

# Renewable Energy and the Arab Region









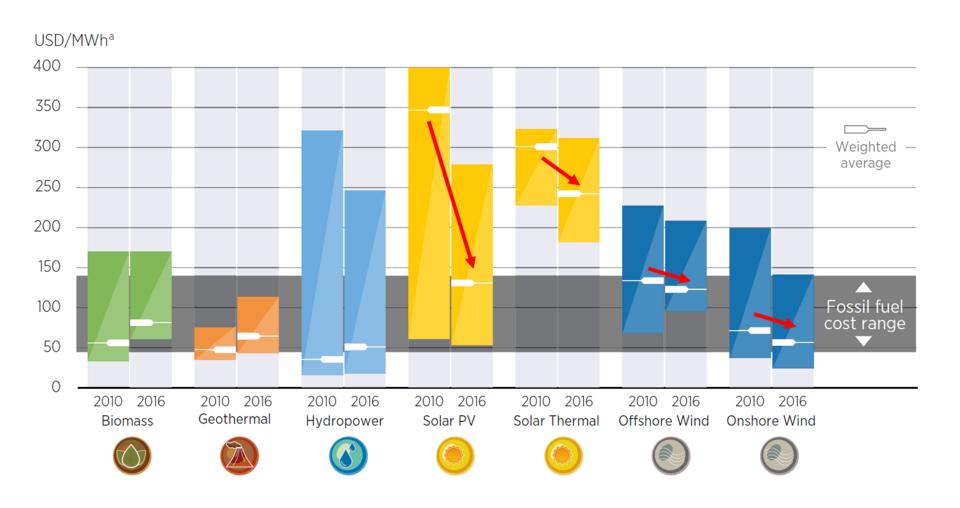




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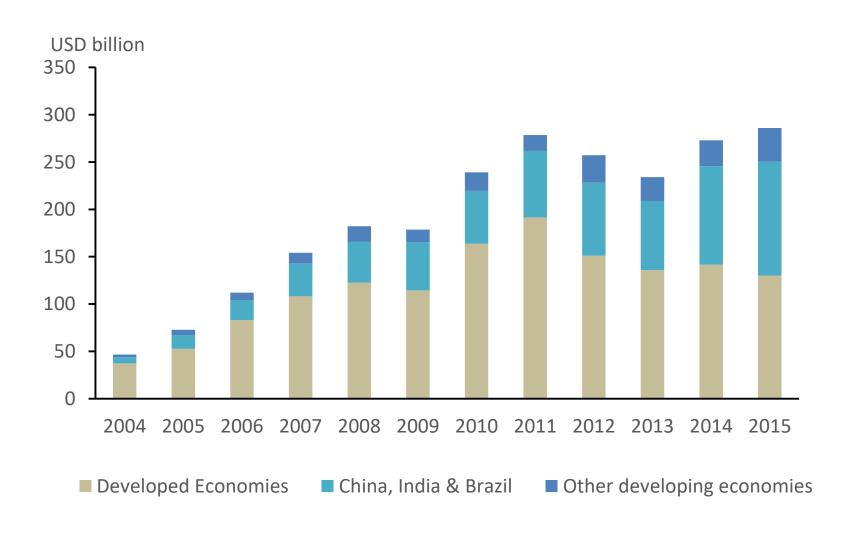
# **Electricity generation costs are falling**





