Renewable Energy Promotion Policies in Chinese Taipei

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Current Development of Renewables in Chinese Taipei
Conventional Hydropower

- Total hydro power capacity of 2,081.3 MW, of which the Public utilities (Taipower) accounted for 98% of large hydro power plants (2,042.2 MW), privately owned 39.1 MW only

Wind Power

- There are 318 onshore wind turbines commissioned, totalling 630.3 MW in capacity, enough to power approximate 360 thousand households per year.
Current Development of Renewables (2/3)

- PV: 426.0 MW installed

  - Bureau of Energy, MOEA funds many ongoing deployment programs: Solar City, Solar Top, Solar Campus, Emergency Systems in Remote Areas or Isolated Islands, Demo Farms, Solar Communities, Bidding Procedure of Solar Power Equipment, etc.

BIPV demonstration system

The Main Stadium of The World Games 2009 Kaohsiung: 1 MW
Current Development of Renewables (3/3)

- **Biomass power: 740.5 MW**
  - Municipal Solid Waste Incineration: 624.4 MW (25 plants)
  - Biogas: 19.1 MW (4 landfills)
  - Waste from Industries and Agriculture: 97 MW
  - Annual Power Generation: 3.36 TWh

- **Solar Water Heaters**
  - 1.45 million m² of heat collectors installed from years 2000 to 2013, effective households penetration rate 3.46% (around 286 thousand households)
  - Ranked No. 5 globally for installed density (land area based)
  - Annual Energy Production: 98 million litres oil equivalent

- **Biofuels**
  - Biodiesel: Mandatory B1 since July 2008, B2 on June 2010 (*temporarily suspended for policy review*)
  - Bioethanol: E3 Gasohol Programme in Taipei and Kaohsiung Cities
  - Annual Consumption: 100 thousand kilolitres of biodiesel, over 7 thousand kilolitres of bioethanol.
Chinese Taipei’s New Renewable Energy Policy
## Chinese Taipei’s New Energy Policy

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<td>2010.05</td>
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# Installation of Renewable Energy

- The installed capacity of renewable energy was **3,769 MW** at the end of 2013.
- Targeted renewable power generation capacity is **13.75 GW** by 2030.

> Almost tripled compared to 2013 level

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<td>Solar PV</td>
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<td>745</td>
<td>768</td>
<td>813</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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<td>6,574</td>
<td>9,933</td>
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<td>Capacity (%)</td>
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<td>Power Generation(%)</td>
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<td>6.9</td>
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Source: Bureau of Energy, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Chinese Taipei
Mechanism of Feed-in Tariffs (1/2)

• In order to systematically promote renewable energy, in July of 2009, Chinese Taipei promulgated the *Renewable Energy Development Act*. The core strategy of the Act is a Feed-in-Tariff system.

• A Committee is formed to decide the calculation formula and feed-in tariffs. Tariffs and formula should be *reviewed annually*, referring to *technical advancement, cost variation, goal achievement status*, etc.
  - no degression system in place

• Tariffs shall not be lower than the average cost for fossil-fired power of domestic power utilities.
Mechanism of Feed-in Tariffs (2/2)

• Current, only Solar PV tariff rates are set on date when generating equipment installations are completed. Other technologies have tariff rates set on the Power Purchasing Agreement (PPA) signing date.
  ➔ tariffs applied for 20 years
  ➔ PPA being a very important credit for banks to provide project financing

• BOE announces PV capacity quota every year. PV systems > 30 kW are subject to a bidding procedure to decide tariffs. Developers proposing higher discount rates receive the priority to get the quota.

• The installed capacity of PV systems has been increased by more than 30 times in less than 4 years after the implementation of FIT.
**FIT for Renewables (2014)**

- Applied for 20 years to electricity from renewables (except PV) whose owner signs PPA with power utility from **1 Jan. 2014 to 31 Dec. 2014**

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* Exchange rate: USD 1 = NTD 30
Million Solar Rooftop PVs project (1/2)

- **Solar Energy Potential**
  - Goal: 6,200 MW developed by 2030
    - A. Roof-top (3,000 MW)
    - B. Ground (3,200 MW)

- **Strategy** - Gradual expansion/ incentivizing roof-tops prior to ground installations
  - Buildings will be installed with PV panels through the incentives of feed-in tariffs.
  - Restricted annual quota at present, while large scale expansion after grid-parity reached.
  - To expand the PV power applications in the domestic market, the annual installation limit has been raised to 210MW in 2014, up from 70MW in 2011.
Encouraging participation from local governments

- Besides FIT, some local governments (e.g. Kaohsiung City) granting extra capital subsidy
- Encouraging public buildings and constructions equipped with PV
- BOE assisting local governments on Solar Roof-top Program and Solar Community Program to facilitate public participation

Establishment of PV-ESCO mechanism

- Encouraging banks to participate in project financing and to provide soft loans to PV-ESCO players

Example Model: Zero financing burden for the site provider

- Banks finance 80% of the PV System
- During the renting period, the site provider gets the rent.
- The ownership of the system after the rent expiring should be discussed by the PV-ESCO and the site provider.

