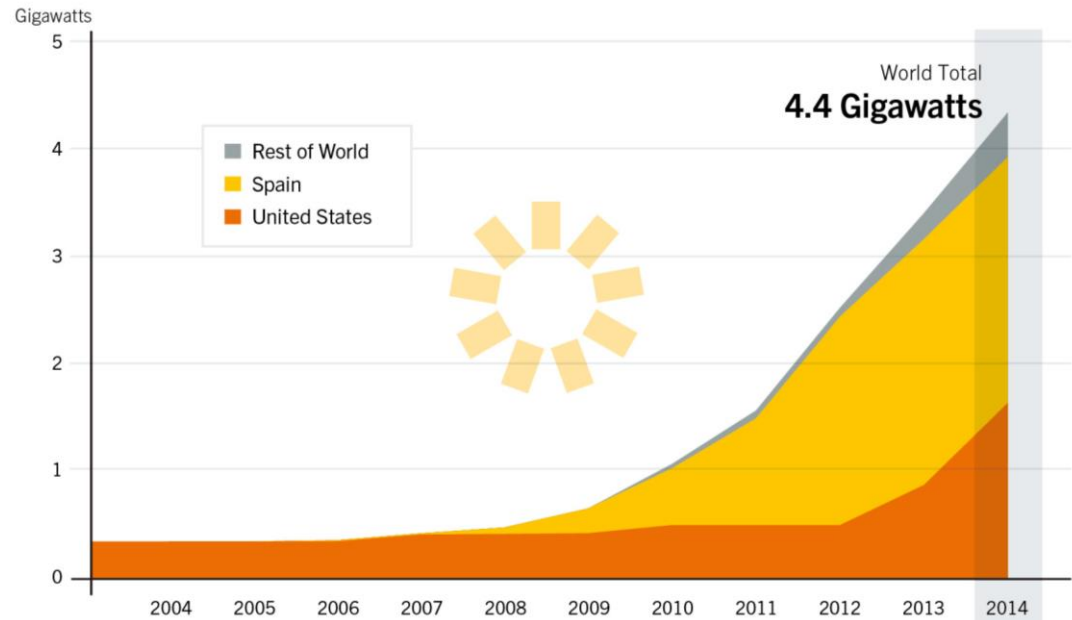
With **+0.9 GW** added, this represents an increase of **27%**.

### Trends:

Markets continue to shift to **developing countries**.

Diversification of the CSP technology landscape

Concentrating Solar Thermal Power Global Capacity, by Country or Region, 2004–2014



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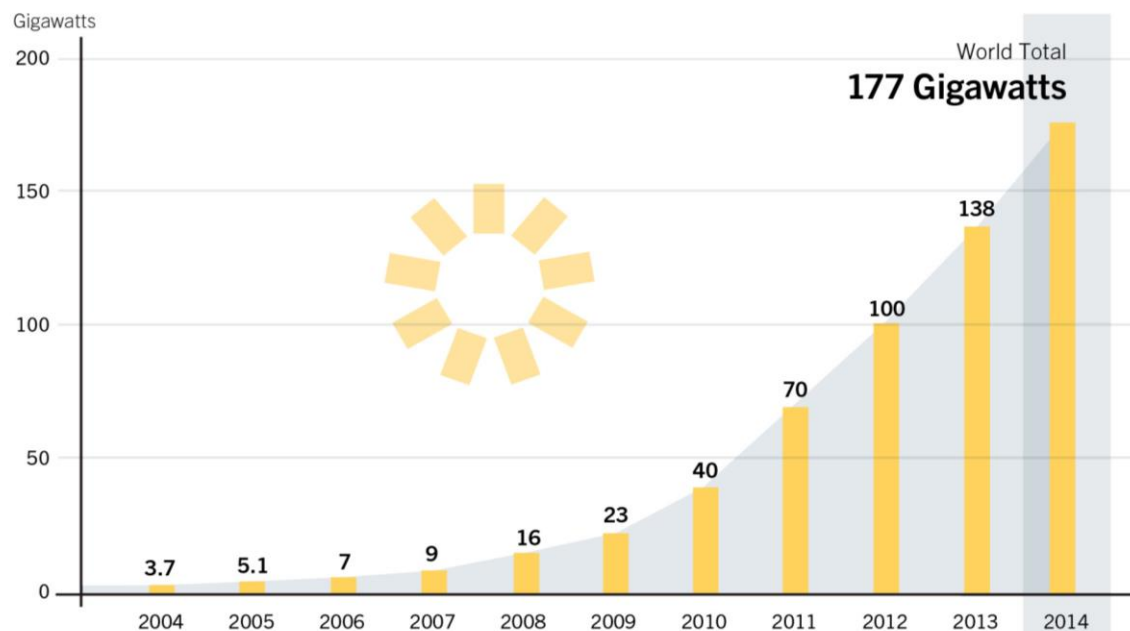
# Solar Thermal Heating & Cooling

