## The CDM in China Review and Outlook

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## The CDM in China

- China provides more than 50% of the global Certified Emission Reductions (CERs) and EU based entities are buying more than 80% of these CERs
- As of 01 October 2008, China has 271 projects registered with the CDM Executive Board (EB) of UNFCCC (annual CERs of 117 MtCO2eq.)
- In total, 1445 CDM projects have been approved by the Designated National Authority (DNA) of China until 01 October 2008







# The Designated National Authority (DNA) of China and CDM Policy

The National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) holds the key role for CDM policy and measures in China:

- CDM Board
- DNA
- National Leading Group on Climate Change
- National Coordination Committee on Climate Change





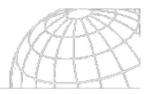


## **CDM** Pipeline, Registered Projects, and Global View

- ✓ After a rapid growth in 2006, China hosts 35% of the global CDM projects and 56% of the annual CERs (pipeline).
- More than 150 new projects are approved by China's DNA per quarter and 40% of the global pipeline 'at validation' is in China.







## Chinese CDM Projects in the Pipeline (01/10/2008)

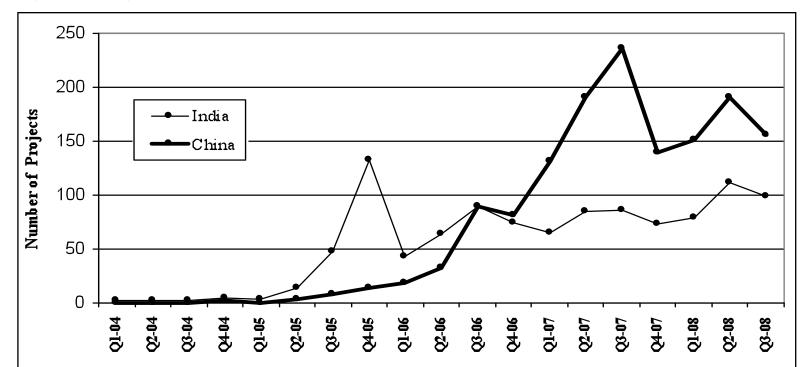
Status	Number of China CDM	Number of world-wide CDM	China's share in world-wide CDM projects	China Annual CER (MtCO2eq.)	China's share in world-wide annual CER
	Projects	Projects	(%)		(%)
Registered	271	1170	23.2	117	52
Registration	47	80	58.8	31.69	77
Request					
Correction	53	94	56.4	n/a	
Request					
At	1042	2565	40.6	156.6	55
Validation					
Under	20	41	48.8	n/a	
review					
Review	12	17	70.6	n/a	
Request					
Total	1445	4064	35.6	305.3	56







#### China's CDM Projects in the Pipeline (per Quarter) from Q1/2004 – Q3/2008









### **CDM Project Types, Size and Trends**

- ✓ 50% of the project in the Chinese CDM pipeline is from Hydropower, followed by Windpower (18%) and Energy Efficiency (16%)
- The average project size is decreasing. The number of Biomass and Biogas Projects has doubled in 2008







#### Variation of CDM project size

Project Type	<b>Project Size Variation</b>	<b>Project Type</b>	<b>Project Size Variation</b>
Biogas	- 42.7	Hydro	+18.6
Biomass Energy	+29.5	Landfill Gas	-28.4
CBM/CMM	- 24.5	N2O	-28.3
EE for own generation	- 36.7	Reforestation	+26.9
Fossil Fuel Switch	+16.5	Wind	+9.3
HFCs	+3.5	Total	-48.7

Variation of CDM project size between registered and overall Pipeline (% of average CER in ktCO2eq/yr/project)

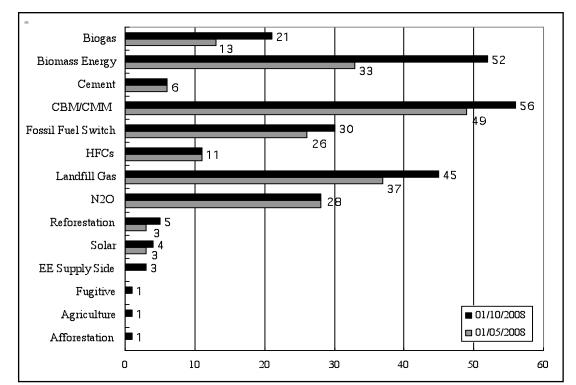






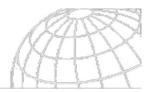
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for 01/05/2008 and 01/10/2008

