Effective Green Financing: What have we learned so far?

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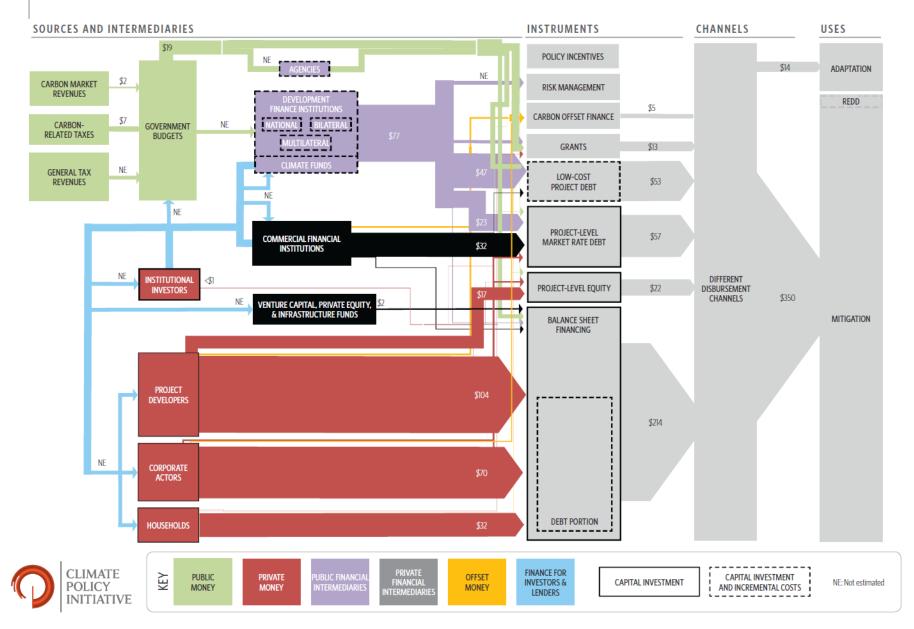
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The Global Climate Finance Landscape in 2010/2011 (USD billions)



San Giorgio Group - Lessons Learned





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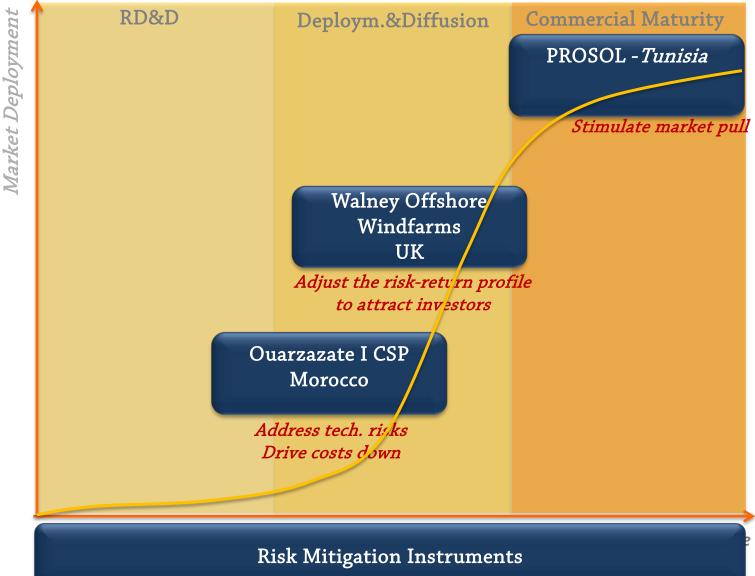
The San Giorgio Group assembles financial intermediaries and institutions actively engaged in green, low-emissions finance

- Core framing inquires
 - What is the **role and reasons** for public finance?
 - What are **the best delivery mechanisms** for public monies?
 - How can international and national public investment flows be aligned with each other and with private investments?
 - How do we **ensure learning**?

⇒Effective investment & scaling up

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Case studies on Technology Continuum



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Prosol Tunisia

Goal

• To accelerate the **penetration of Solar Water Heaters** in the **residential sector by engaging local commercial banks**

Challenges

- High up-front cost
- Distorting subsidies
- Knowledge gaps

- \rightarrow Lack of consumer financing
- \rightarrow Perverse policy incentives
- \rightarrow Risk aversion

Measures



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Goal

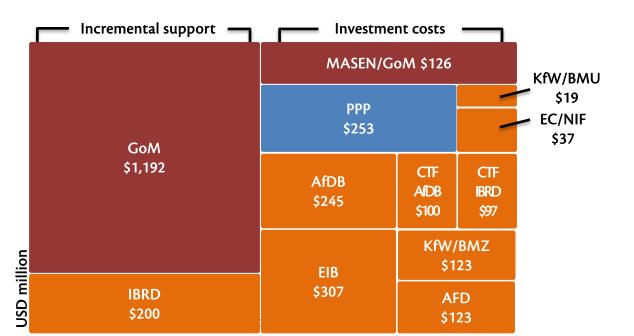
• To develop a large scale Concentrated Solar Power plant that can pave the way for a portfolio of CSP in Morocco and the region

Challenges

- Early development stage tech
- High capital cost
- Multiple partners

- \rightarrow viability gap
- \rightarrow lack of commercial finance
- \rightarrow cooperation & coordination





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Walney Offshore Windfarms

Goal

 To attract financial investors to take minority stakes in the World's largest offshore windfarms (GBP 1.3 bn)

Challenges

- Cost of offshore wind
- Risk of offshore wind
- Difficulties in financing

- \rightarrow Technology and project-specific
- \rightarrow Construction & operations
- \rightarrow Utilities / project finance

Instruments



Early lessons

- Well articulated public policies are necessary to transition toward low carbon systems of production and can be delivered through multiple instruments.
- Well designed resource injections can alter investment risks and change private behaviors at acceptable cost.
- New risks hamper scale up of green finance and call for a new suite of risk mitigation instruments.
- The need for public resources to leverage private sector funds is one factor, but effectiveness needs to be considered across all dimensions
- Green investment should focus on emerging economies, where energy demand is growing and opportunities exist to install green infrastructure.

CPI's Climate Finance work – next steps

CPI Climate Finance Project:

- critical role of private finance
- need to address limited understanding of
 - the effectiveness of climate finance efforts
 - the effective balance of public and private capital
 - how to trigger a transformation

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A better picture of climate finance & tracking the effectiveness of tracking Landscape 2012 German Landscape

Systematic case study work What role for public finance? What makes an investment successful , replicable and scalable?

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Giorgio Group Methodology: What is effective climate finance? How to measure effectiveness?



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Further Reading

- SGG case studies may be found at: <u>http://climatepolicyinitiative.org/publication/san-giorgio-group-case-studies/</u>
- Information about the San Giorgio Group may be found at: <u>http://climatepolicyinitiative.org/venice/san-giorgio-group/</u>
- The Landscape of Climate Finance 2012 may be found at: http://climatepolicyinitiative.org/venice/publication/globallandscape-of-climate-finance-2012/
- The German Landscape of Climate Finance may be found at: http://climatepolicyinitiative.org/berlin/publication/germanlandscape-of-climate-finance/