GET FiT in Developing Countries

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GET FiT builds upon the high-level concepts included in recent proposals

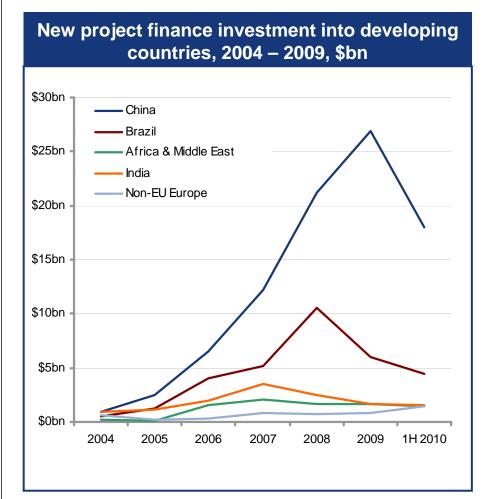
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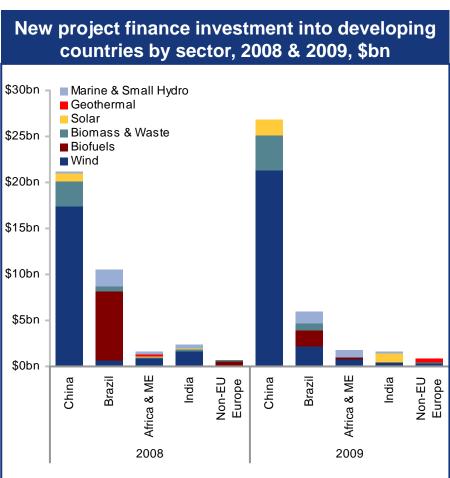
- They are high-level concepts developed prior to the COP-15.
- Many recommend providing long-term premium feed-in tariff payments, although some also propose low-interest loans, technical assistance, etc.
- Capitalization focuses on carbon emissions trading revenues (emissions auctions, carbon tax proceeds), national donations, and/or multi-lateral bank sponsorship.
- They envision being embedded in the existing international infrastructure (e.g. GEF trust fund, World Bank Climate Technology Fund).

GET FiT takes these proposed concepts a step further and explores implementation details to reflect the concerns of project developers/owners and financiers.



What has been done so far in developing markets?







