









The SWH Market in Lebanon:

A Massive Market Transformation

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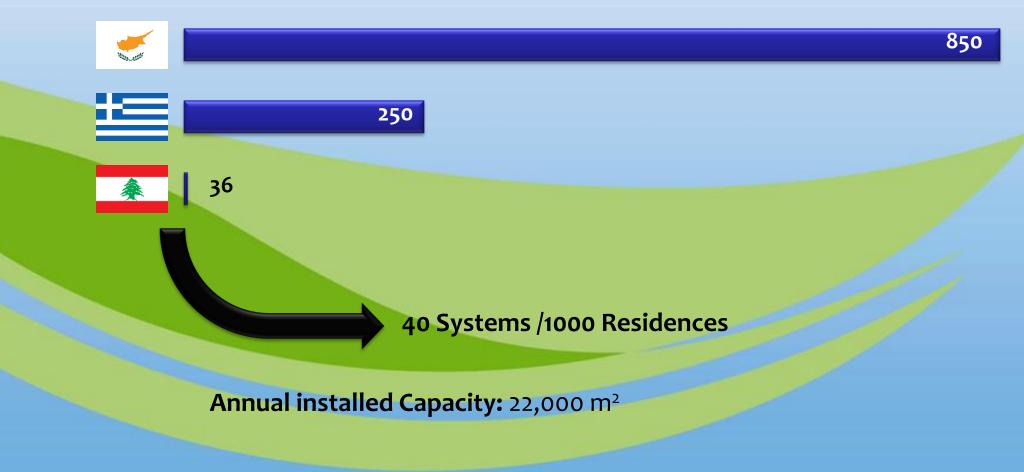
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An Indicator of Market development... or is it?



Some Figures From 2008





• **Duration:** June 2009 – June 2014

Donors & Budget:



GEF:

\$ 1,000,000



UNDP:

\$100,000

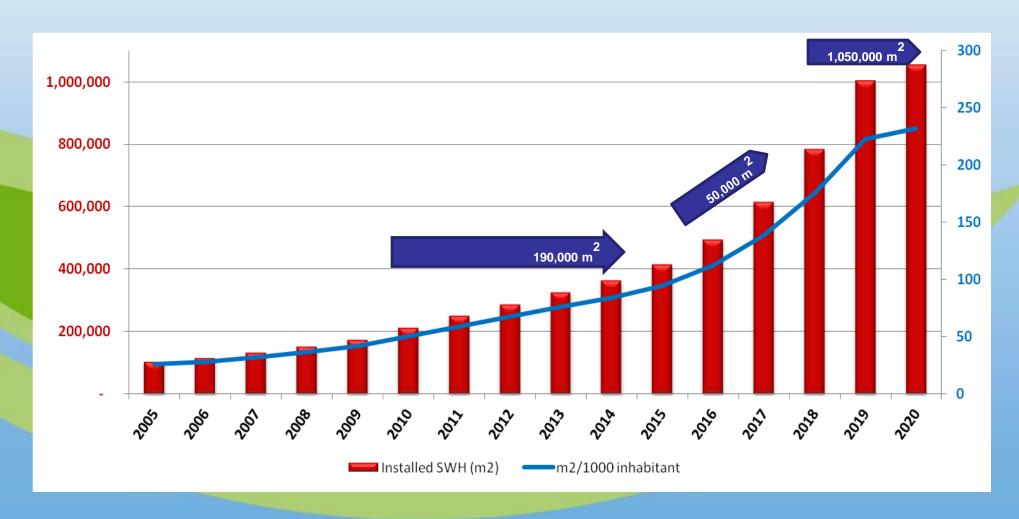


MEW:

\$40,660

Total:

\$1,140,660



Policy and financing mechanisms

Enabling environment to promote SWH market

Information and communication

Marketing and awareness raising on SWH strengthened

Technical and pilot projects implementation

in addition to certification and quality control schemes established

Management

institutionalization of support and lessons learnt



The First Awareness Raising Campaigns







The NEEAP of Lebanon



The MEW Initiative

- MEW proposed using 9.08 Million USD to implement three initiatives in energy conservation:
 - 7 Million USD to implement the 3 Million Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFL) project;
 - 1.5 Million USD to offer subsidies on Solar Water Heaters (SWH);
 - 0.58 Million USD to implement a national O&M plan on public street lighting;

The Financing Possibilities









The National Solar Water Heating Companies Qualification

SWHCOs Qualification

Some Figures From 2011

Installed Capacity (m²/1000 inhabitants)