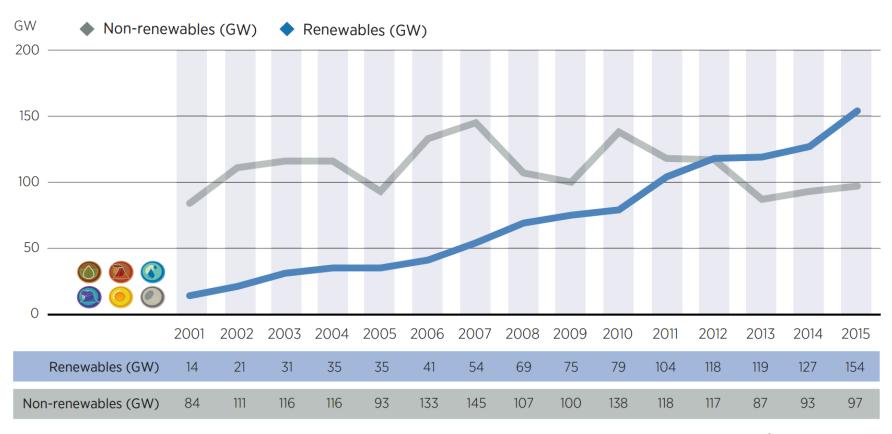
# Investments are rising





# New capacity additions surpassed fossil fuel





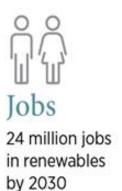
Source: IRENA

Renewable power capacity additions have exceeded non-renewables for the last 5 years (incl. 2016)

#### **Benefits of an RE transition**













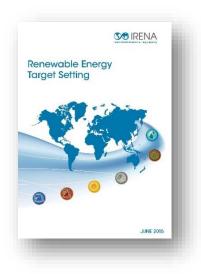
RE employed 8.1 million people around the world in 2015

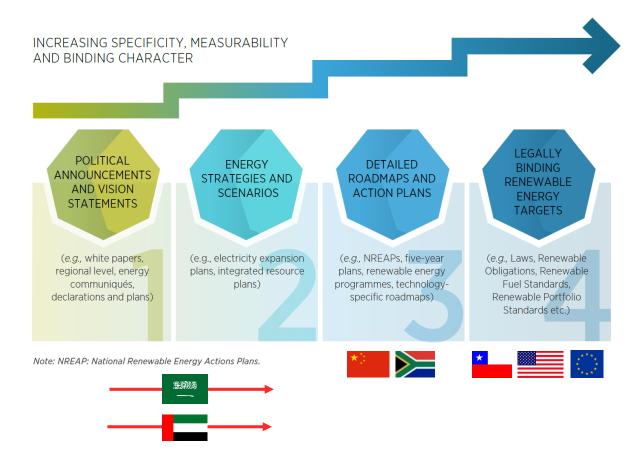
- → additional 1.3 million for large hydropower
  - → 5% increase from the previous year

## Targets in the global RE landscape



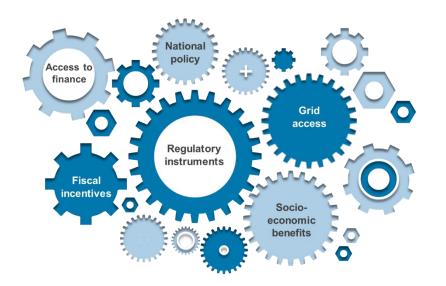
at least one type of renewable energy target – up from 43 in 2005





## Trends in RE support policies





#### Number of countries with renewable energy policies, by type





Implemented auctions and a feed-in tariff simultaneously



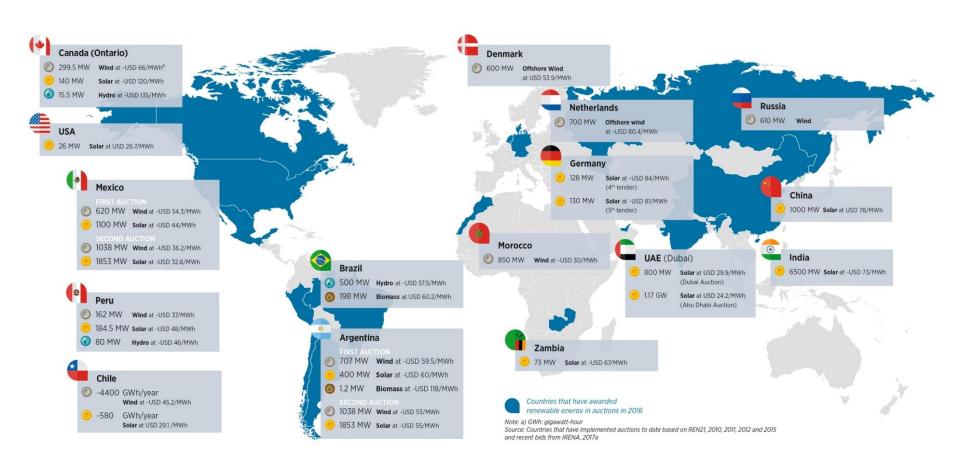
Used feed-in tariffs to set price cap for auctions



