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### **About IRENA**





#### International Renewable Energy Agency – IRENA

#### **MANDATE**

To promote the widespread adoption and sustainable use of **all forms of renewable energy** worldwide

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To serve as a **network hub**, an **advisory resource** and an **authoritative**, **unified**, **global voice** for renewable energy

#### **SCOPE**

All renewable energy sources produced in a sustainable manner













BIOENERGY

GEOTHERMAL HYDROPOWER ENERGY

OCEAN ENERGY

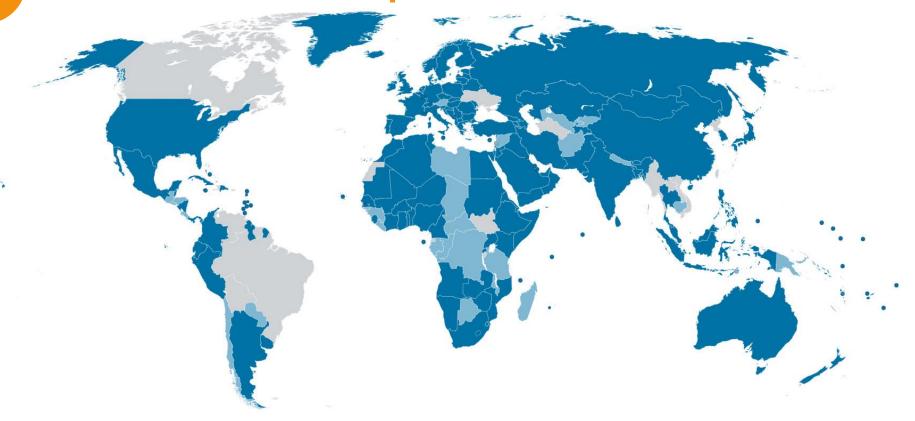
SOLAR ENERGY

WIND ENERGY





#### **IRENA's Membership**



- 149 Members
- 27 States in Accession

Mandate: Assist countries to accelerate RE deployment





#### **SIDS Lighthouses Initiative**

### Launched on 23 September 2014 at the Climate Summit, 34 SIDS & 19 Development Partners

#### **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE:**

- Enabling a sustainable energy transformation for people on the front line of climate change on small islands around the world
- Enhancing energy independence and economic prosperity on SIDS

#### **MAIN ELEMENTS:**

- Accelerated RE deployment in the power sector
- Well structured systems transitions
- Information Exchange
- Capacity Building

#### TARGETS by 2020:

- USD 500 mil mobilized
- 100 MW of new solar PV
- 20 MW of new wind
- Significant quantities of other RE technologies
- All participating SIDS have RE roadmaps





# About the REmap programme





#### **REmap**

- » IRENA's Global Renewable Energy Roadmap
- Shows feasible, cost-effective ways to increase renewable energy deployment in world's energy mix by 2030 in line with SDG7
- » Identifies concrete technology options for countries and sectors
- Assesses policy and investment implications
- Outlines benefits (economic, social, environmental)
- In cooperation with 50 countries
- 30 publications to date

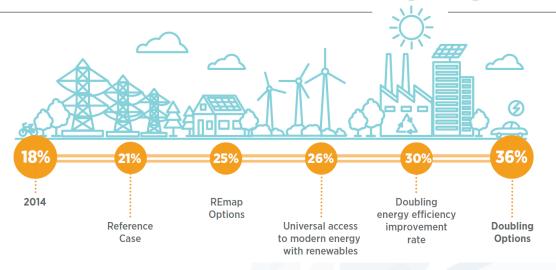






#### REmap 2016 edition highlights





- Doubling the share of renewable energy by 2030 is critical for the achievement of sustainable energy and climate change objectives
- Doubling renewables in the world's energy mix by 2030 will lead to savings exceeding costs up to 15 times
- The transition to renewables, with greater energy efficiency, can limit the global temperature increase to below 2 degrees
- Doubling the share of renewable energy by 2030 is feasible, but only with immediate, concerted action in transport, buildings and industry
- Doubling the world's renewable energy share requires concerted action, reinforcing growth in renewables with energy efficiency and universal access – the three pillars of SDG 7