**Cumulative capacity** of all collector types in operation rose by a net **44 GWth** for a year-end total of **374.7 GWth**

## 2013 Trends:

- focus on glazed water collectors
- slowdown in market growth continued in 2014
- China seeing a trend away from market to commercial

Solar PV Global Capacity, 2004–2014



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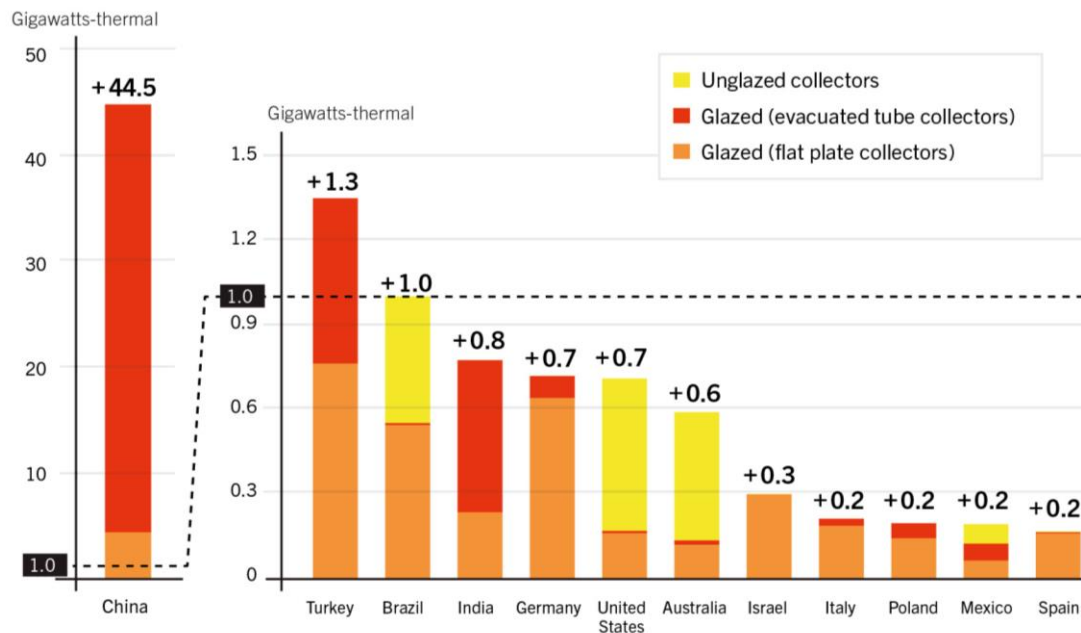


# Solar Thermal Heating & Cooling – additions

China maintained multi-year lead in the global solar heating industry

China added a capacity of **36.7 GW<sub>th</sub>** of collectors

Solar Water Heating Collectors Additions, Top 12 Countries for Capacity Added, 2013



Additions represent gross capacity added.

