# Sweden's renewable energy policies towards 2020 and 2030

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## **The Swedish Energy System**





## Share of renewable energy (calculated as in RESD)



Sverige	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2020
RES-total	47,3%	47,8%	48,8%	51,0%	52,0 %	52,6 %	54,8% (projection) Burden sharing according to RESD = 49%
RES- transport	Minst 7,4%	Minst 8,0%	9,4%	12,6%	17,0%	19,2%	



## **Renewables- Progress II**



Wind power production was over 16 TWh 2015 compared to 1 TWh 2006





## How did we get there?

## General policy instruments

- Energy tax on electricity and fuels since decades
- Carbon dioxide taxation since 1991
- Green certificate system for RE since 2003
- Emissions trading of CO2 in EU

## Targeted instruments

- Information and education, innovation and RD&D
- Various specific programmes and support schemes over the years



## Swedish Energy and CO<sub>2</sub> taxation 1924 – 2015, *Basic Design (I)*

#### • Excise duties on energy – two components:

- Energy tax on fuels and electricity.
- CO<sub>2</sub> tax on fossil fuels.

#### • Energy tax:

 Introduced in: 1924 petrol ; 1951 electricity ; 1957 oils and coal ; 1964 LPG ; 1985 natural gas ; 2013 low blended bio in motor fuels.

#### • CO<sub>2</sub> tax:

- Based on fossil carbon content of fuels.
- Introduced in 1991, along with existing energy tax. Part of major general tax reform.
- CO<sub>2</sub> tax achieves cost effective emission reductions.



## Swedish Energy and CO2 Taxation 1924 – 2015, Basic Design (II)

- **CO<sub>2</sub> tax:** Same level of for fossil motor and heating fuels, per ton fossil CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Two levels of CO<sub>2</sub> tax for heating fuels, per ton CO<sub>2</sub>
  - high for households and service (27  $€^1$  in 1991; 123 € in 2015)
  - *low* for sectors at risk of carbon leakage = industry, agriculture and heat production in combined heat and power plants.
    - In 1991: 7 €; in 2015 outside EU ETS 74 €, within EU ETS industry and CHP 0 €.
    - The alternative would have been an overall much lower tax level for all operators, resulting in significantly lower environmental results.
    - Border Tax Adjustments have never been an alternative considered in Sweden.
- Energy tax: Two tax levels for heating fuels and electricity
  - high for households and service.
  - low for industry (within and outside EU ETS) and agriculture.

<sup>1</sup> Exchange rate  $1 \in = 9,0932$  SEK is used throughout this presentation (Official rate per 1 October 2014, 2014/C344/O3)



# Development of the Swedish CO2 Tax

**General Level and Industry Level** 





# The electricity certificate system-Principles

 Yearly obligation on demand of certificates



- Technology neutral
- No financing from the state
- Enable international harmonisation







# Deployed RES-E in the certificate system in Sweden



The decrease in 2013 is due to the phase out of old plants from the certificate system, mainly hydro and biomass plants



## A common market with Norway

Sol Normalised electricity production Bio **2014** counting to the common target Vind NO: 1,7 TWh Vatten SE: 8,6 TWh SE1 28,4 30 26.4 75 SE2 NO3 NO1 +10.3NO5 SE3 +6.2 +3.7 2012 2013 2014 2016 2015 2017 2018 2019 2020 SE4 2.93 TWh/år (26.4 TWh till 2020) Vorge Sverige

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## Spot prices at major brokers



Källa: CisanWorld, ICAP och Svensk Kraftmäkling

The current electricity certificate price is about 136 swedish crowns per certificate (SEK/MWh) equivalent to about 14 EUR/MWh



## **Price for consumers**



#### Between 2 and 5 EUR/MWh, 2003-2015



# Swedish energy policy for challenges ahead

#### • Objectives for 2020

- at least 50 % RE of total energy use
- at least 10 % RE in transport
- 20 % more efficient energy use
- 40 % reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (non-ETS)

#### • Vision ...

- By 2020, fossil fuels for heating will be phased out
- By 2030, Sweden should have a vehicle stock that is independent of fossil fuels
- By 2050, a sustainable and resource-efficient energy system and no net emissions of green house gases
- Ambition to have a 100% renewable energy system in the longer term



# **Recent policy initiatives**

- Increased ambition for the electricity certifcate system to 2020 (finance 30 TWh to 2020 compared to 2002)
- Tax reduction for micro-generation of electricity
- Reduced percentage of investment support for solar power but increased budget to this aim
- Support for storage for households with own electricity production
- A strategy on solar is being developed



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# **Terms of reference**

### Task:

Propose the basis for a broad agreement on long term energy policy, with particular emphasis on the electricity sector.

Time horizon : 2025/2030 and beyond.

### Work divided into three phases :

Knowledge phase Analytical work Negotiations

Timeline: 1st of January 2017



# Main challenges and issues

#### Challenges

- Changing energy landscape new roles, new actors
- Power system (plants and grid) is ageing
- Surplus of energy/low electricity prices, no willingness to invest
- Will there be sufficient electricity supply every single hour?
- Long lead times for any new investment
- How to secure R&D and innovation?

#### Issues

- Long-term goals and vision where should we be heading?
- How to reinforce an efficient use of energy and electricity?
- How do we replace nuclear? Timing?
- Is there a need to adapt electricity market design?
- Which policy measures are needed, e.g. taxes, support systems, regulation?



# Some words on coming EU regulation

- Avoid more administration for just renewables
- ➢ Governance→ strong and predictable, at least 27% RES to 2030 has to be achieved!
- ➤ Support schemes → still up to each MS to decide on geographical scope
- $\succ$  Cooperation  $\rightarrow$  voluntary basis, KOM facilitator
- ➢ Market design → improvements can be made but should apply for all technologies
- ➤ Heat&cooling→this sector needs more focus, externalities has to be included
- ➤ Transport → a strategy for decreasing emissions after 2020 including e-mobility, efficient transports and biofuels is needed.





## Thank you for your attention!

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