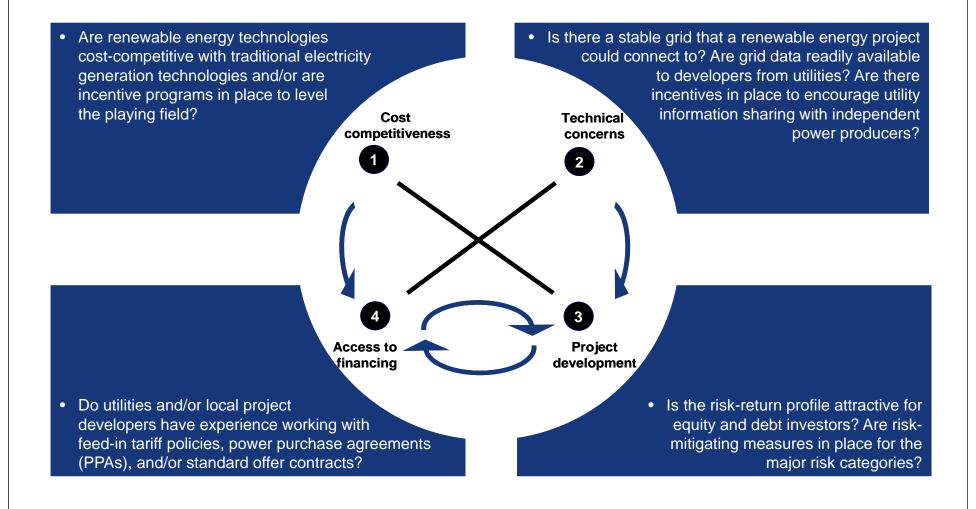


Sources of private capital

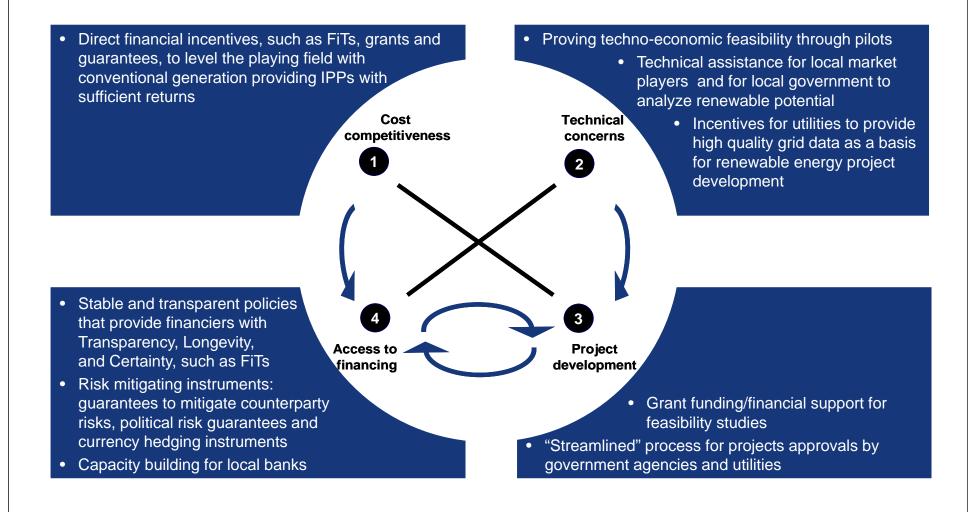
- CDM / Offset markets--dependent on Carbon market developments
- Corporate Project Finance market
- Infrastructure (Real Estate) Funds: Institutional and Individual investors
- Social Investors: Mission Related and Program Related Investments
- Microfinance: Proven source of capital, but may not be of sufficient scale



Obstacles to capital deployment...



...Require strategies to overcome renewable energy barriers

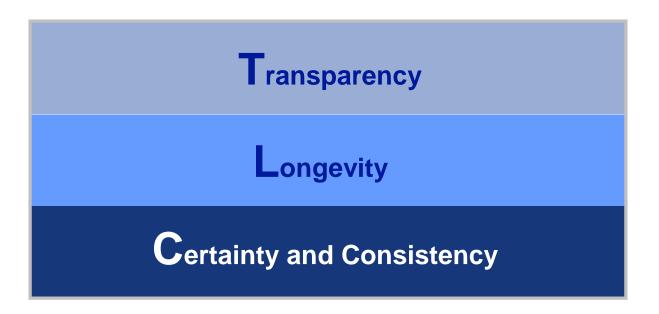


Equity return expectations

- Will vary with country risk premium
- Social Investors 5-10% required returns
- Corporate and Institutional investors look for 9-11% returns plus country risk premium in mature infrastructure, and 20-25% returns as the development and technology risk rises.
- This is in hard currency (US\$, Euro)

What do investors want from policy?

Investors essentially look for 3 key drivers in policy:



In assessing the potential success of policies, these factors should be taken into account.



The GET FiT Mission

- Support renewable energy scale-up and energy access in developing countries through the creation of new international Public-private Partnerships (PPPs)
- Catalyze the supply / demand for private sector financing of renewable energy projects in both middle- and low-income countries
- Support national renewable energy policies that mitigate investment risks and challenges that financiers and developers face, and attract significant private capital as part of broader, low-carbon growth plans
- Adapt international renewable energy policy best practices to the developing country context to support on-grid and off-grid projects, and lighthouse PPAs
- Bridge to grid parity for renewable energy both by allowing developing countries to gain experience with renewable resources prior to break-even scenarios and by adjusting incentive rates to reflect lower prices over time
- A program concept intended as a template for climate finance programs post-Copenhagen







In essence, GET FiT is simple

- International AAA-rated donors: national governments, development banks, and international climate-related funds provide premium payments for renewable energy in the appropriate policy structure to this market in partnership with developing country governments. The payments would be structured in a way to support renewable energy technologies' progress towards grid parity. This is a major de-risking for investors and can establish fair and sufficient returns.
- Developing countries' governments and utilities administer the process.
- An array of technical and risk mitigation programs will need to be aggregated and coordinated as well.
- Private investors then deploy capital in renewable energy projects.