Used auctions to set feed-in tariffs

# Renewable Energy Auctions Recent highlights

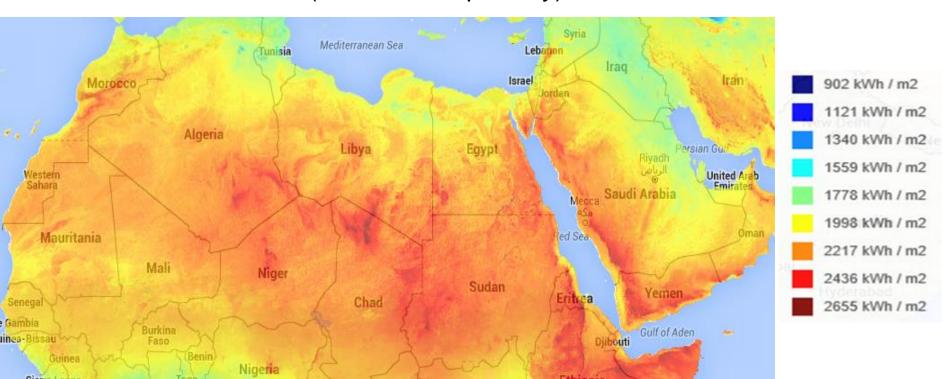




#### **RE Potential in the Arab World**



- Very high renewable energy potential, particularly in wind and solar
- Most Arab countries part of the solar belt with highest solar insolation levels in the world (6.5 kWh/m2 per day)

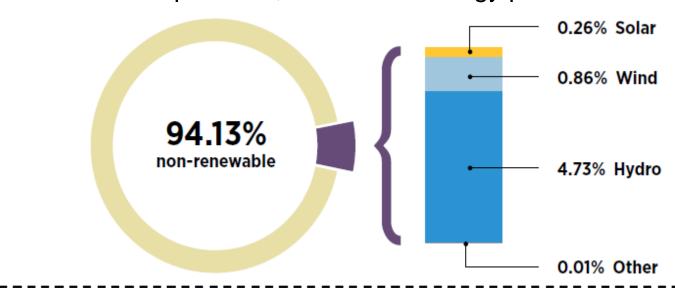


Source: Mines ParisTech, retrieved from IRENA Global Atlas for Renewable Energy

## **Renewable Energy Installed Capacity**



Despite tremendous potential, renewable energy penetration remains low.



	Non-Renewable Installed Capacity	ı	Renewable Energy Installed Capacity (2015)  Total Installed Capacity				
į		Solar	Wind	Hydro	Other	Total RE	i
[MW]	218,726	616	2,000	11,000	36	13,652	232,378
[%]	94.13%	0.26%	0.86%	4.73%	0.01%	5.87%	100%

Sources: RCREEE (2016), IRENA (2016), Arab Union of Electricity (2015)

Yet, high commitment to drive RE deployment, with ambitious LT goals. 10

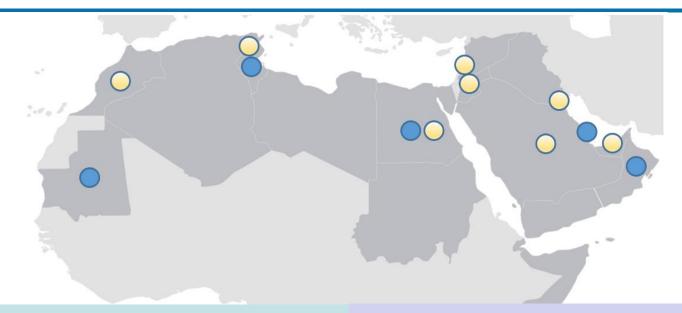
## **Insights: RE Developments**



- ➤ In 2016, **USD 11 billion** were invested in renewables across the Arab region compared to USD 1.2 billion in 2008, a nine-fold increase in 8 years.
- ➤ In 2016, **5.8 GW** of renewables (excl. hydro) was operational or under construction, a five-fold growth since 2008.
- ➤ Targets to translate into a **combined 80 GW of renewable capacity** by 2030 based on national plans
- ➤ To achieve ambitions, **efforts needed** to enhance policy, regulatory, technical and economic frameworks enabling the scaled-up deployment of renewable.
- ➤ According to the World Bank, **only 6/22 countries** of the region scored more than 50 out 100 for the policies/laws/regulations of renewable energies.