## REmap Dominican Republic, main findings





### The energy situation in the Dominican Republic and the renewable energy drivers

#### **Key facts of the energy system**

- Demand is growing fast, 2% per annum in the past decade
- USD 5 billion per annum of fossil fuel imports, 7% of GDP and 90% of primary energy supply
- High operating costs of power generation, system largely based on hydrocarbons
- Electricity subsidies USD 1 billion per annum, 2% of GDP
- Electrification rate is 96%, lack of electricity access mostly in rural areas

#### **RE** drivers

- Affordable and sustainable energy supply
- Energy diversification
- Energy independence
- → Reduce the energy bill
- → Reduce GHG emissions
- Energy access





### General

#### Existing measures to integrate renewable energy

- The Law 57-07 provides a broad range of fiscal and financial incentives for power, liquid biofuels, solar thermal and storage technologies
- Climate change NDC target: 25% reduction of GHG emissions by 2030 compared to 2010 the level in 2010 (3.6 tonnes of  $CO_2$ -eq per capita)

#### Power

- The Law 57-07, set a non-binding renewable energy target of 10% and 25% for 2015 and 2025 respectively
- Net-metering (residential and comercial)
- Rural electrification carried out with RE technologies (small hydro and PV)

#### **End-use sectors**

#### **Transport**

 The Law 57-07 includes provisions for liquid biofuels: basis to implement blending mandates; fiscal incentives; reference price setting

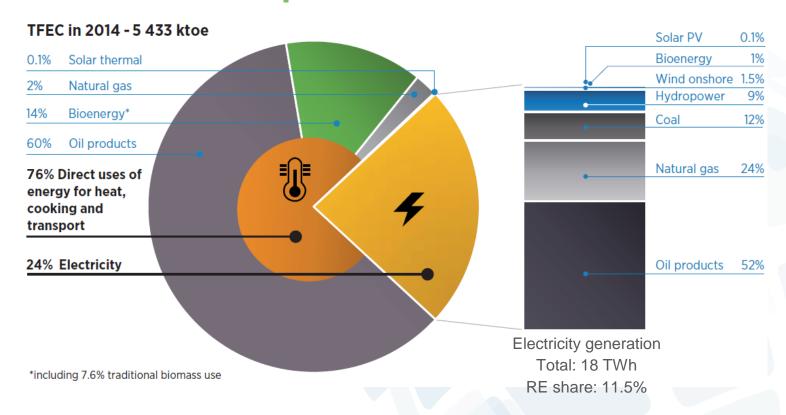
#### **Buildings and Industry**

 Law 57-07 provides fiscal incentives for bioenergy production and solar thermal installations





### **Total final energy mix in 2014 in the Dominican Republic**



In 2014, the RE share in total final energy of the Dominican Republic stood at 16.3% (8.7% modern renewables and 7.6% traditional bioenergy use)

Power generation is predominantly based on hydrocarbons





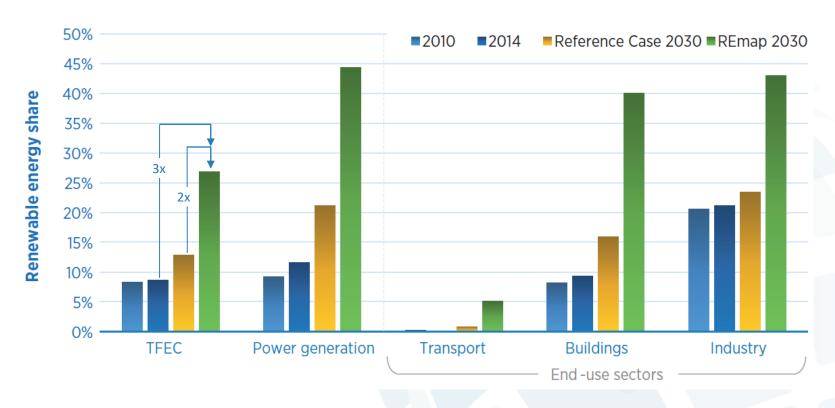
### **Energy developments to 2030 in the Reference Case (baseline)**