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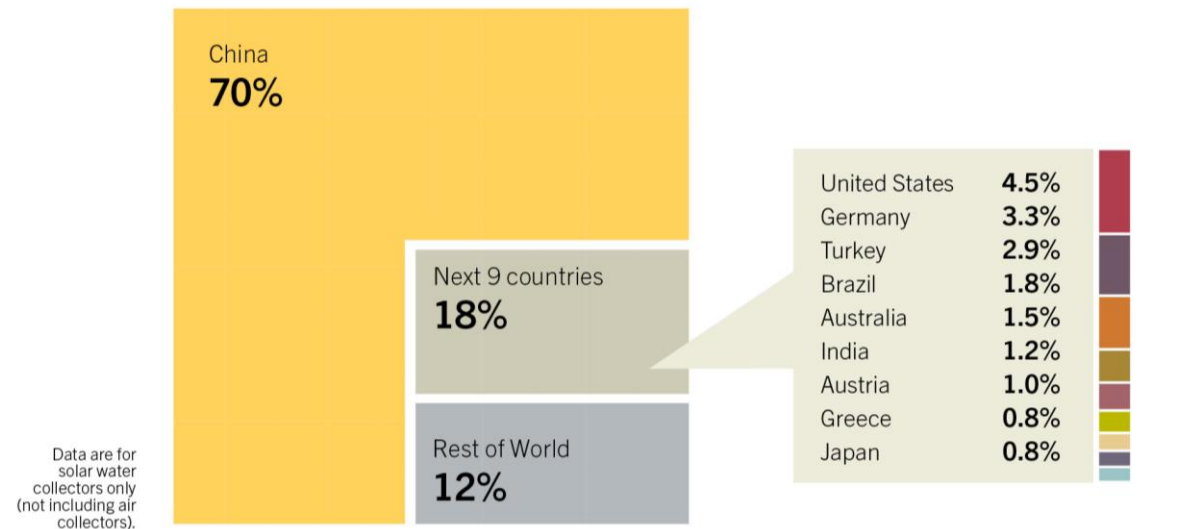
# Solar Thermal Heating & Cooling – global capacity

China accounts for nearly **81%** of the global market.

Total solar water heating capacity per capita:

1. Cyprus
2. Austria
3. Israel
4. Barbados
5. Greece

Solar Water Heating Collectors Global Capacity, Shares of Top 10 Countries and Rest of World, 2013



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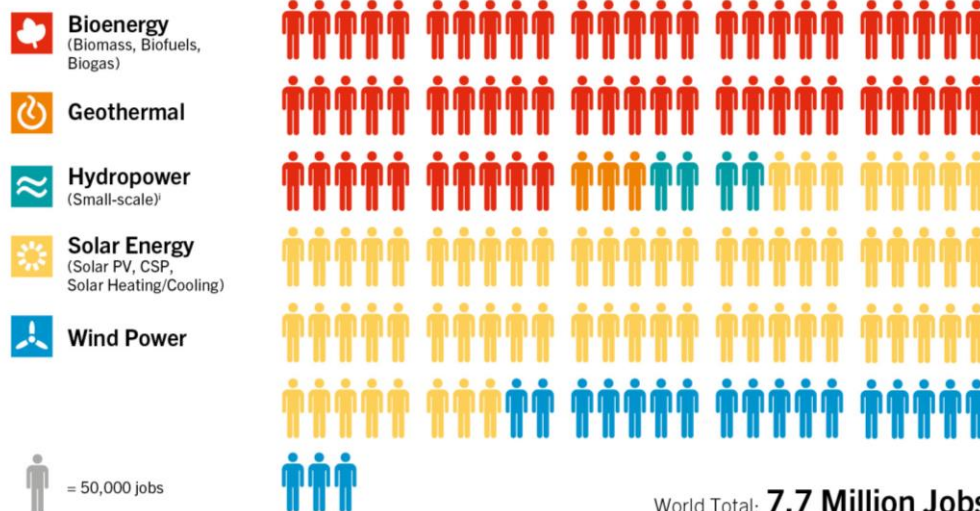
# Jobs in Renewable Energy

Global employment continued to increase

An estimated **7.7 million** direct or indirect jobs in the renewable energy industry

Global wind power employment crossed the 1 million jobs threshold in 2014

## Jobs in Renewable Energy, 2014



i - Employment information for large-scale hydropower not included.

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Source: IRENA

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# Global Investment in Renewable Energy

Global new investment estimated USD **USD 270.2 billion in 2014**

(including hydropower 301 billion)

Reasons for the increase:

- Increase in solar power installations in China and Japan
- Investment in solar power up **25%**
- Record investment in offshore wind projects in Europe

Global New Investment in Renewable Power and Fuels, Developed and Developing Countries, 2004–2014