#### IRENA's engagements in the Arab region





# **Country Support**

- > RRA Oman (2015)
- > RRA Mauritania (2015); post RRA
- > RRA Tunisia (in progress)
- RRA/REmap Egypt (in progress)
- > REmap AUE (2015)
- Qatar National Stakeholder Consultation (2017)

#### **Regional Initiatives**

- Pan-Arab Clean Energy initiative
- RE Market Analysis for GCC (2016)
- ➤ RE Manufacturing Potential for:
  - Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia (with EIB, 2015)
  - Jordan, Lebanon and the UAE (with UNESCWA, in progress)

### Pan-Arab Clean Energy Initiative (PACE)



Regional approach to promote the integration of greater shares of renewables into power systems

Resource assessment

**Planning** 

**Enabling frameworks** 

Project facilitation support





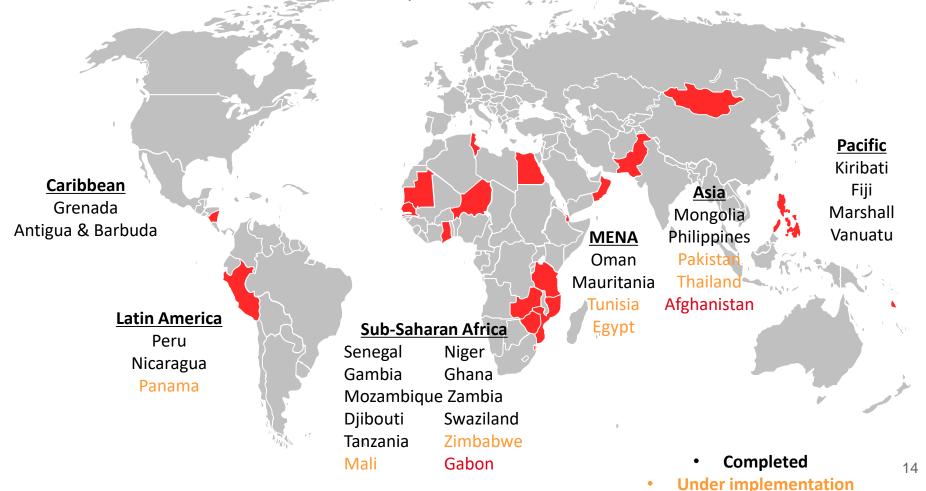


#### Renewables Readiness Assessment



**Planned** 

- ✓ Comprehensive assessment of the situation on the ground for RE deployment
  - ✓ Identification of obstacles hindering accelerated deployment
  - ✓ Recommendations for short / medium-term actions to overcome them



## **Evaluating Local Manufacturing Potential**



➤ A study assessing the capability to develop local RE manufacturing industries while exploiting interregional potential and linkages.