71 Systems /1000 Residences

Annual installed Capacity: ~40,000 m²

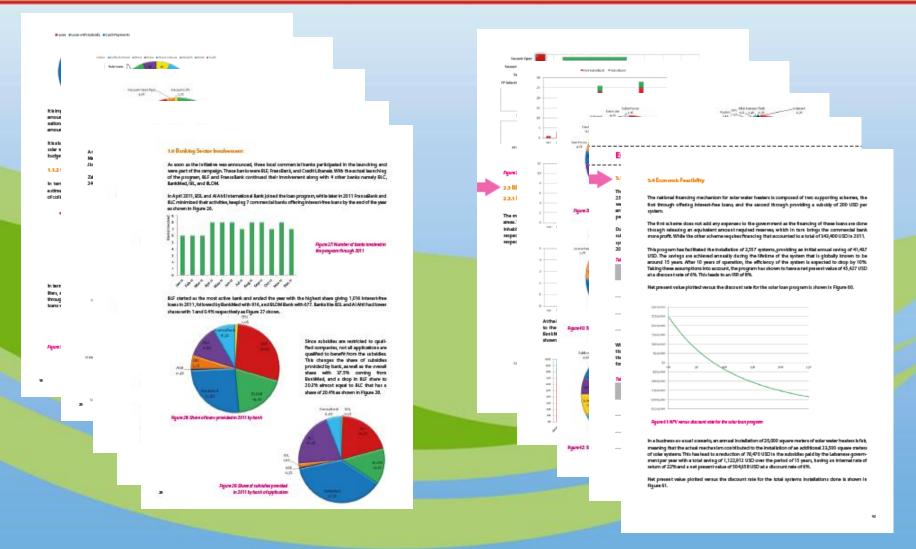
Results of SWH Subsidy Program The Beirut 2012 Version



Results of SWH Subsidy Program Report Released



Results of SWH Subsidy Program





The impact of the program



Jean Paul Sfeir GM, Solarnet

The loan introduction has energized the market. Some applicants did not apply for the loan but decided to install solar water heaters after hearing about such loan.

Elle Kanan

Kanaan Trading

The solar water heating market has risen significantly to become one of the leading markets in Lebanon. This initiative has proven to be a big step forward (...)

We applaud the LCEC for taking on an initiative of this magnitude, which included great advertising campaigns and a constructive relationship with the banking sector. It has allowed Lebanon to take a major green step towards a cleaner future for generations to come.

Jihad Ghorra

Manager, Solar Solutions

The solar loan was a real market mobilizer, also the campaign for the heaters was really good. During the year 2011 we had a growth of almost 35%

Toni Traboulsy GM, The Green Pact

The solar loan by BDL was a key in the implementation of "The National CDM Project for Solar Energy" where the initial model created did include subsidizing the interest in order to make solar water heaters widely available for the people who most need it but can't afford buying it.

(...) We can inform you that our sales have more than quadrupled during the second half of 2011 and the individual systems sold through BDL solar loan. The subsidized interest loan was a main catalyst among the other benefits provided through the project for this increase.

Rabih Shehayeb

GM, Kodorat

The BDL loan did a major impact on the market.

(...) Although very few companies where only qualified for most of the year 2011, the cash sales has increased a lot, mostly for the low cost units (\$600-\$700). This was because of the rise of interest in people minds about solar energy, and also the increased credibility of its performance - "if BDL is supporting this then it must be a good solution".

Zlad Doumit

GM, RenMed Energies

The solar loan by BDL is without any doubt a market mobilizer.



Results of SWH Subsidy Program

- ✓ 12,197 SOLAR WATER HEATERS ARE INSTALLED IN THE RESIDENTIAL SECTOR OF LEBANON IN 2011.
- ✓ THE ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE FOR SOLAR WATER HEATERS IN LEBANON REACHED 18,131,183 USD IN 2011.
- √ 3,557 CITIZENS BENEFITTED FROM INTEREST-FREE LOANS OFFERED AS PART OF THE NATIONAL FINANCING MECHANISM.
- 1,717 CITIZENS RECEIVED THE 200 USD GRANT SUBSIDIES OFFERED BY THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND WATER.
- 43,500 SQUARE METERS OF SOLAR WATER HEATERS COLLECTOR AREA IS INSTALLED IN 2011.
- 53 COMPANIES OUT OF 110 WORKING IN THE SOLAR WATER HEATERS SECTORS ARE QUALIFIED BY THE LEBANESE CENTER FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION (LCEC).
- ✓ 8 LEBANESE COMMERCIAL BANKS ARE INVOLVED IN THE NATIONAL FINANCING MECHANISM THROUGH THE LOAN APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE CENTRAL BANK OF LEBANON.
- 69% OF THE SYSTEMS INSTALLED AS PART OF THE NATIONAL FINANCING MECHANISM
 ARE VACUUM TUBES SYSTEMS WHILE 29% ARE FLAT PLATE SYSTEMS.
- ✓ SOLAR WATER HEATERS INSTALLATIONS SAVED A TOTAL OF 18,390 TONS OF CO2
 ANNUALLY AFTER EQUIVALENT.
- ✓ SOLAR WATER HEATERS INSTALLATIONS RESULT IN YEARLY SAVINGS OF 3,754,687 USD.