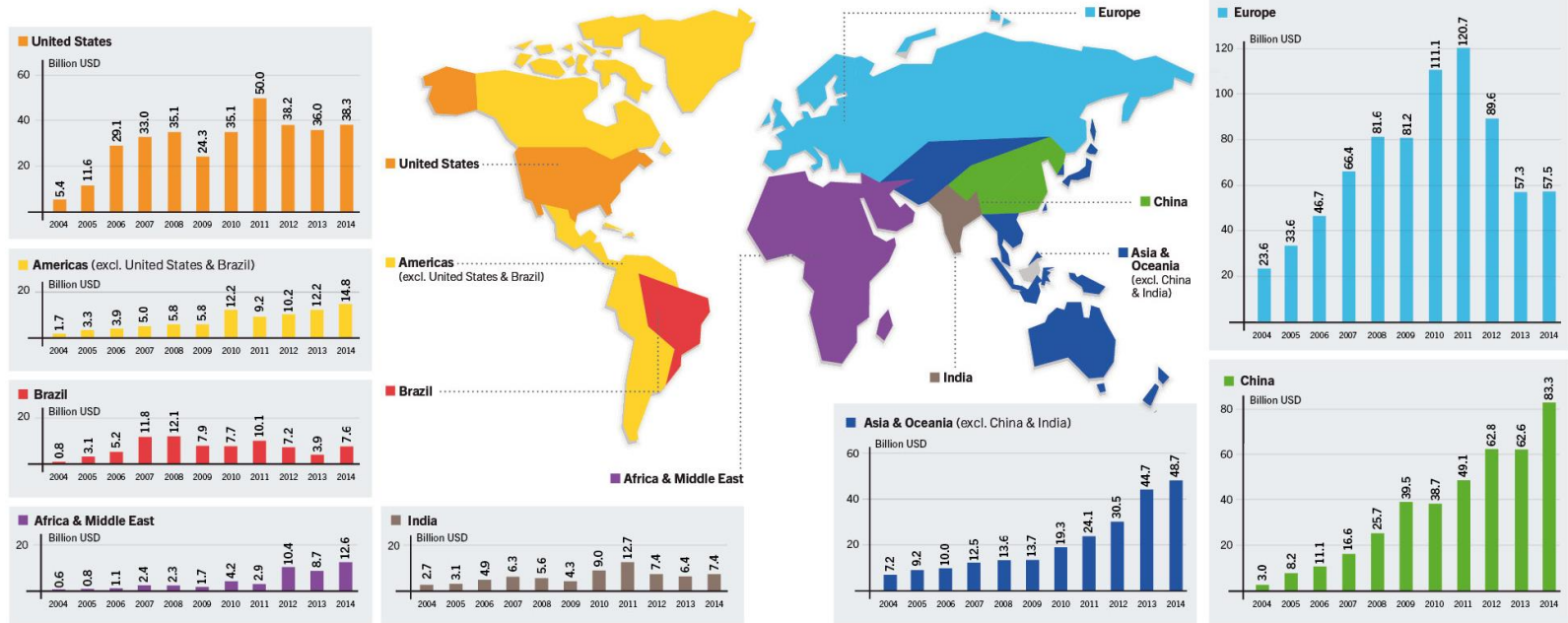
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Source: Frankfurt School–UNEP and BNEF



# Global New Investment in Renewable Power and Fuels, by Region, 2004–2013



Data include government and corporate R&D.

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**Developed Countries:** Annual investment in 2014: **USD 138.9 billion** (increase of 3 % compared to 2013)

