### ITALIAN PV MARKET

# WORKSHOP ON PV INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

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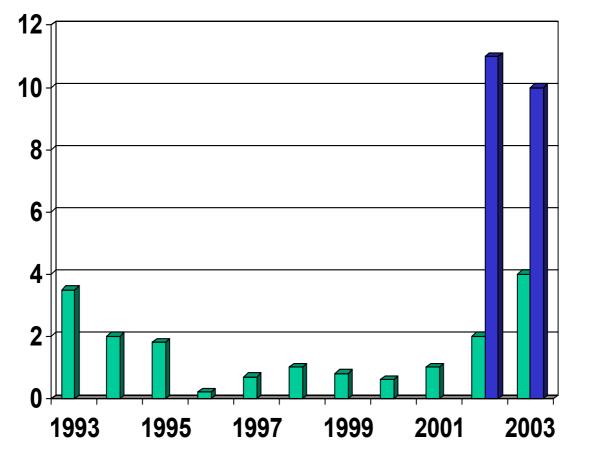
- A Young Market
  - Net Metering permitted only since Dec. 2000
- Subsidy Programme launched in 2001
  - Managed by Min.Env./ Regions
  - Grants up to 75% of Investment Costs
  - Max PV Price fixed (7,25 8,00 €/W)
- No Installations made in 2001
- First Installations in 2002
- New Subsidy Programme launched in 2002







### PV PLANTS INSTALLED IN ITALY











### REASONS FOR SLOW GROWTH

- Limited Interest by Government & Institutions
- Funds for Renewable Energies diverted towards Traditional Energies
- Delay in Launching Funding Programmes
- Bureaucracy in Funding Implementation
- No ambitious Medium Term Plans / Goals
- Prejudices towards Renewable Energies
- Limited Support by Utility Companies
- Low Quality/Price Level of PV offer

# BUT The Scenario is Changing







### **CHANGE OF SCENARIO**

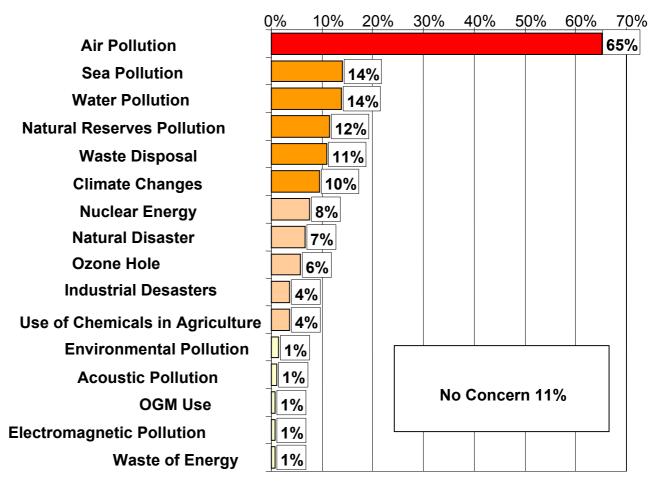
- Concern towards Environment Growing
  - Air Pollution is the Main Concern
  - Renewable Energies are Most Wanted
  - Willingness to Pay Higher Electricity Bill
- Government Approach is Changing
  - No more Funds to Traditional Energies
  - Strong Support by Whole Parliament to REs
  - Specific Tariff for PV
  - Minimum Power to be Guaranteed
- Feed-in Tariff expected by 3Q of 2004