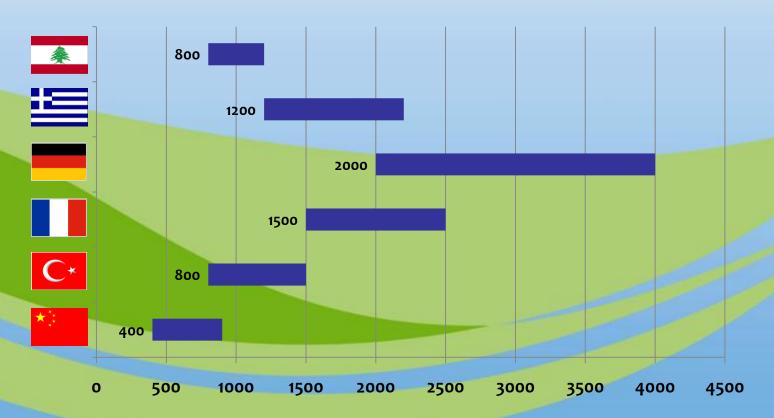
Average System Price



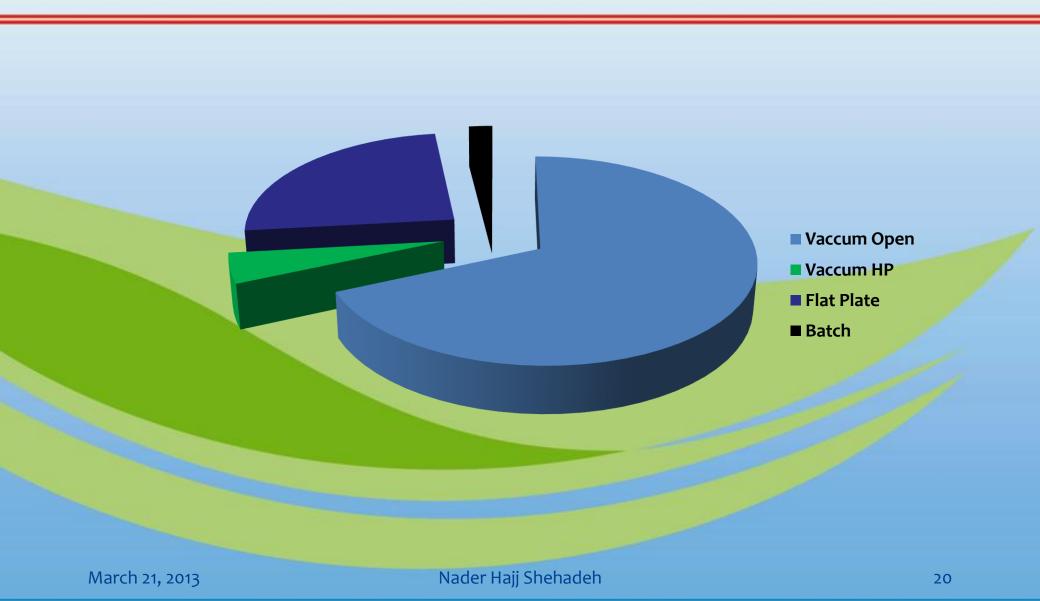
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Prices for a typical 200-liters SWH

