



EU Climate and Energy Package: 20-20-20 The impact on European wind power

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Global market 1991-2008





Annual market 2008: €35 billion



Nothing unusual about wind market growth



How fast can you build 27.1 GW



Global annual investments in wind and nuclear 1999-2008 (GW)



Source: EWEA and IAEA

EU energy mix is changing





Source: Platts Powervision, EWEA, EPIA

Wind largest source of new capacity in 2008



Source: Platts Powervision, EWEA, EPIA

Wind energy avoided €6.5 bn in fuel cost in 2008



Avoided fuel cost from wind - International Energy Agency (IEA) fuel prices



Cumulative wind power installations (end 2008)





Source: EWEA, Pure Power (November 2009)

Wind's share of electricity in EU-27







- 20% 30% Reduction in GHG
- 20% Renewable energy share
- 20% Energy efficiency (Not legally binding)

20% renewable energy by 2020



20% Renewable Energy by 2020 requires:
34% electricity from RES
25% heating from RES

- 10% biofuels from RES

Electricity 2005: 15% from renewables incl. 10% large hydro and 2.5% wind

Excluding large hydro the share of renewable electricity must increase fivefold from 5% to app. 25%, in 15 years



How Much Wind Power in 2020?

European Commission

- Renewable Energy Roadmap, 2006 12% (180 GW - 9.6 GW / year)
- Investing in Low Carbon Technologies, 2009 20% (260 GW – 16 GW / year)

EWEA

14-17% (230 GW – 13.75 GW / year)

Emerging Energy Research (EER)

• 221 GW (13 GW / year)

BTM Consult

• 312 GW (20.5 GW / year)







Example: wind in the EU



Gas, coal and oil plants produce on av. 666 gCO₂/kWh

Wind production EU 2008: 137 TWh 2012: 234 TWh 2020: 582 TWh avoids 91 Mt CO_2 146 Mt CO_2 333 Mt CO_2

Kyoto Protocol EU reduction target 2008-2012 = 7.8% \Rightarrow 450 MtCO₂e per year below 1990 emissions

EU Climate package target by 2020 = 20% → 1160 MtCO₂e in 2020 below 1990 emissions

Source: EWEA, Pure Power (March 2008), DG TREN: Trends to 2030







From 2008-2020, wind will avoid 28% of the EU cumulative reduction efforts





EU 2020 – Wind power versus car emission EWEA

EU fleet - 214 million cars

2012 (EU) Wind avoids 146 MT CO_2 , eq to:

→46 million cars
→20% of EU car fleet

2020 (EU) Wind avoids 168 MT CO_2 , eq to:

→ 168 million cars
→ 80% of EU car fleet



EU importing 54% of its energy – and rising



		Years of domestic production
Oil	0.5% - 0.8%	7.7–7.8 years
Gas	1.4% - 2%	14.4–14.8 years
Coal	3.5%	50 years
Uranium	1.9%	

Source: European Commission, 2008

Three major global challenges...



- Energy Crisis (2017 Oil future contact \$99/barrel)
- Environmental crisis (IPCC: 25-40% reduction by 2020)
- Financial crisis

... and three European challenges

- App. 350 GW of new electricity generating capacity must be constructed before 2020 (50% of current total)
- Increasing energy imports at higher cost
- Ineffective competition in EU power markets and lack of power infrastructure investments





- Cost of wind power is unaffected by changes in carbon and fuel cost – it can be predicted with great certainty: low-risk investment
- Think of wind energy as the government bond of power sector investments
- Need for consistent economic analysis of costs, benefits and risks of each power generation technology



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Thank you for your attention



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