Taiwan Power Company reimburses loan principal and interest, and after-sales service.
Thousand Wind Turbines Project (1/2)

Wind Power Generation Target

Goal: 4,200 MW developed by 2030

A. Onshore: 1,200 MW installed by 2020
B. Offshore: 3,000 MW installed by 2030

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<td>3,000(600 turbines)</td>
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<td>Cumulative Installed Capacity (MW)</td>
<td>614.2 (311 turbines)</td>
<td>829</td>
<td>1,800</td>
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<td>4,200 (1,050 turbines)</td>
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Thousand Wind Turbines Project (2/2)

Strategy — Develop on-shore prior to off-shore wind farms

On-shore: develop areas with higher power generating potentials prior to 2015, then develop areas with less potential thereafter.
- Develop areas with higher power generating potentials prior to 2015 (estimated 800 MW)
- Develop areas with less potential thereafter (400 MW), with total installed capacity reaching 1.2 GW by 2020

Off-shore: develop among the shallow areas prior 2020 then develop in deep water offshore areas.
- Establish the first off-shore wind farm by 2015, and reach 320 MW installed capacity on shallow off-shore areas (approximately 100 turbines) by 2020.
- Develop large wind-farms in areas possessing economic scalability between 2021-2030 (reaching 2,680 MW, which is approximately 500 wind turbines in 10 years)

Short-term~2015:
Offshore Wind Power Demonstration Program

Promote Demonstration Incentive Program

Mid-term~2020
Develop Demonstration Offshore Wind Farms

Optimizer circumstances and infrastructure

Long-term~2030
Develop Large-scale Wind Farms

Establish local industry of marine construction and wind turbines
Offshore Wind Power Demonstration Program

- **Demonstration Wind Farms**
  - In the ocean of 5 m isobaths or deeper, with total capacity above 100 MW but not exceeding 200 MW.

- **Demonstration Devices**
  - 2 offshore wind power systems of single capacity above 3 MW

**Awarded Demonstration Projects**

- **Fuhai @Changhua**
  - Capacity: 108 MW (30 turbines)
  - Distance from Shore: 11 km
  - Water Depth: 25-40 m

- **Formosa @Miaoli**
  - Capacity: 108 MW (30 turbines)
  - Distance from Shore: 1-5 km
  - Water Depth: 5-30 m

- **TPC @Changhua**
  - Capacity: approx. 108 MW (22-36 turbines)
  - Distance from Shore: 6-8 km
  - Water Depth: 15-25 m
Hydro Power

- **Target**: 2,200 MW by 2030

- **Visions and Strategies**
  - almost all potential large hydro sites have been developed, small hydro sites are the future focuses
  - encouraging the development of environmentally sound resources (small scale hydro)

Bihai Hydro Power Plant

Wanta Hydro Power Plant

Hydro Power Plants in Taiwan
Bio-Power

Target:
- 950 MW by 2030

Visions and Strategies
- biomass waste incineration transformed to Energy Center with advanced technology to increase power yield
- encouraging the development of biogas

Scheme combining distributed pretreatments and centralized generation
Geothermal Energy

**Target:**
- 200 MW by 2030

**Visions and Strategies**
- shallow natural geothermal reservoirs first, then EGS (enhanced geothermal systems)
- to introduce Incentive Program that subsidizing exploration of geothermal resources to lower investment cost born by private investors

High heat flow unit (>2HFU) and high geothermal gradient (>40°C/km) area: more than 50% (average 1.5 HFU in the world)
Ocean Energy

- **Challenges:**
  - Technology
  - Reliability
  - Maintenance
  - Transmission
  - Cost
  - Ecologic issue
  - Ocean Engineering Capability
  - Extreme Conditions

- **Visions and Strategies**
  - accelerating R&D in OTEC, wave and ocean current power
Other Incentive Programs

- Subsidy programs for advanced renewable technologies or for small scale applications
  - BIPV (building-integrated PV)
  - Biogas power generation
  - Small wind turbines demonstration
  - Geothermal power generation demonstration
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