- Based on preliminary results of the CNE energy demand projections for 2013-2030 other data for the power sector shared by CNE
- Total energy demand to grow by 41% in 2010-2030 to 7 685 ktoe
- Share of modern RE in final energy mix reaches 13% in 2030
- Power sector
  - Doubling of annual electricity generation from 18 TWh to 36 TWh
  - Coal generation 10 TWh, oil 12.2 TWh (mainly fuel oil and diesel), natural gas 5.3 TWh by 2030
  - RE share in the power sector reaches 21%, compared to 11.5% in 2014: mainly hydropower and wind onshore
- Renewables in end-use sectors see limited additions (mainly bioenergy)





#### What could be achieved based on REmap Options



The modern RE share in final energy use in REmap can double in 2030 with respect to the Reference Case (baseline) and triple when compared to 2014

Note: End-use sectors include renewable energy consumption from direct uses and electricity; RE share in Buildings and TFEC excludes traditional uses of bioenergy

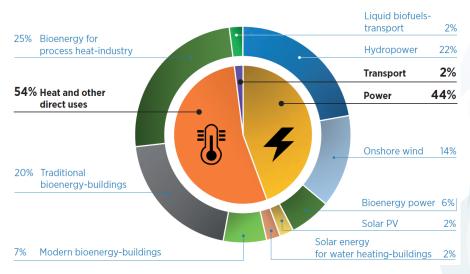




### What is the mix of renewables in the baseline and what can be realised in REmap by 2030

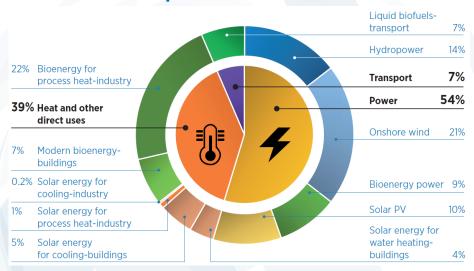
Shares of total RE use in TFEC by technology and sector

#### RE use in the Reference Case: 1234 ktoe



Reference Case: 13% modern RE share and 3% traditional bioenergy

#### RE use in REmap: 2080 ktoe



REmap: 27% modern RE share (all traditional uses of biomass substituted)

Total **RE use** attains **2 080 ktoe by 2030 with REmap Options**, half of it is from **modern bioenergy** 

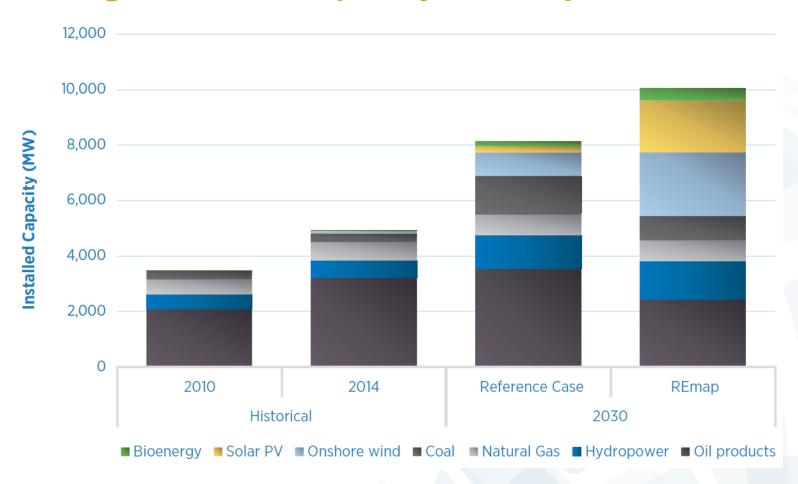
Onshore wind and solar technologies also play a major role