**Developing Countries:** annual investment in 2014: **USD 131.3 billion** (increase of 36% compared to 2013)



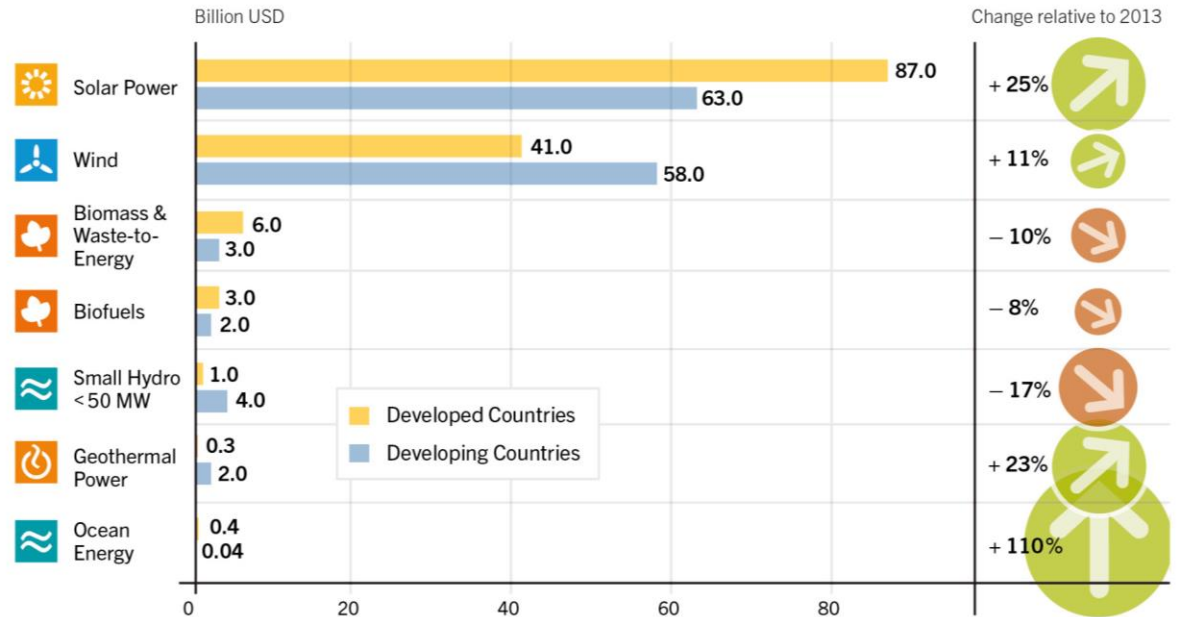


# Global Investment in Renewable Energy by Technology

Solar power - leading sector for money committed during 2014, receiving more than **55%** (USD 149.6 billion) of total new investment in renewable power and fuels

Wind power followed with **USD 99.5 billion**

Global New Investment in Renewable Energy by Technology, Developed and Developing Countries, 2014



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# Renewable Energy Policy Landscape

		START 2004 <sup>1</sup>	2013	2014
<b>POLICIES</b>				
Countries with policy targets	#	48	144	164
States/provinces/countries with feed-in policies	#	34	106	108
States/provinces/countries with RPS/quota policies	#	11	99	99
Countries with tendering/ public competitive bidding <sup>5</sup>	#	n/a	55	60
Countries with heat obligation/mandate	#	n/a	19	21
States/provinces/countries with biofuels mandates <sup>6</sup>	#	10	63	64

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At least **164 countries** had **renewable energy targets**.

At least **145 countries** had **renewable energy policies** in place.

Most policies focus on power: mainly feed-in-tariffs and renewable portfolio standards.

Recent trends: Merging of components from different policy mechanisms.



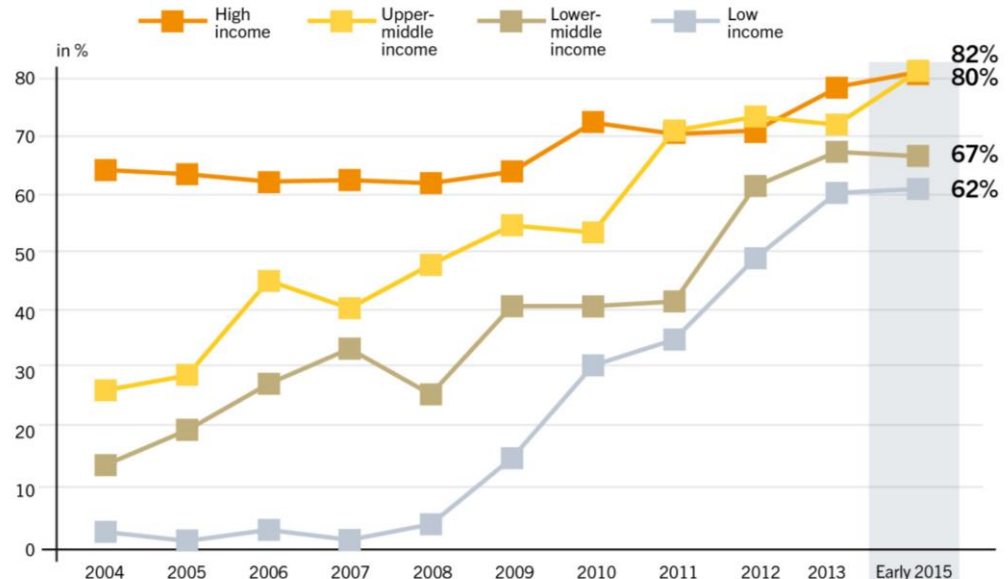
# Evolution of Renewable Energy Policy Over Time (2004 – 2014)

At least **164** countries had **renewable energy targets**.

