

REALISE-Forum

Questions to the Steering Group

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Critical questions to be addressed in the round table discussion with the SG

Which of the currently implemented support schemes are

- most effective (increase in the share of RES)
- most efficient (social and economic costs of the system)
- most compatible with the principles of the internal electricity market

- Interactions between various RES-E support schemes in different countries (also with CO₂ certificate trading)
- Would harmonisation of RES-E support in Europe after 2012 represent a better solution with respect to effectiveness and to efficiency of the system?



Technology/ Art of the Support scheme

- How well does the scheme in use in your country support a portfolio of different renewable technologies?
- Does it support mostly the strongest renewable technologies (near to market) or does it encourage a various range of technologies ?

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Transparency

- Is this support scheme transparent and easy to understand?
- Is it attractive to investors?
- Is this scheme capable of keeping down the transaction costs for developers / investors as well as the administrative costs of public bodies support ?

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New investments

- Is this support scheme capable to attract an appropriate number of new investors to the RES field?
- Does it possess long-term stability, offering an acceptable risk-return profile?
- Does it encourage local/regional development, employment and income generation?

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General costs of the schemes

- Are the costs of these schemes (justified and) socially acceptable?
- How determinant is the role of the respective institutional frameworks and of the actors willing to invest in RES-E even without a support system (green pricing)?

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Need for harmonisation

- Do you consider necessary to pursue a strategy of harmonisation of RES-E support systems in the EU?
- Which timeframe do you consider to be appropriate?

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Liberalisation of the power markets/ Interaction with other policy instruments

- Can this support scheme be integrated into a liberalised power market?
- How is it compatible with liberalisation criteria?
- How do you estimate its effectiveness in functioning together with existing and new policy instruments (e.g. Kyoto instruments, emission trading)?

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