#### Power generation capacity developments

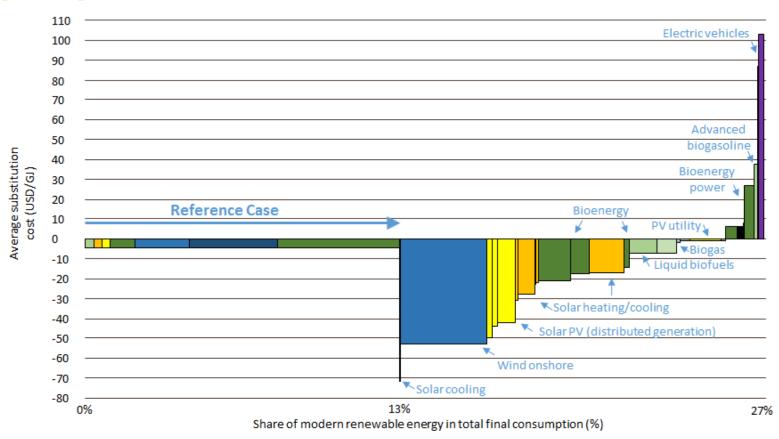


All RE sources for power generation have the potential to grow beyond current plans by 2030





### Cost-supply curve of REmap Options, government perspective



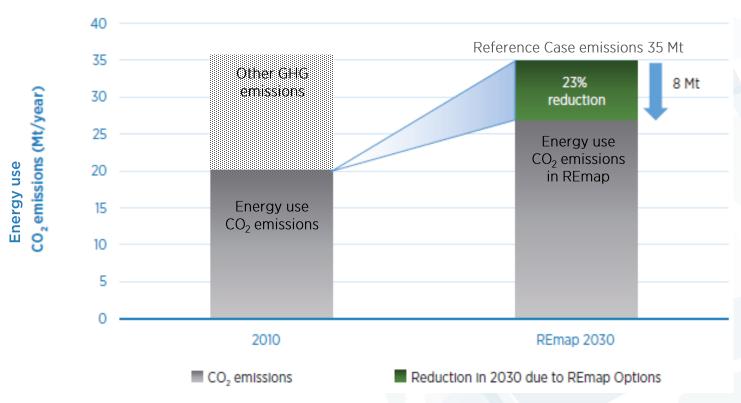
More than 80% of REmap Options are cost-competitive when compared to the non-renewable energy alternative





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### CO<sub>2</sub> emission reductions from RE would be an important step to achieve the targets in the NDC



Target: 25% GHG emissions reduction by 2030, compared to 3.6 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>-eq per capita in 2010

Lower fossil fuel combustion from renewables in REmap reduces energy related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to 2.3 tonnes per capita per year by 2030, compared to 2.9 tonnes per capita in the Reference Case





### The energy transition is affordable and makes economic sense

Annual energy system costs and savings in 2030 (Government perspective, Remap vs Reference Case)		
(USD million per year in 2030)		
System costs from REmap Options	-1 020	
Industry	-165	
Buildings	-130	
Transport	190	
Power	-915	
Savings from reduced externalities	1 060 to 4 280	
Reduced human health externalities (indoor and outdoor air pollution)	900 to 3500	
Reduced externalities from climate change	160 to 760	
System costs from Remap Options and reduced externalities	-2 075 to - 5 300	
Incremental subsidy needs	160	

#### REmap could result in savings of up to USD 5.3 billion per year in 2030

Most of the RE options are cost-effective; most expensive options are found in the transport sector (under government perspective)



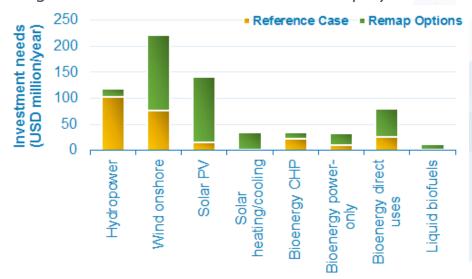


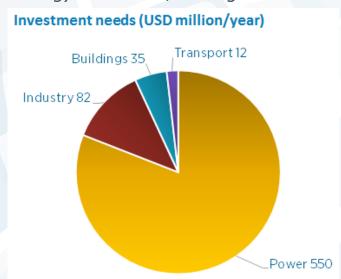
#### Investment needs by RE source

**Investments (annual average between today and 2030)** (USD million per year in 2030)

	2015-2030
Total investment needs (REmap Options)	422
Total RE investment needs (REmap Options and Reference Case)	680