### Air Pollution Main Concern of Italians



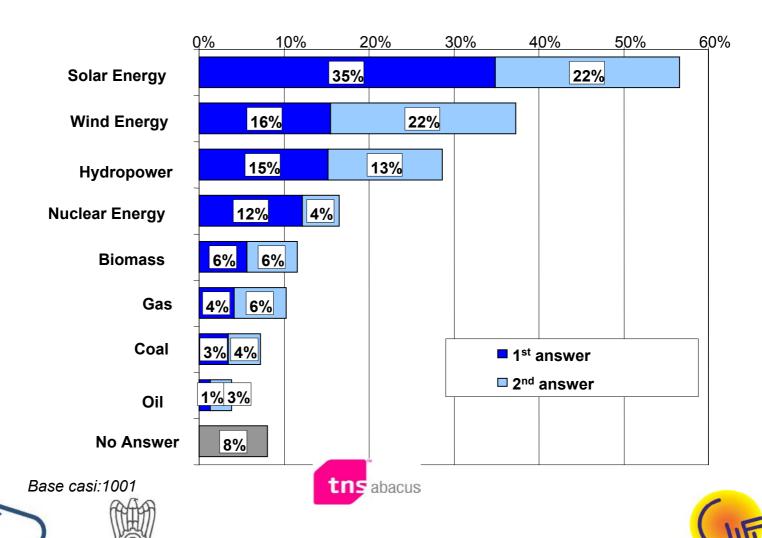
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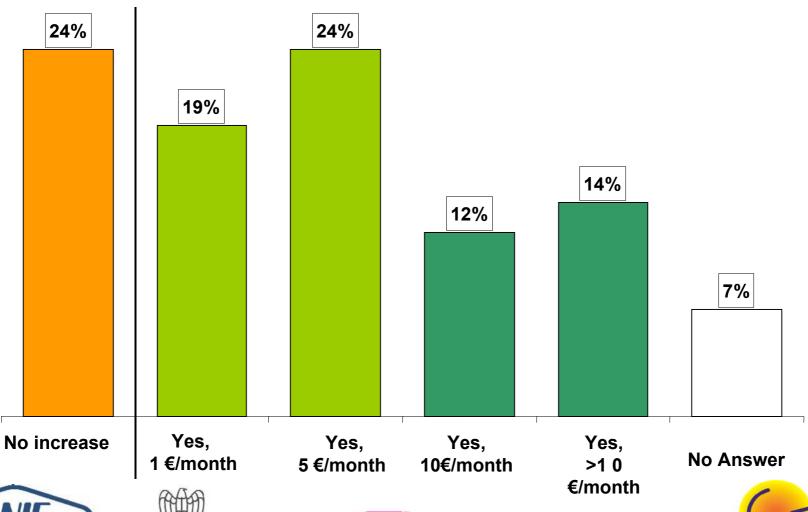


## Renewable Energies Most Wanted



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# Willingness to pay Higher Bill for Green Electricity









#### **ADVANTAGES OF FEED-IN TARIFF**

- Appropriate Tool to stimulate Industrial Investments
- Adequate Return on employed Capital
- No Financial Burden for Government
- No Bureacratic constraints
- Clear Financing Rules
- Easy Access to Credits / Bank System
- One unique set of rules for Whole Market
- Plant Performance becomes Driving Force
- Financial burden transfered
  - \* From National Budget → to Electricity Tariff
  - \* Impact on Tariff much smaller than curret CIP6







### Lobbying Actions of GIFI for Feed-in-Tariff

- GIFI Expectations presented to Ministry for Industry and for Environment and Energy Authority in 2002
- EU Directive on RE requires Acknowledgement by National Parliament
- First Draft of Italian Bill includes PV Feed-in-Tariff
- Final Draft does NOT mention Feed-in-Tariff
- GIFI Presentation to Chamber of Deputies
- GIFI suggestions accepted by Parliament
- Feed-in-Tariff included in Final Draft of Law
- Law approved on Dec 29th 2003
- Implementation of Directive by Ministry for Industry expected by August 15<sup>th</sup> 2004







#### **Main Items of New RE Law**

- Share of Electricity from RE increased
  - 2.35%/y from 2004
- No more subisidies to Energy from "Assimilabili" Sources
- Less Bureaucracy in Government Authorizations
- Net Metering for any RE Plants up to 20 kW
- "Special Tariff for PV plants which allows adequate RCE of investment costs"
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# What does GIFI expect from the Ministerial Implementing Directive