**COMING SOON**Additional partners, countries

Forthcoming
Jordan, Lebanon, UAE

Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia

















#### **IRENA's Project Support**





Success stories Country profiles Project concept

Site characterization

GlobalAtlas

Deployment

Assistance to financial closure and debt facility

Project pipelines
Corridors, SIDS
Lighthouse,
Readiness

Prefeasibility

Bankable project development guidelines



Investor ready

Feasibility

Evaluate, technical assistance

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY MARKETPLACE

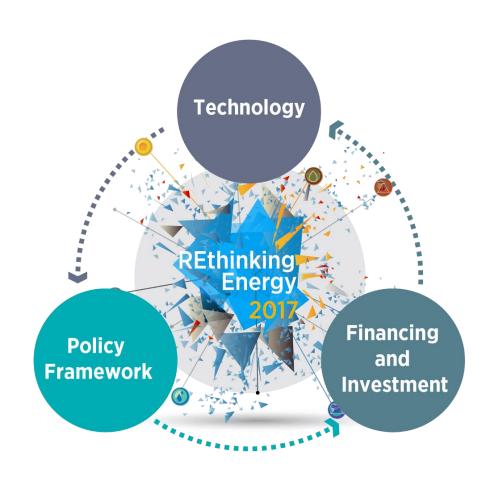




# Thank you for your attention



# The global energy sector is transforming International Renewable Energy Agency





#### Renewable energy policies have been central to this growth

NATIONAL POLICY	REGULATORY INSTRUMENTS	FISCAL INCENTIVES	GRID ACCESS	ACCESS TO FINANCE <sup>a</sup>	SOCIO-ECONOMIC BENEFITS <sup>b</sup>
<ul> <li>Renewable energy target</li> <li>Renewable energy law/strategy</li> <li>Technology-specific law/programme</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Feed-in tariff</li> <li>Feed-in premium</li> <li>Auction</li> <li>Quota</li> <li>Certificate system</li> <li>Net metering</li> <li>Mandate (e.g., blending mandate)</li> <li>Registry</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>VAT/ fuel tax/ income tax exemption</li> <li>Import/export fiscal benefit</li> <li>National exemption of local taxes</li> <li>Carbon tax</li> <li>Accelerated depreciation</li> <li>Other fiscal benefits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>◆ Transmission discount/exemption</li> <li>◆ Priority/dedicated transmission</li> <li>◆ Grid access</li> <li>◆ Preferential dispatch</li> <li>◆ Other grid benefits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>◆ Currency hedging</li> <li>◆ Dedicated fund</li> <li>◆ Eligible fund</li> <li>◆ Guarantees</li> <li>◆ Pre-investment support</li> <li>◆ Direct funding</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Renewable energy in rural access/cook stove programmes</li> <li>Local content requirements</li> <li>Special environmental regulations</li> <li>Food and water nexus policy</li> <li>Social requirements</li> </ul>

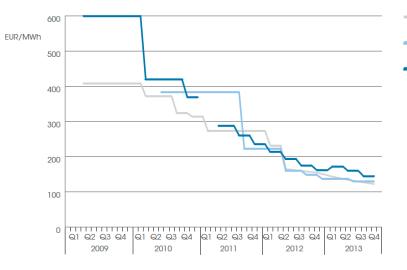


#### FITs Strengths and weaknesses - Keeping pace with rapidly decreasing costs

#### **FITs** Limits the risks for investors also in emerging technologies Strengths Facilitates the entry of new players in the market Often funded by consumers and not exposed to public budget cuts Long term security drives technological development Costly with high deployment rates and Weaknesses Generation is not exposed to electricity market prices

Tariff setting and tariff adjustment process is challenging and complex

#### PV FIT degression mechanism in Germany, the U.K. and France



Source: IRENA (2014), Adapting renewable energy policies to dynamic market conditions

Germany

France



# FIPs Strengths and weaknesses - Keeping pace with rapidly decreasing costs

#### **FIPs**

Fixed premiums encourage generators to react to market signals

Sliding premiums or capped fixed premiums minimise the support cost

Limit risk for investors, especially premiums with floor

Strengths

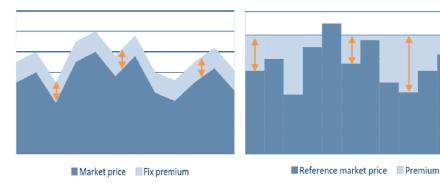
Weaknesses

Flexible designs and well suited for liberalised electricity markets

Fixed premiums without floor create risk for investors

Premium setting and adjustment process is challenging and complex

#### **Fixed or floating premium**





# Auctions Strengths and weaknesses - Keeping pace with rapidly decreasing costs

#### **Auctions**

Strengths

Weaknesses

Flexibility in the design according to conditions and objectives

Permit real price discovery

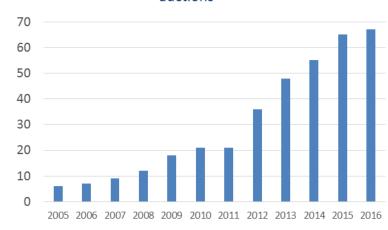
Provide greater certainty regarding prices and quantities