At least **145** countries had **renewable energy support policies** in place.

Low-income, lower-middle income as well as upper-middle income countries feature fastest policy uptake during the last decade.

Share of Countries with Renewable Energy Policies, by Income Group, 2004–Early 2015

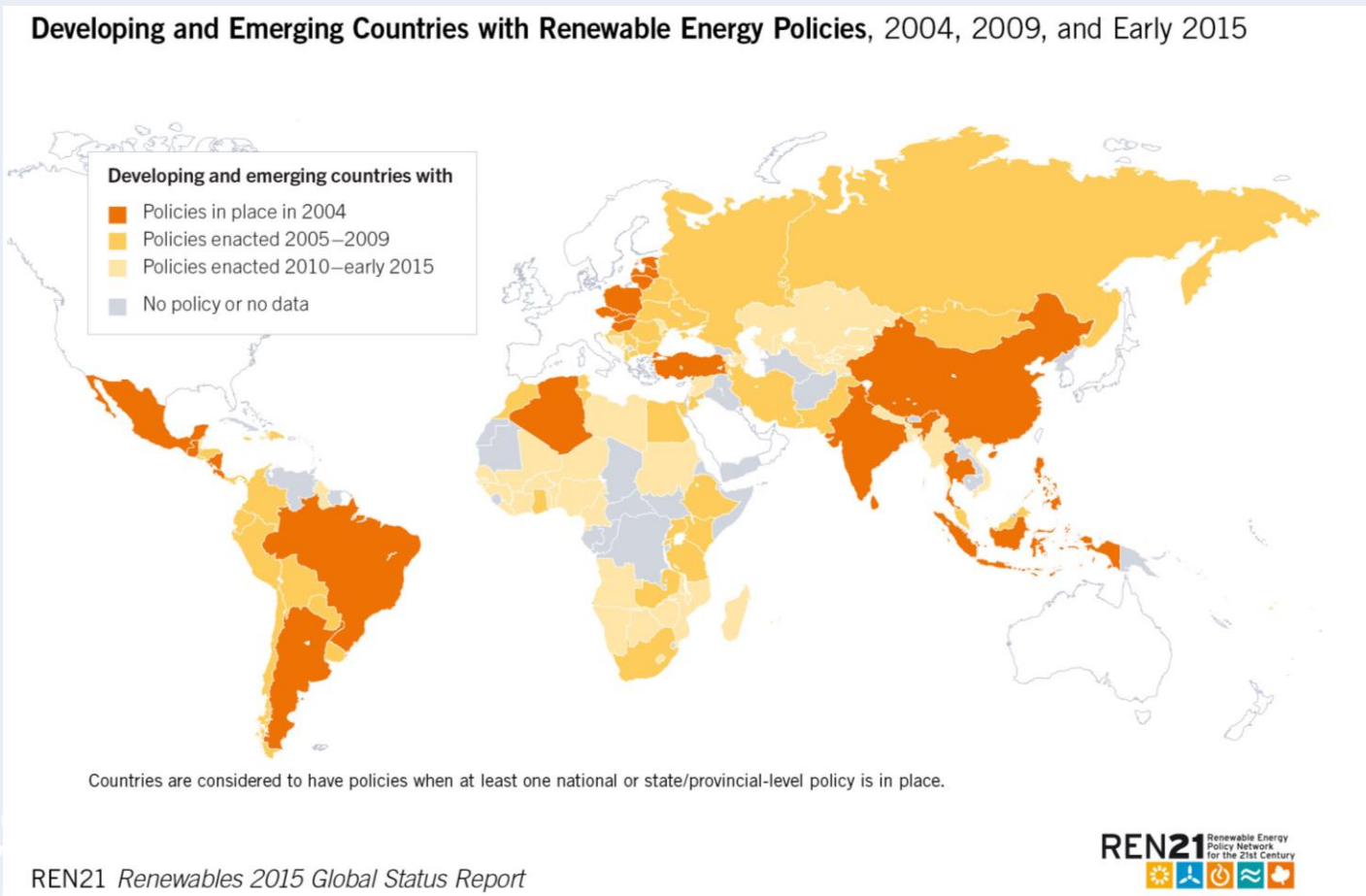


Declines in income group shares in specific years are due primarily to countries moving into new income groups. Over the period 2004–2014, 80 countries made a total of 108 changes in income groups.