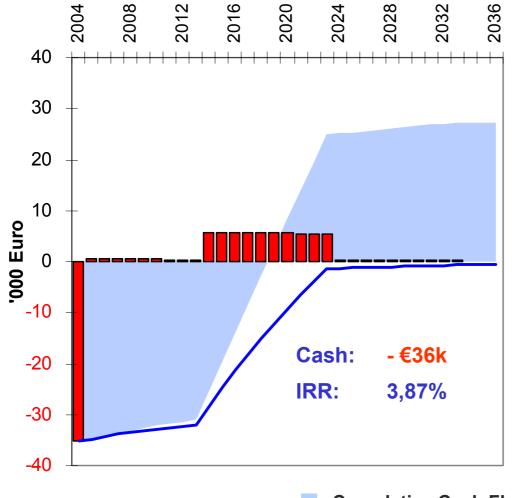
- Tariff and Duration should allow fair remuneration of PV Investment and possibility of recurring to project financing.
  - 0,60€/kWh for 20 years (better 0.95 €/kWh for 10 years)
- What is better: One unique tariff rate for all PV or different rates depending on application?
  - BIPV should be favoured
- Gradual Reduction in Coming Years
  - 1% in 2nd Year 5% at the end
- Maximum Capacity as per Italian White Book on REs
  - 300 MW by 2008 with possibility of being increased afterwards
- Grid interface Requirements should be reasonable and fair
- No Limits on Nominal Power
- Status of Implementation to be Monitored by Task Force







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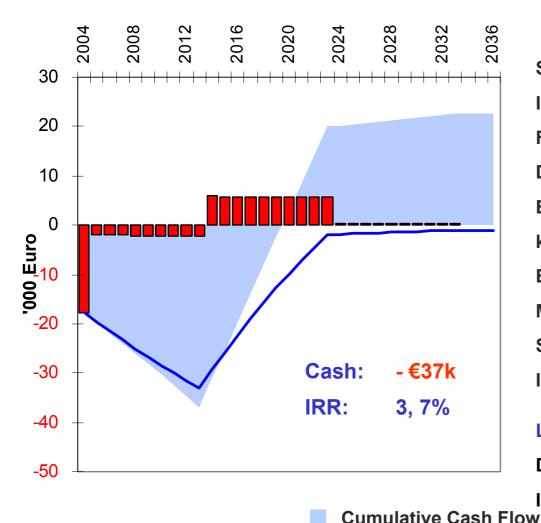


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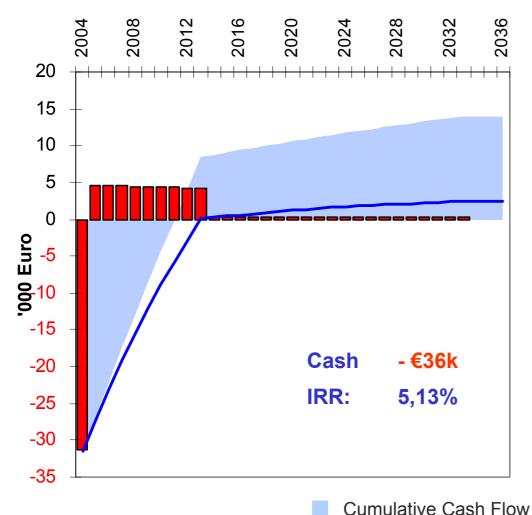


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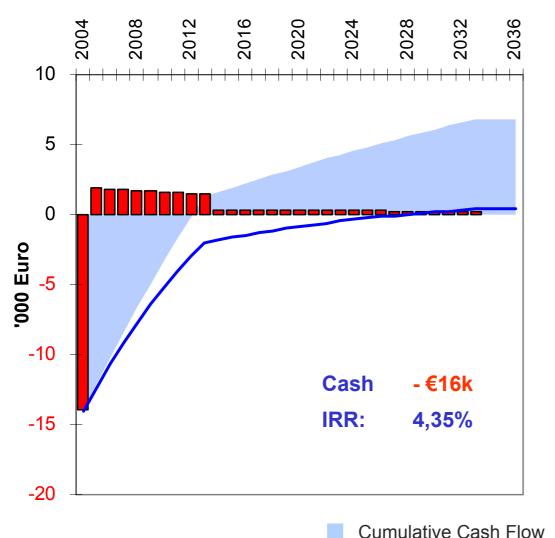