Enable commitments and transparency

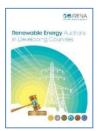
Are associated with relatively high transaction costs for both developer and auctioneer

Risk of underbuilding and delays

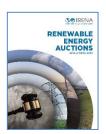
## Number of countries that have adopted auctions



Based on REN21 Global Status Report (2005 to 2016)

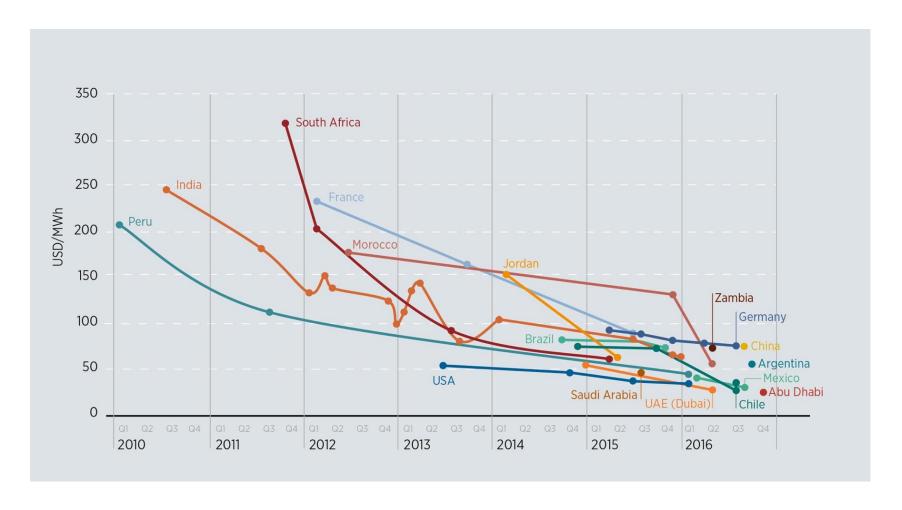






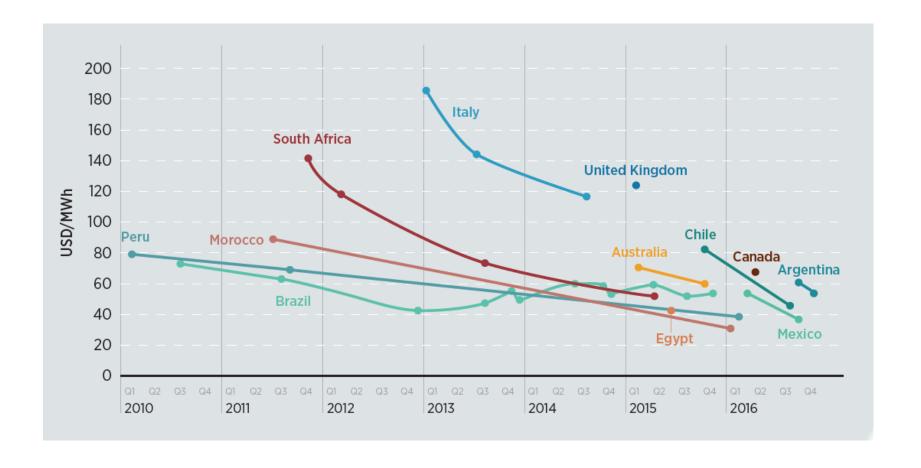


#### **Price trends: solar PV auctions**



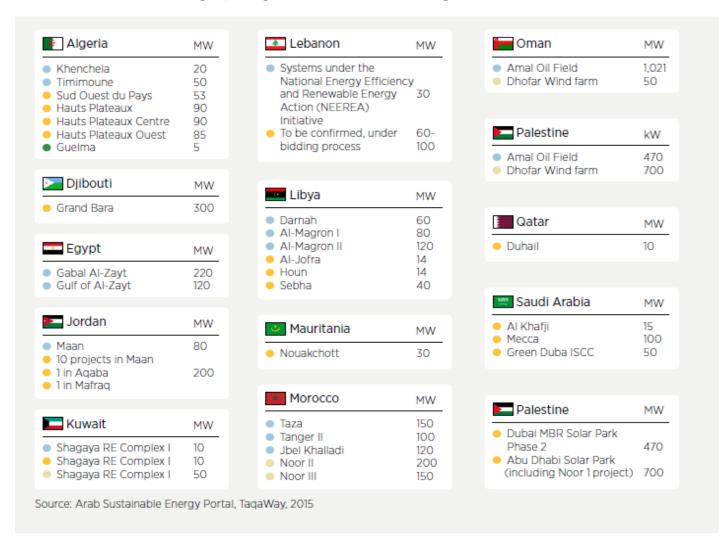


#### Price trends: onshore wind auctions





#### ...and many projects underway.



#### **Renewables Readiness Assessment**







- Backbone of IRENA's country level engagement
- Comprehensive assessment of the situation on the ground for RE deployment; identification of obstacles hindering accelerated deployment; recommending short / medium-term actions to overcome them
- Country-initiated, country-led process
- Inclusive and multi-stakeholder process promoting consensus
- Process establishing a basis for future collaboration
- IRENA as facilitator

### **REmap 2030**



- » IRENA's Global Renewable Energy Roadmap
- Shows feasible, cost-effective ways to increase renewable energy deployment in world's energy mix
- Support the G20 in determining pathways for operationalising Paris Agreement with decarbonisation scenarios analysis to 2050, report released in March, 2017
- >> New global REmap report in 2018, previous global reports in 2014, 2016
- Identifies concrete technology options for countries and sectors
- Assesses policy and investment implications
- Outlines benefits (economic, social, environmental)
- In cooperation with 70 countries
- 30 publications to date and datasets including country reports and sector studies



