SUCCESSFUL MODELS FOR CLEAN AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY DIFFUSION IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Energy Technology in Chile: Review of a Case With Mixed Results

Background

- Chile: Middle income country
- Economically: a relatively successful story
- Socially: inequality major issue
- Environmentally: mixed results

Energy Technology and Environment: Issues

- