



Improving Energy-Efficiency in Buildings – Efficiency Standards & Labelling – Lessons Learned John O'Brien, Regional Technical Advisor UNDP Bratislava Regional Centre Slovakia

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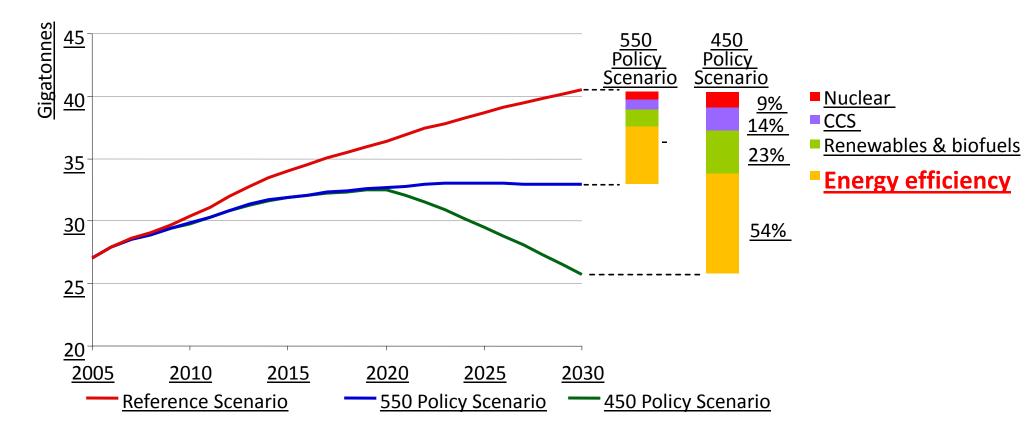
Presentation Structure

- **1. General Observations Potential for EE**
- 2. UNDP Portfolio on Energy-Efficiency
- 3. Removing Barriers to Energy-Efficiency
- 4. Lessons Learned from UNDP Projects

Everybody says energy-efficiency is critically important and yet overall one has to conclude that a lot more needs to be done ...



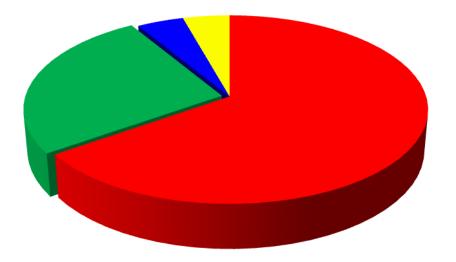
Energy Efficiency represents the largest potential reduction in energy-related CO₂ emissions , in particular in this region ...



While technological progress is needed to achieve some emissions reductions, efficiency gains and deployment of existing low-carbon energy accounts for most of the savings

Energy-Efficiency in Buildings remains the most common project type for UNDP – 70% of the Portfolio

September 2010 - Breakdown of UNDP Climate Change Projects by Type in RBEC Region – (23)



EE Buildings (15)

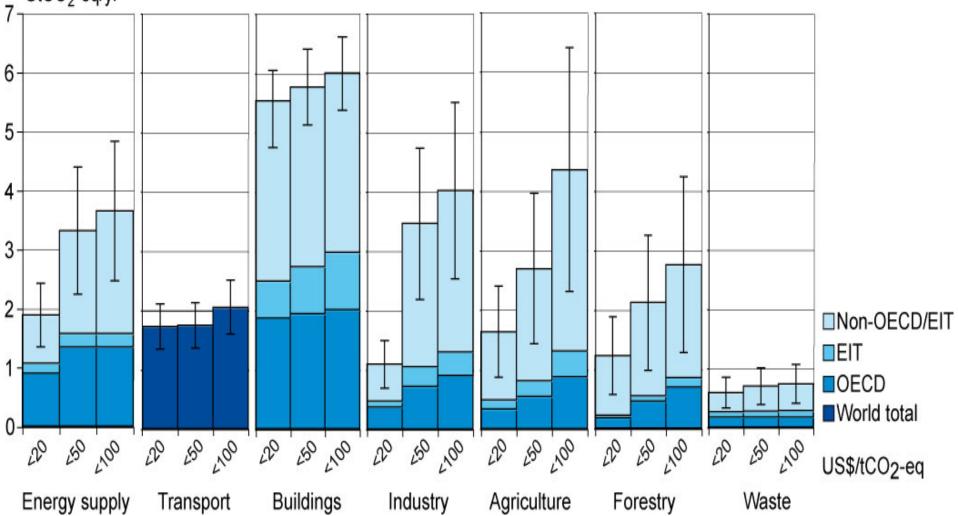
- Renewable Energy (6)
- Sustainable
 Transport (1)
- Coal Mine Methane (1)



Ten new Climate Change Mitigation Projects in the last 12 months totaling over \$35m include the following projects ...

Country	Project	Prodoc Signed	Amount USD M
Armenia	EE Buildings	July 2010	\$1.00
Kyrgyzstan	Small Hydro	February 2010	\$1.00
Russia	EE Lighting	April 2010	\$7.00
Russia	EE Standards & Labels	August 2010	\$7.80
Russia	EE North-West Buildings	September 2010	\$5.60
Russia	Greening Sochi Olympics	Dec 2010	\$1.00
Serbia	Sustainable Transport	May 2010	\$1.00
Tajikistan	Sustainable Transport	April 2010	\$1.00
Turkey	EE Buildings	August 2010	\$2.62
Turkey	EE Standards & Labeling	March 2010	\$2.70
Ukraine	EE Lighting	March 2011	\$6.50

Energy-Efficiency in Buildings has more potential than any other GtC0₂-eq/yr sector for emission reductions ...



How to reduce emissions – EE Buildings



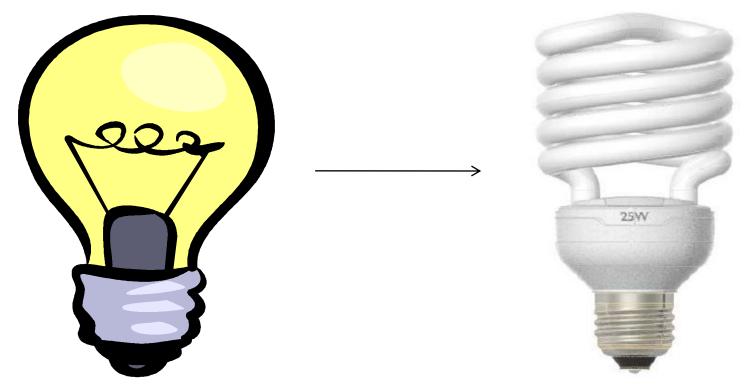
- Passive Solar Design,
- Solar heating & cooling
- Improved building envelop through
- insulation
- Efficient lighting;
- Efficient appliances & airconditioning



Barriers to Energy-Efficiency – Lots of Barriers

- Information and Awareness Barriers
- Legislative & Policy Barriers
- Opportunity Cost Barriers
- Institutional & Market Barriers
- Technical & Skill Base Barriers
- Financial Barriers





Even when we are aware we will make significant savings, very little is often done ...

Lugansk example

DP

2. Legislative & Policy Barriers

- New Energy Legislation
- New Building Codes
- Standards & Labelling
- New Policies which promote EE (audits etc ...)

Significant Issue:

-Enforcement of Legislation

Significant Issues

Construction companies make more money by reducing building costs and this often means at the expense of energy-efficiency.



3. Opportunity Cost Barriers

✓Management focuses on making money, not saving energy costs

✓ Energy often treated as a fixed cost

Liquidity – Many businesses prefer to keep day-to-day liquidity instead of
 embarking on an investment leading to net savings in the future

✓ EE Not a priority for most companies

How do we change this?

One answer – speak financial language to companies

UK experience – ESCOs can work



3. Institutional Barriers

✓ Governments and private sector with limited capacity to identify and implement EE measures / Weak capacity at regional/local level

- ✓ Top officials working in other sectors (EE not 'sexy')
- ✓ Creating favorable investment conditions requires reforms to institutions
- ✓ Weak ability of Housing & Condominium Associations
- ✓ Lack of trained architects, engineers, skilled personnel

✓ Lack of incentive to overcome institutional barriers when energy prices are low institutions simply **DO NOT CARE** that much



4. Technical Barriers & Skill Base Barriers

- ✓ Insufficient capacity to design/implement EE products
- ✓ Inability to deploy EE technologies
- ✓ Technical standards not in place in many countries
- ✓ Lack of training and skills development for EE , esp. at university level



5. Financial Barriers

- ✓ Inability of households (in particular) to obtain credit
- ✓ EE not 'sexy' for financial institutions due to small project size
- ✓ Debt/Equity not easily available in many countries and if it was available most consumers would prefer to buy a new car
- ✓ Carbon Finance Barriers small size vs high transaction costs

Financing has to be accompanied by an enabling policy environment, capacity building, awareness building and technology innovation.

 Political leadership
 Revise sector policies and economic and fiscal policies to take climate risks into account
 Strengthen institutions



UNDP and Energy-Efficiency

✓ Focus is on EE in Buildings (public & private) (not industry)

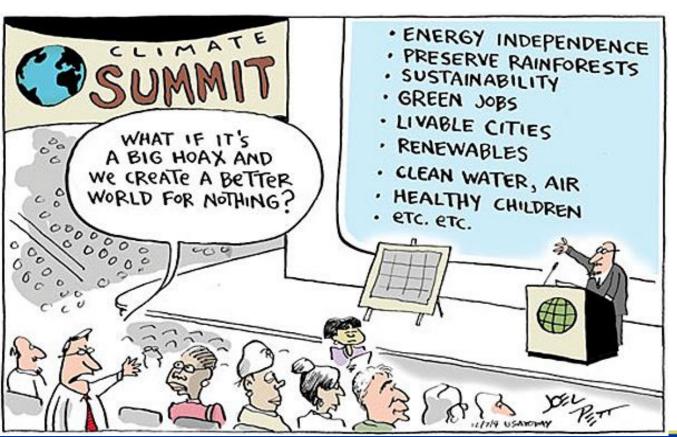
✓ Support to approx 30 projects on EE in Buildings in public and residential sectors in all regions of the globe (mainly through GEF)

✓ 15 EE projects and over us\$40 million dollars in Europe & CIS region

 Projects target barrier removal activities and often have a demonstration component

✓ Lessons Learned Exercise is Currently Underway

Thank You!



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