

The Italian renewable energy development : growth, experiences and technologies



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# **GSE – OUTLOOK AND MAIN ACTIVITIES**

# MISSION

**GSE** is the state-owned company which promotes and supports the renewable energy sources development in Italy.

GSE fosters sustainable development by providing support for renewable electricity generation and by taking actions to build awareness of environmentally-efficient energy uses.



# **GSE – OUTLOOK AND MAIN ACTIVITIES**





### "Single Buyer"

Purchase of electricity for small customers.

- 28,5 million customers
- 85 TWh of energy purchased



### "Energy Market Company"

Energy Market and Environmental Markets (green certificates, white certificates, CO2 allowances)

- 524 TWh electricity traded
- 4 milion CV Green Certificates (value 339 million euros)



### "Research into the energy field"

- 350 researchers
- 40 research projects

# **GSE – Main activities**

### Managing of different systems for the promotion of RES, CHP and Energy

**Efficiency** (qualifying plants, carrying out technical inspections on plants, issuing incentives, re-selling in the market of the RES-electricity purchased, collecting different types of data from plants through a satellite system, etc.)

### Support schemes for RES electricity

- Green Certificates: issuing GC and monitoring compliance of producers and importers obligated;
- Feed-in Tariff (incentive + compensation for the energy sold)

### **Energy Services for RES and CHP electricity**

- **Net-metering** system for electricity generated by RES and CHP plants up to 200 kW;
- Dedicated Electricity Intake: purchase at average market price of electricity from RES and other plants (producers opting for electricity sale through GSE).

### Support schemes for thermal RES and Energy Efficiency

• White certificates and other specific incentives.

### GSE – main activities: some data





### **Energy incentivated (TWh)**







### **Total gross generation in Italy**



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# **Electricity generation from renewables in Italy**

In 2000 : 51 TWh (18,4% of total gross energy generation)

In 2012 : 92 TWh (27% of total gross energy generation)



A total increase of around 41 TWh due to new RES plants

Number and capacity of renewable power plants in Italy

Solar: 478,000 photovoltaic plants with a capacity of 16 GW

Wind: 1,054 plants with a capacity of 8 GW

**Bioenergy: 2.200 plants with a capacity of 3,8 GW** 

Geothermal: 33 geothermal plants with a capacity of 772 MW

Source: Statistical Report GSE

### **RES development in Italy**

# RES power plants size in Italy - 2012

Distribuzione % del numero degli impianti per fonte rinnovabile secondo classe di potenza



## **Renewable energy development – Regional Distribution**



The renewable energy strong development creates a new Italian green industry v significant business turnover offering new products and services:

- SOLAR ENERGY
- WIND
- GEOTHERMAL
- **BIOMASS**
- ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- SMART GRID

### Main aspects of the RES Italian industry :

✓ Favourable location

- ✓ High potential of R&D
- Building integration & design
- ✓ RES for big and small applications
- Cooperation between companies and universities









- gasification of organic waste
- CHP systems, biogas
- biomethane technology
- digesters
- combustors and boilers

















- Small to large scale wind energy products
- wind turbine generators
- Towers
- transformers and control systems
- slew and wheel drive applications
- gearboxes for wind turbine pitch and yaw drive systems















### **Geothermal Energy Technologies**

- Heat pumps
- Steam plants
- Turbines
- Trills and compressors













- solar cells and modules
- inverters
- ultra-thin photovoltaic films
- Solar thermal
- Concentrating solar power (CSP)
- Photovoltaic concentrating systems (CPV)













### THE ITALIAN STRENGHTS

# **ITALIAN PV SUPPLY CHAIN :**

# HIGH-INNOVATION & EFFICIENCY BUILDING INTEGRATION DESIGN



photovoltaic floor



photovoltaic tiles



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