Risk mitigation strategies

Risk/Barrier	Mitigation Strategy	GET FiT Program	Partner country	Utility	Int'l. Sponsor of GET FiT	Third parties
Development risk	Transparent approval processes	(indirect)	•		\circ	\bigcirc
	Equity investor carries economic risk	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	0	\bigcirc
Construction risk	Transparent approval processes	(indirect)				
	Equity investor carries economic risk	\bigcirc				
Revenue risk	FiTs or grants mitigate price risk					
	Guarantees mitigate counterparty risk	•	•			
	Equity investor carries volume risk		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Currency risk	Hard currency GET FiT premium					\bigcirc
Political risk	Political risk guarantees					



= Primary role



= Secondary or optional role



= No role

Providing technical assistance to address non-financial barriers

Target Sector	Governments and government agencies	Utilities	Local financiers	Local private sector players
Focus areas	 Policy design such as advanced feed-in tariff policy design and resource diversity strategies Grid analyses *Resource assessments Project feasibility studies 	 Grid management *Renewable energy integration 	 Financial due diligence Risk mitigation strategies 	 Renewable energy project development System construction, operation and maintenance

Direct funding of technical assistance

Aggregation of available multi-lateral, bilateral, and private sector resources



Capitalization – There are a broad range of current and proposed international funding sources

Conventional funds

- Contributions from multi-lateral banks
- Contributions from national donors
- Contributions from existing international funds
- Burden sharing with client countries



Revenues from international climate policies (current and proposed)

- Emissions auction revenues
 - National auctions
 - Assigned amount unit (AAU) auctions
- Carbon tax revenues
- Transport levies



New sources of funds

- Copenhagen Green Climate Fund ("fast start funds")
- Bonds secured by donor country pledges and/or carbon markets
- IMF Special Drawing Rights quantitative easing



GET FiT Program

- In order to provide developers/owners and financiers with certainty, the program sponsors will need a AAA bond rating
- It is envisioned that a AAA-rated international sponsor, such as a multi-lateral bank or a consortium of donor countries, will guarantee the GET FiT Program
- GET FiT could explore funding opportunities in bond markets secured by commitments from donor organizations and other revenue streams through long-term annual commitments. Creating hybrid structures may work best, depending on different market conditions.

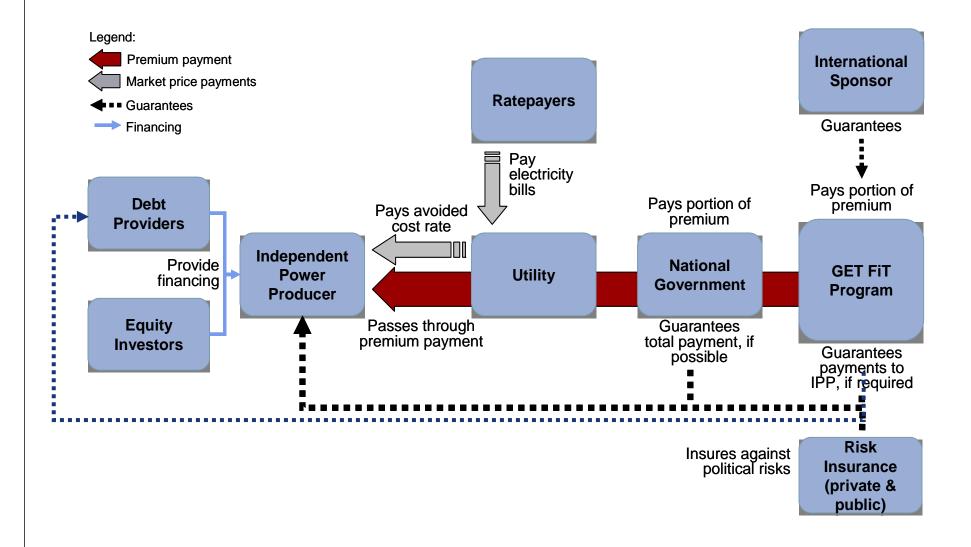
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Best practice advanced FiT for developing countries

IT Design Features	Key Factors	TLC at the Right Price		
Policy & Economic Framework	"Linkage" to mandates & targets	Yes		
	Eligible technologies	All renewables eligible		
	Specified tariff by technology	Yes		
Core Elements	Standard offer/ guaranteed payment	Yes		
Core Liements	Interconnection	Yes		
	Payment term	15-25 yrs 5-10 yrs		
	Must take	Yes		
Supply & Demand	Who operates (most common)	Open to all		
	Fixed Structure & Adjustment			
	Fixed vs. variable price	Adjusted for inflation		
How to set price	Generation cost vs. avoided cost	Generation		
	IRR target	Yes		
	Degression	Yes - ending at LCOE breakeven		
How to adjust price	Periodic review	Yes		
	Grid parity target	Yes		
	Project size cap	Depends on context		
Caps	Policy cap	Based on transmission constraints and/or ratepayer impact		
Policy interactions	Eligible for other incentives	Yes - eligible to take choice		
Streamlining	Transaction costs minimized	Yes		
CDM linkage	Does the national FiT policy take CDM into account?	Yes		

Potential GET FiT Structure



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