Average annual investment needs in REmap by sector RE technology and sector, average 2015-2030





#### Annual investment needs for REmap at USD 680 million in 2015-2030

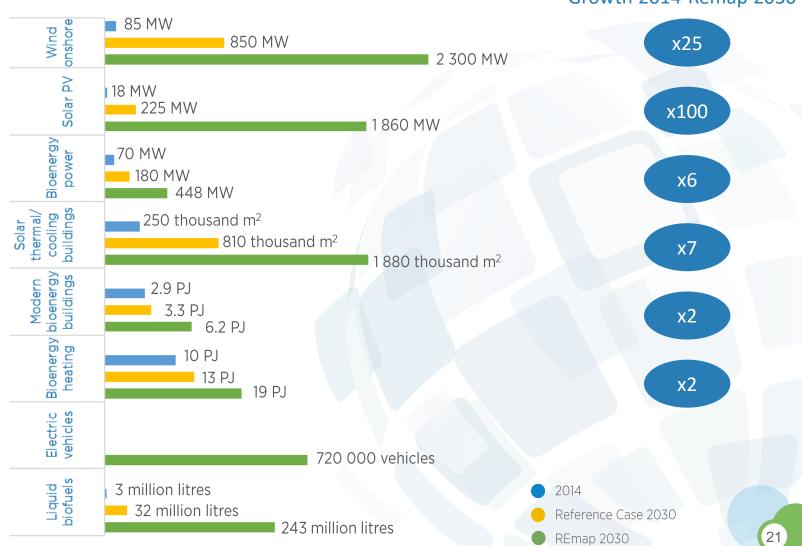
Addition of USD 422 million to Reference Case 80% of investments in power sector





#### **Growth in selected technologies**

#### Growth 2014-Remap 2030







# REmap Dominican Republic, challenges and action areas to an accelerated RE growth





### Institutional and economic challenges in the power sector

- Long-term vision needs to emerge with intermediate renewable energy targets and necessary incentives to realise the RE potential
- Maintain consistency between the national energy plan and national development strategies
- Provide a stable and attractive environment for investment, based on strong institutional and regulatory frameworks
- Regulatory framework that allows the implementation of the changes required in the planning and operational procedures of the power sector, to integrate large shares of VRE

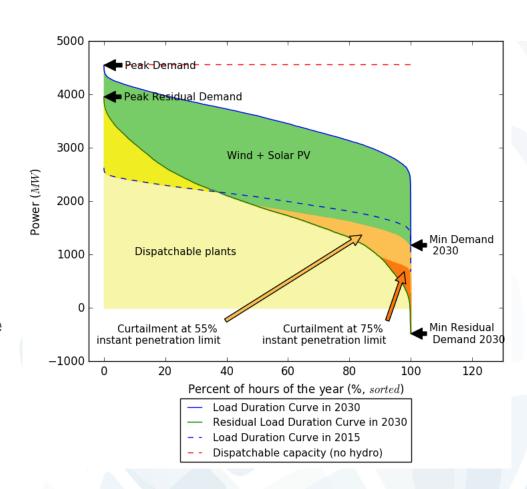




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#### Generation adequacy and flexibility needs

- At least 4 GW of dispatchable generation (both renewable and nonrenewable) required
  - To cover peak power demand with low VRE generation
- Incorporating flexibility needs into long-term generation expansion plans with corresponding intermediate targets is essential
- Appropriate financial mechanisms are required in order to guarantee that the firm capacity, alongside flexibility services are available.
  - Financial mechanisms should consider the new reduced utilisation of dispatchable plants



Conventional generation would be used less amount of time, but still required; incentives should ensure that this type of generation is available





#### **Transmission system needs**



- Wind: location based on assessment by the Worldwatch Insitute
- Solar PV: installed close to the main load centres
  - this includes distributed generation and utility scale projects in Santiago and Santo Domingo areas