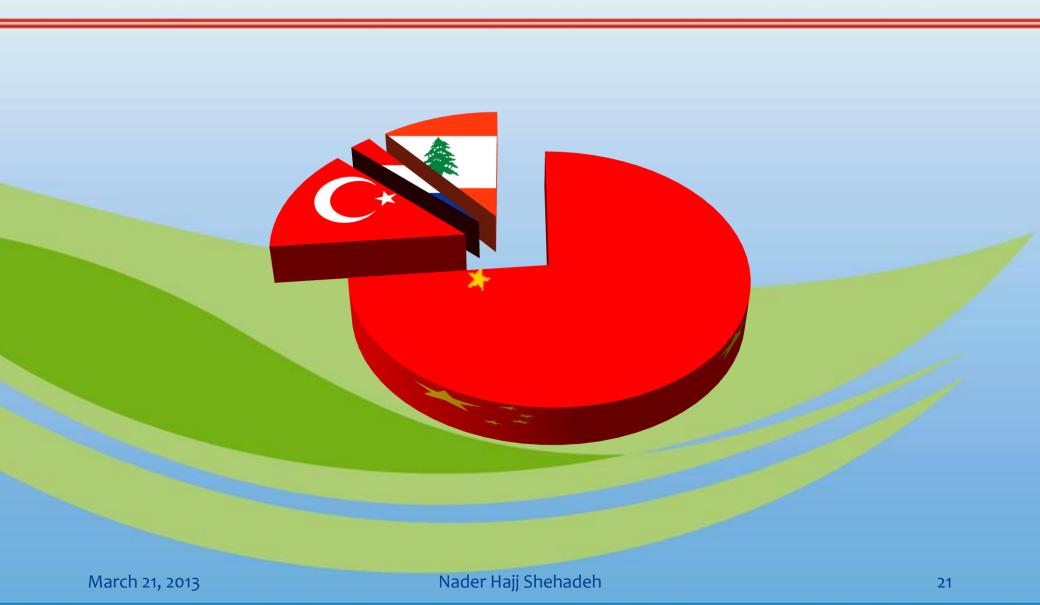




System Type: All Applications



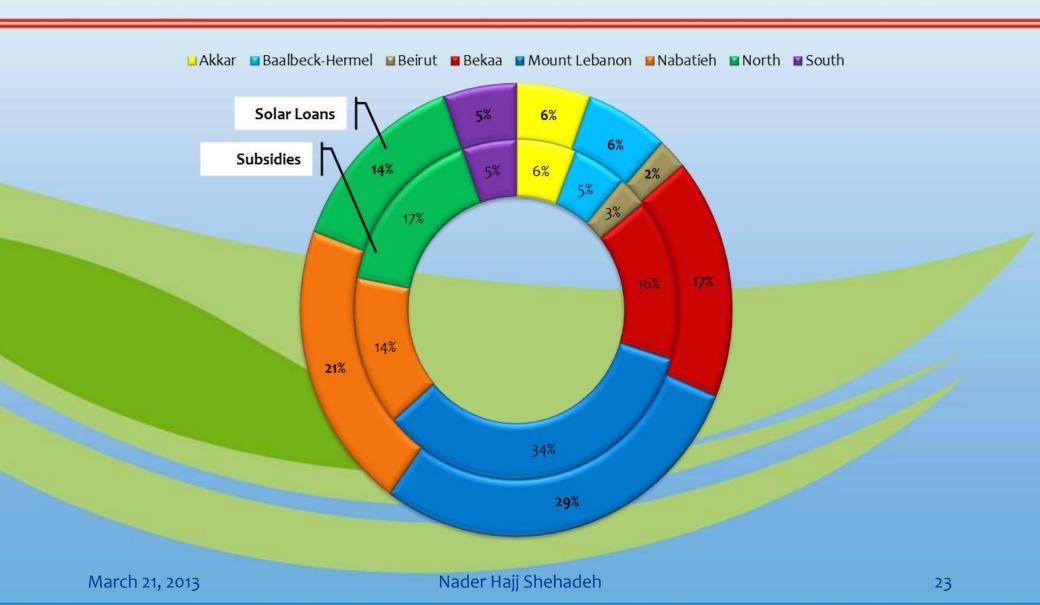
Country of Origin: All Applications



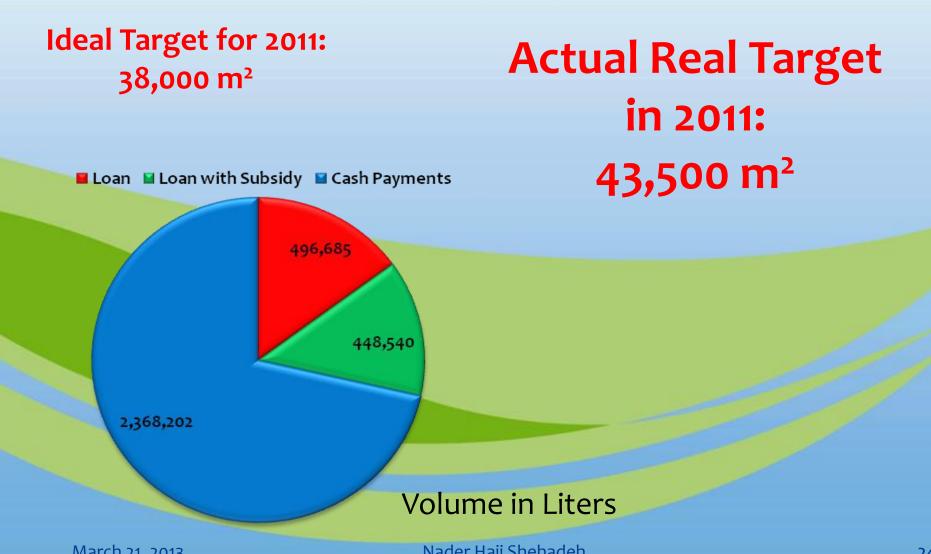
Country of Origin: Approved Applications



Geographic Distribution



Targets



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Final Thought

Believe you can and you're halfway there.

Thank You!



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