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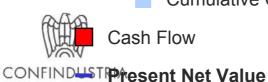
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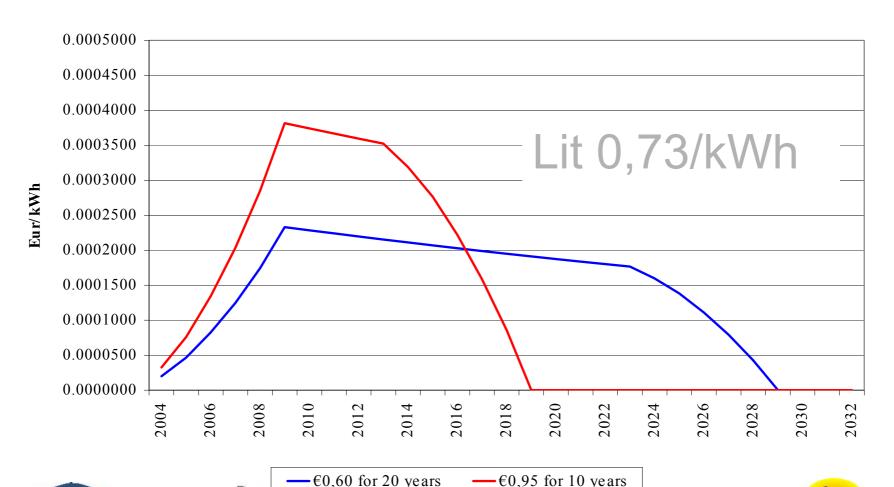
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# Impact on tariff: €0,6 for 20 years and €0,95 for 10 years

