

RES market and current legal framework

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MAIN TOPICS

- PV market development in BG
- Legal framework amendments and perspectives
- Development after 01.07.2012











MEMBERS

• 16 September 2009 – 17 founding members













MEMBERS

• 10 October 2012 – 130 members













WHO ARE WE?

- Over 130 members
- Local & global companies
- Public communication
- Policymaking



OUR GOALS

- Positive investment framework (legal, financial, technical etc.)
- Job creation & transfer of know-how
- Sustainable market development

















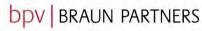


































































































































































PV – PART OF A BIGGER PICTURE



Since 2009:

- 5 Vice-Ministers of Energy
- 6 CEOs of NEC (National Electric Company)
- 3 CEOs of BEH (Bulgarian Energy Holding)
- Several Directors in Energy Ministry











BIGGER PICTURE (2) – CHANGES IN MARCH/APRIL 2012

- New Minster of Economy and Energy & new Vice Minister for Energy
- CEO of NEC became CEO of BEH Position at NEC is vacant













PV MARKET DEVELOPMENT IN BG (1) – BACKGROUND

Slow start in 2008-2009

• BPVA since Sep. 2009

Boom of new capacities since Q3 2011

• Today ???

1 MWp

total of < 25 MWp in 2010

apprx. 120 MWp in 2011





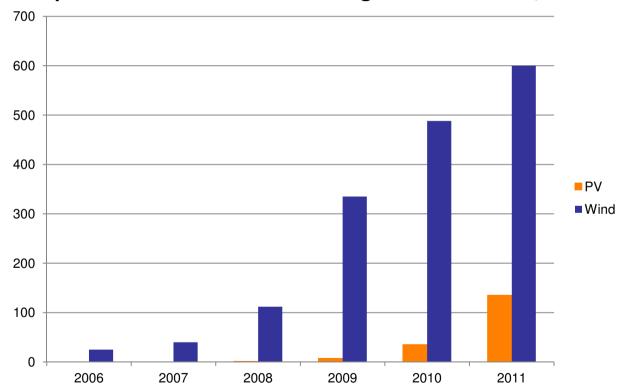






PV MARKET DEVELOPMENT IN BG (2) – BACKGROUND

Installed capacities for PV and Wind in Bulgaria 2007 – 2012, MW



Source: Report of the Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism on RES development in Bulgaria





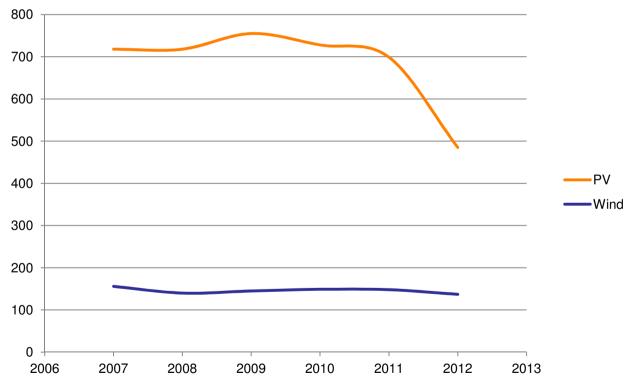






PV MARKET DEVELOPMENT IN BG (3) – BACKGROUND

FiT for PV and wind: 2006-2012, BGN/MWh



Exchange rate: EUR – 1,95583 BGN











LEGAL FRAMEWORK - RAESBA

• RAESBA (2008-2011)

Pro:

- Positive for investors;
- attractive FiT for 25 years;
- easy grid connection

Contra:

- FiT not fixed;
- PV non-bankable;
- virtual grid overload



Effects: Soaring pipeline but almost no PV plants; secundary market for ,projects'











LEGAL FRAMEWORK – ZEVI vol. 1

RES act (ZEVI) vol. 1 (05.2011 – 04.2012)

Pro:

- FiT fixed for 20 years at Act 15 (technical completion);
- PV bankable despite 31% degression of FiT in July 2011
- Existing projects interesting for investors construction boom

Contra:

- Grid access for new projects blocked;
- max. yearly capacities from 01.07.2012
- Confusion due to unclear stipulation

Effects: Boom of constructions since Q3 2011 – apprx. 120 MWp in 2011; No new development











LEGAL FRAMEWORK – ZEVI vol. 2

RES act (ZEVI) vol. 2 – effective 10.04.2012

Less than 6 months after adoption of ZEVI further changes proposed by Government

Reasons:

- Too many grid connection contracts (supposedly around 2000 MWp only PV);
- Boom of PV projects under construction (supposedly 250 600 MWp)

Effects: Change of rules for projects under construction; Unclear perspectives for utility scale PV











ZEVI vol. 2 – 2012 and beyond

Projects under construction:

- FiT secured at commissioning (compared to ,technical completion' in ZEVI vol. 1)
- State acceptance commission max. time commissioning 30 days (up to 44 days vol. 1)
- Introduction of new set-up for securing FiT when different phases of grid connection

New PV projects:

- Positive for rooftop PV (<30 kWp & <200 kWp) simplified procedure
- Restrictive grid connection procedure for new projects max. yearly grid capacity (cap)
- Preliminary contracts extended according to 10 year's grid development plans





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