#### **Objectives of the study**

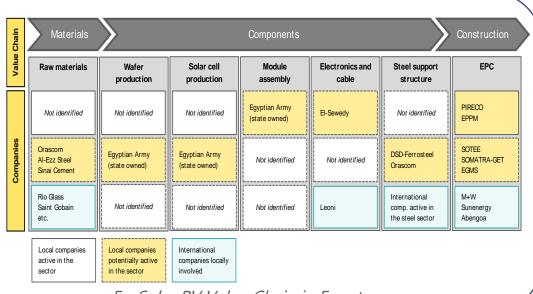


Assessment of the local RE manufacturing capability

manufacturing potential

Identification of recommended

- Identification of actors involved in the value chain
- Assessment of local manufacturing assets
- Conclusion on current local manufacturing capacity



Ex: Solar PV Value Chain in Egypt

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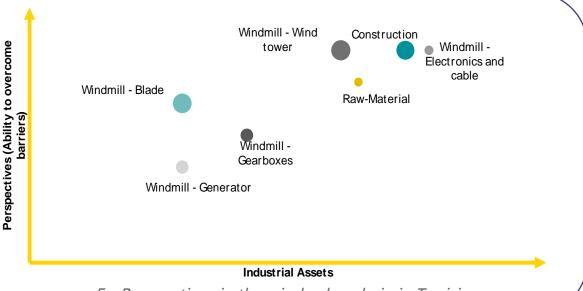


Assessment of the local RE manufacturing capability

Assessment of the RE manufacturing potential

Identification of recommended

- Analysis of the barriers for future local manufacturing
- Interviews with >30 stakeholders
- Conclusion on future local manufacturing capacity



Ex: Perspectives in the wind value chain in Tunisia

# **Objectives of the study**



Assessment of the local RE manufacturing capability

ssessment of the RE manufacturing potential

Identification of recommended solutions

- Identification of the key success factors to achieve the potential for local integration
- Formulation of recommendations to enable environment for RE industry growth

	State assessment / Priority level						
Key measures	Solar PV		Solar CSP		Wind onshore		
	Current state	Priority	Current state	Priority	Current state	Priority	
Provide information on market size and opportunities of production adjustments		High		High		High	
Assess the feasibility of production line upgrades		Medium		Medium		High	
Foster business linkages in particular through JV with international companies		High		Medium		High	
Support awareness- raising initiatives	I	-		Medium		High	
Support the structuring of the sector		-		-		High	

Ex: Recommendations on the development of a local RE industry in Morocco