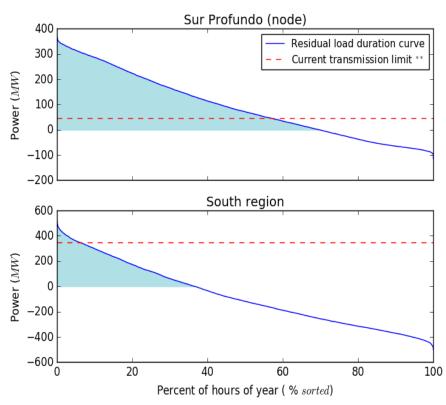
Overview diagram of existing transmission system and power generation plants

Source: CNE maps, <a href="http://mapas.cne.gob.do/">http://mapas.cne.gob.do/</a>





#### Transmission system adequacy



\*\* Source: Transmission system restrictions study for 2016-2019, OC-SENI 2015

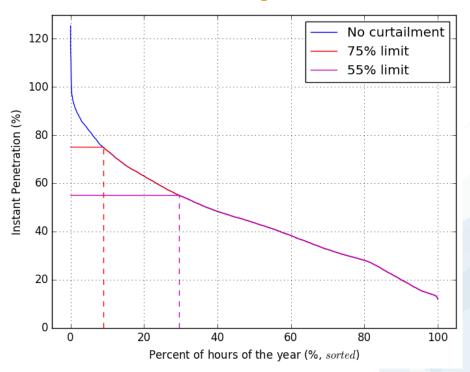
#### **Transmission network analysis:**

- Production of wind power and demand for power was calculated for each subzone
  - Net load (power demand minus VRE generation) can be negative
- This means that there would be a need to export power from these, to other subzones
- Transmission system must be expanded so that Wind power can be transmitted to the bigger load centres
  - Otherwise curtailments due to transmission congestions are likely
- Transmission system planning must be coordinated with VRE projects
- Strategies for financing the required network upgrades must be investigated





#### Instantaneous penetration of VRE



- Up-to 10% of total electricity that could be generated by renewables by 2030 may need to be curtailed to guarantee system security (55% limit)
- The use of the most up-to-date technologies and operational practices in the future may help reduce curtailment to less than 2% (75% limit)
- System must be carefully analysed to identify penetration limits
- Reasons for the constraints must be identified and solved
- Required and acceptable levels of curtailment have to be evaluated
- Forward looking grid codes and operational practices could help to allow higher instantaneous penetration of VRE





#### **Key policy recommendations**

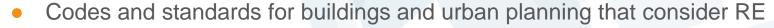
#### **Power sector**

 RE targets consistent with national strategies and a stable institutional and regulatory framework with the right economic incentives



- Enough dispatchable generation to provide firm capacity and flexibility
- Transmission planning in line with RE targets and different balancing measures to manage grid congestion
- Generation and transmission capacity measures that enable economic levels of curtailment of renewable energy
- Appropriate incentives and market mechanisms for flexibility

#### **End-use sectors**





- Strategy for RE use in industry considering techno-economic factors
- Create a market for liquid biofuels and promote electric mobility
- Targets for bioenergy use in applications lacking other RE alternatives





### Next steps, how to support the Dominican Republic on its energy transition





#### Further power system studies

- Achieving the REmap case requires further detailed technical and economic studies focusing on operating and planning the interconnected systems with high shares of variable renewable energy
- IRENA could support the Dominican Republic during the realization of these in-depth studies particularly in the next areas:
  - Long-term planning models adapted to account for high shares of VRE
  - Dispatch optimization of a power mix with high VRE, to shed light on operating costs, reliability constraints, etc.
  - Power system studies to identify VRE limits and transmission constraints





#### **Project Navigator**

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- » Mini-grids
- » Small hydro
- » Bioenergy
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#### The Sustainable Energy Marketplace

**Objective:** to support **initiation**, **development** and **financing** of sustainable energy projects by:

- >> Improving the transparency of the market
- » Offering IRENA's tools and databases for market players
- Supporting projects at the development stage