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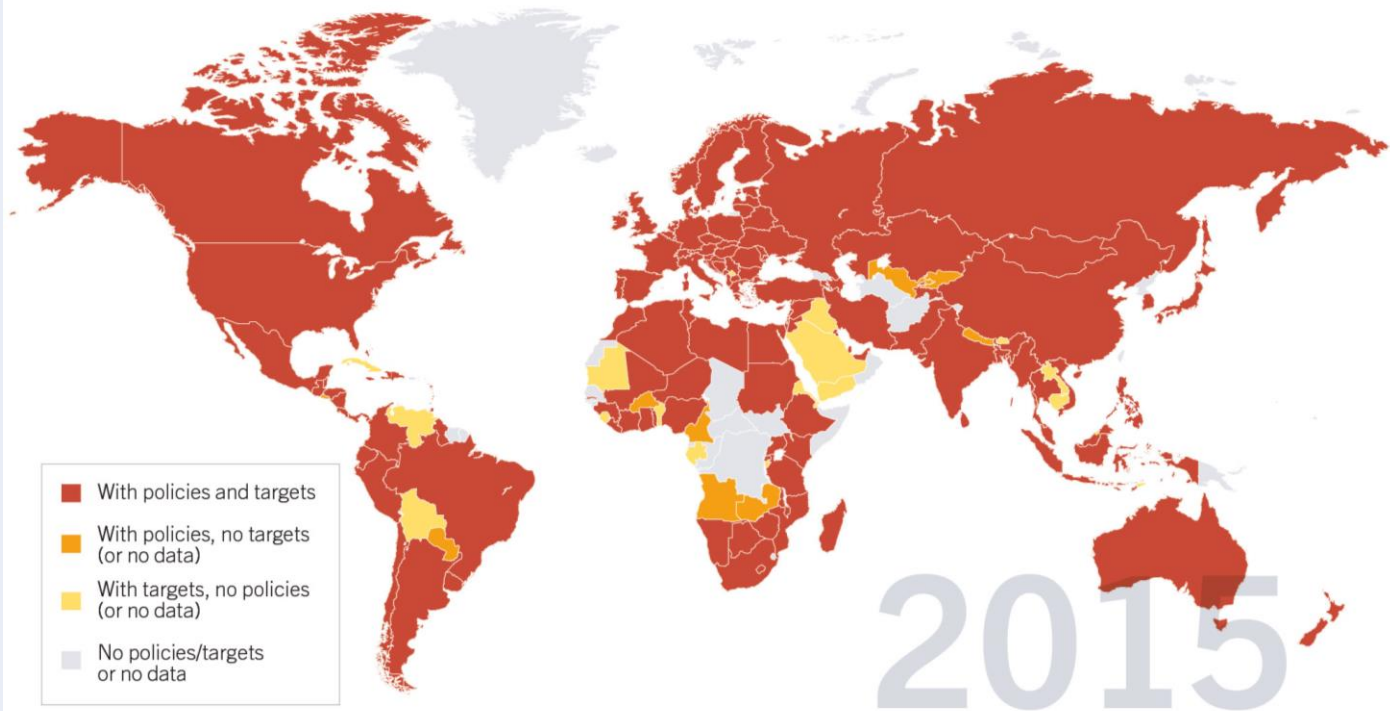


With prices of renewable energy technologies coming down, there is a **steep policy uptake** in developing countries.



# Renewable Energy Policy Landscape

Countries with Renewable Energy Policies and Targets, Early 2015



Countries are considered to have policies when at least one national or state/provincial-level policy is in place.

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# Renewable Energy Policy Landscape