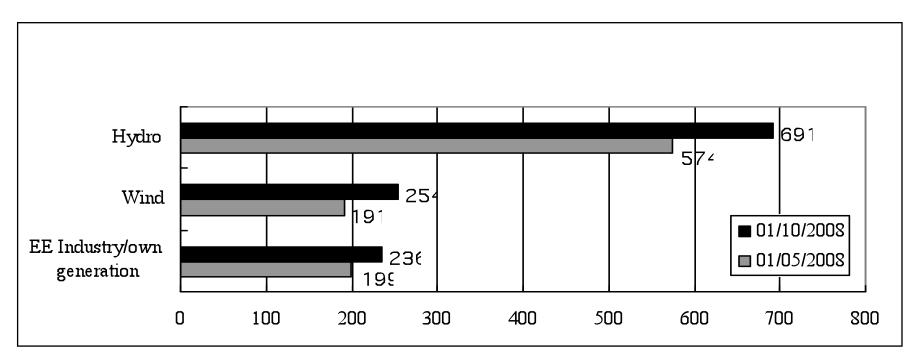








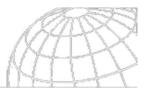
#### **China CDM Pipeline per sector type**



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#### **Issuance Rates of CERs**

- High variation in CER issuance (min. 12% - max. 132% for Windpower)
- CDM Projects are vulnerable to low performance (lower issuance of CERs than calculated in PDD)
- Experienced PDD writer is important for performance





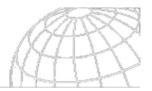


## Risks associated with monitoring through to the CER issuance process

CDM project cycle	Delivery risk	
	1. Delay in operation	
Manitaving	2. Technology mismatch and underperformance	
Monitoring	3. Mismatch between monitoring plan in PDD and	
	actual emission reduction	
	1. DOE capacity bottleneck	
Verification	2. UNFCCC capacity bottleneck	
	3. Limited verification guidance	







## **CDM Regional Dimensions**

The regional dimensions for the CDM market in China are important:

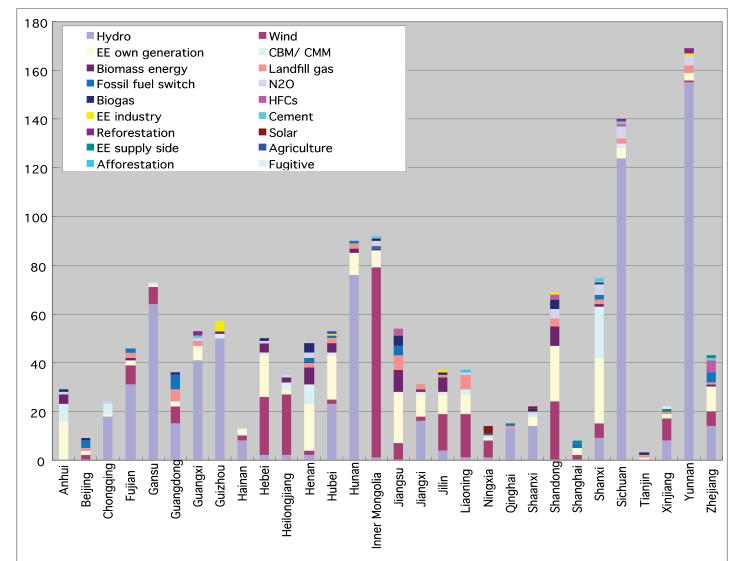
- a. the availability of natural resources
- b. different policy initiatives/incentives in the provinces support the CDM development at different scale



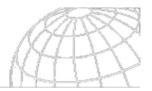




#### Number of CDM projects per type and province in China





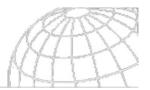


#### **Project Owners**

- Large-scale state-owned enterprises (SOEs) own 25-30% of the Chinese CDM projects
- Municipal Enterprises and investment groups (Mes) own 65-70% of the Chinese CDM projects







#### **Developers of CDM Projects**

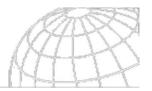
Chinese Project Developers (#~160) are:

- academic institutions
- ✓ regional CDM service centres
- consultant companies

The top 20 developers produced 45% of the EB-registered projects (55% of annual CERs)







#### Buyers of CERs

- ✓ 80% of the Chinese CERs are bought by EU entities (of which 40% are based in the UK, mostly carbon funds)
- More than 60% of the CERs will be bought by funds and aggregators, the remaining 40% by banks, industrials, utilities, and multi-laterals and/or governments.







#### **Designated Operational Entities (DOEs)**

- The Designated Operational Entities are a bottleneck in the CDM approval procedure (too many projects)
- DNV and TUEV-SUED are the responsible DOEs for 75% of the Chinese CDM pipeline
- ✓ No Chinese DOE has been approved yet (3 applicants)







## **Strengths and Challenges of the Chinese CDM Market**

#### Strengths

- ✓ The Chinese CDM market is mature and has a strong political support
- Incentives make the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy CDM market strong
- ✓ Challenges of the Chinese CDM Market

#### Challenges

- The investment and financing market are not attractive for international developers (51/49 ownership rule)
- Regional CDM service centers play a less important role for tapping the resources than expected.







#### **Preferred Sectors and Project Size**

- EU buyers prefer advanced and large CDM status projects (CERs >100 ktCO2eq./year)
- "low delivery risk" sectors and methodologies
- ✓ Preferred Sectors are Biogas, Wind, Energy Efficiency and Fuel Switch