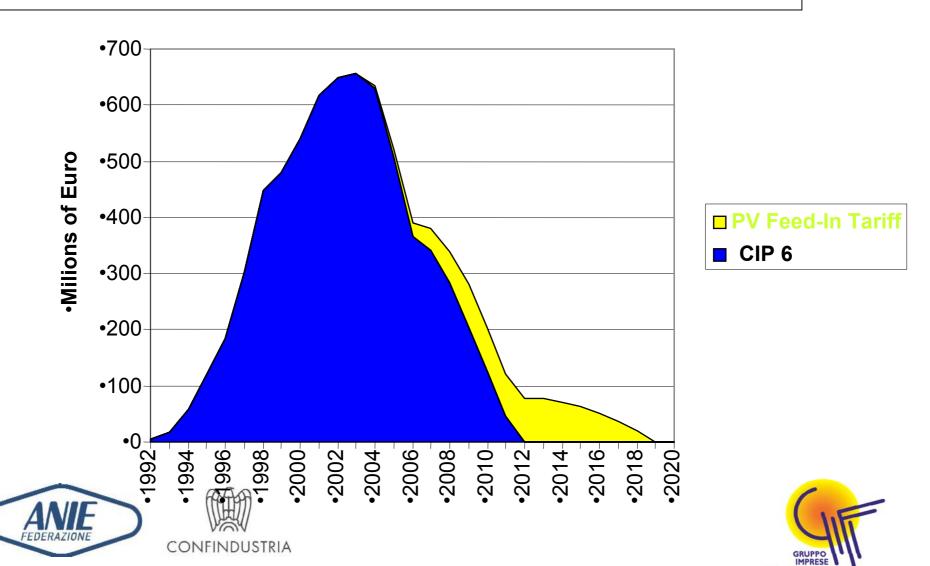


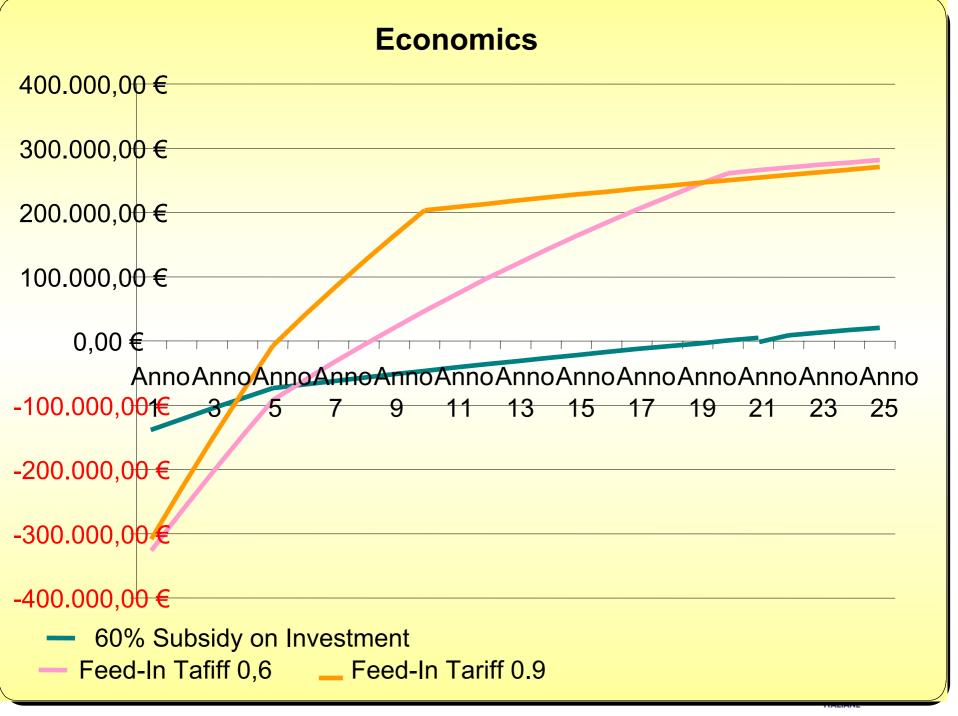






# Resources Needed to Finance Feed-In Tariff Much Lower than CIP6 Natural Reduction





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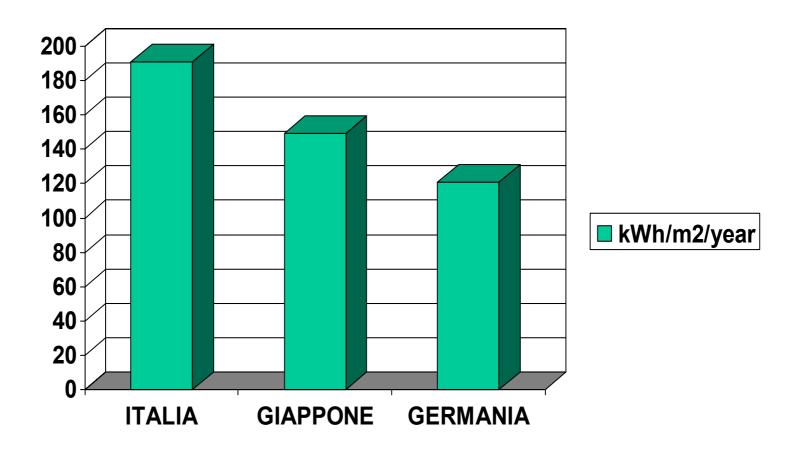
- High Level of Solar radiation
- Large Population
- Need of meeting White Paper Targets
- Consumers and SME's wish to get engaged and to act in favour of environment / climate







## Solar radiation in Italy, kWh/m²/year









## FEED-IN TARIFF DRIVING FORCE FOR FUTURE OF PV IN ITALY-(1)

- Opportunities Generated by PV
  - Environment Minded
  - Technology Innovation/Industrial investment
  - Direct & Indirect Manpower Increase
    - 1500 More Employed in 1st year
  - Economic Development in Italy's Sunny South
  - Growth of Export
    - Focal Point vs. Mediterranean Market
  - Dependence from Oil imports Reduced on medium terms/Diversification of Energy Sources







### **PV = INVESTMENT** in the FUTURE (2)

- PV will play a fundamental role for Italian economy in 2020
- GIFI is ready to play his role in this game
- Cooperation of all involved Actors mandatory
  - National & Local Governments
  - PV Operators
  - Industries
  - Building Association

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# Future of PV depends on us IT IS NOW TIME TO TAKE ACTION