Number of Countries with Renewable Energy Policies, by Type, 2011–Early 2015

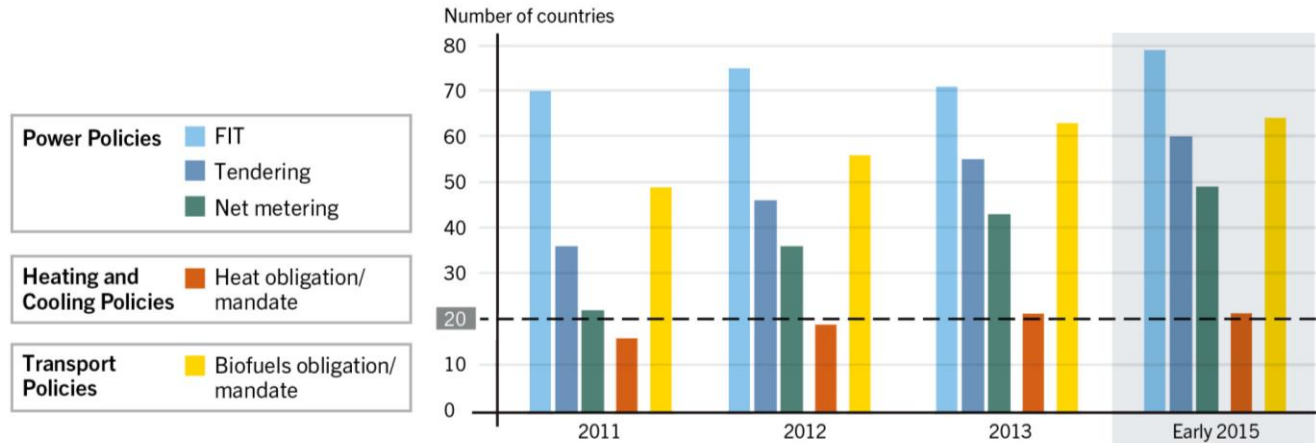


Figure does not show all policy types in use. Countries are considered to have policies when at least one national or state/provincial-level policy is in place.

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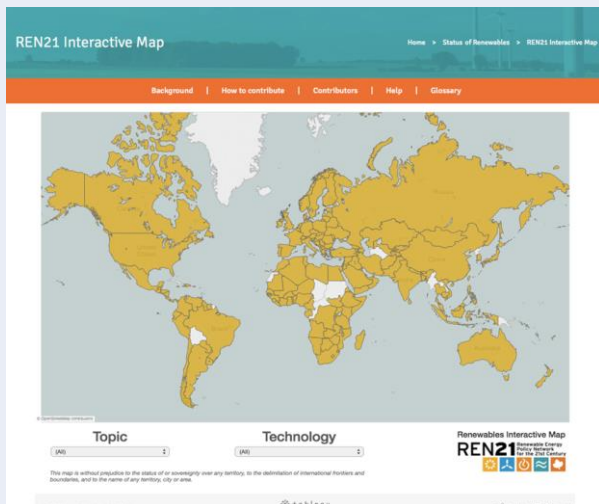
**Power sector:** the main focus of policies over the last years

**FITs** were the most popular type of policy

**Net metering or net billing policies** were in force in 48 countries as of early 2015, increase of approx. 220% . (2010: 15 countries, 2015: 48 countries)



# New REN21 Renewables Interactive Map



Featuring information from REN21's latest reports, including **GSR2015**.

Data on the Map is **constantly being updated**, and represents the most up-to-date information on renewable energy.

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## UNECE Renewable Energy Status Report



Regional status report focusing on **Central Asia, Caucasus, Eastern Europe**.

Data collection ongoing

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## Conclusions

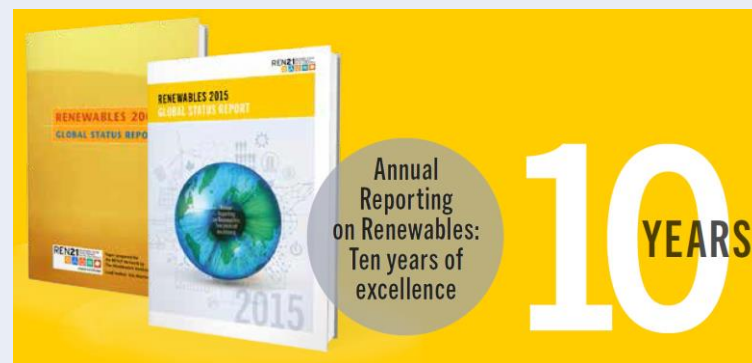
Economic and CO2 growth has “decoupled” – marking a record year for renewables.

The past decade has set the wheels in motion for a global transition to renewables, but a concerted and sustained effort is needed to achieve it:

- Establish and strengthen institutional, financial, legal, and regulatory support mechanisms
- Long-term and stable policy frameworks, which can adapt to changing environment, to sustain and increase investment levels
- Greater attention to the heating and cooling and the transport sector and “energy system thinking”
- Improve information on distributed renewable energy markets in developing countries and improve access to up-front finance



**See you at SAIREC 2015**  
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# Thank You!

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