# Renewables Working Together: Case Study of Iceland



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- Background on IHA
- Overview of hydropower;
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   case study on Iceland;
- Discussion with participants.

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### IHA's activities

#### Defining hydropower's evolving role in green growth

(supported by the Hydropower Development Strategy Committee)

# Measuring the sustainability performance of hydropower

(supported by the Hydropower Sustainability Strategy Committee)

#### Sharing knowledge

(supported by the Hydropower Communications Committee)



### Multiple roles for hydropower in water and energy

- Electricity for heat, power and transport
- Energy storage
- Water storage for
  - Flood pretection/drought adaptation
  - Irrigation
  - Water supply and Sanitation
  - Navigation
    - **Downstream flow regime**
  - etc.



# 2011 Deployment

• 970 GW of worldwide capacity

#### 25 GW of new hydropower added in 2011, increasing capacity by nearly 3%

- Globally hydropower generated 3,400TWh of electricity in 2011. China alone produced 663TWh followed by Brazil (450TWh)
- China, Brazil, United States, Canada and Russia comprise the top 5 hydropower markets by capacity

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FIGURE 9. HYDROPOWER TOTAL WORLD CAPACITY, TOP FIVE COUNTRIES, 2011



# 970 GW TOTAL GLOBAL CAPACITY

FIGURE 10. HYDROPOWER ADDED CAPACITY, TOP FIVE COUNTRIES, 2011



# Synergies between renewable energy sources – case study on Iceland



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### Case study: Iceland

#### Electricity in Iceland

- Iceland has a unique position since virtually all its electricity is generated from renewable sources.
- Total electricity production in 2010 was 17.1 TWh from hydro power and geothermal sources.
- It is estimated that the economically harvestable potential from these sources is somewhere around 30 - 50 TWh annually.
- The domestic market demand was fulfilled years ago and all new projects now sell their output to power intensive industries, typically through long term Power Purchase Agreements (PPA).
- Due to the low cost of electricity compared to the rest of Europe, power intensive industries such as aluminum companies have built plants in Iceland in the past 40 years.
- Power intensive projects in the following industries have been built in Iceland:
  - Primary aluminum production.
  - Ferrosilicon and foundry alloys.
  - Etching of aluminum foils.
  - Data Centers.
- Different types of power intensive industries are being developed in Iceland:
  - Silicon metal and poly silicon.
  - Methanol production.
  - Large scale greenhouse.

Source:			
Hydro Power	12.592	GWh	73,8%
Geothermal Power	4.465	GWh	26,2%
Fossil fuel	2	GWh	0,0%
Total:	17.059	GWh	100%

Uses:			
Domestic market	3.140	GWh	18.4%
Heavy Industries	13.209	GWh	77,4%
Other (losses)	711	GWh	4,1%
Total:	17.059	GWh	100%

Electricity generation and usage in Iceland in 2010, www.os.is

### Icelandic geothermal progress

Iceland: Status of geothermal power plant development 1969-2012





### Iceland's geothermal and hydropower

Iceland: Geothermal plant produce 27,3% of the nation's energy



Geothermal heating meets the heating and hot water requirements of approximateli 90% of all buildings in Iceland.

#### Icelandic hydropower and geothermal - Examples

#### Iceland: Geothermal power plants



Kárahnjúkar HP plant: 690 MW In operation since 2009



Hellisheiði CHP plant: 303 MW e. 133 MW th: Future plan +267 MW th. Utility: Orkuveita Reykjavíkur. In operation since 2006. Wells 71. 5.10.2012



Svartsengi (Blue Lagoon) CHP plant: 76 MW e. 100 MW th. Utility: HS-Orka. In operation since 1977. Wells 24.



Burfell HP plant: 270 MW In operation since 1972



Reykjanesvirkjun: 100 MW e. Utility: HS-Orka. In operation since 2006. Wells 28.

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### New projects in Iceland

Iceland 2012: Geothermal and hydro projects at some stage of development



Estimated total investment: 995 MW x 3 million US\$/MW = 3.000 million US\$ Signing of new PPA's is of most importance for time settings



### Domestic energy costs in Iceland

#### Utility cost of households

Comparison of utility cost per year in the Nordic countries

based on 100 m<sup>2</sup> apartment, consumption of 4,800 kWh electricity and 240 m<sup>3</sup> water



## Smart power systems



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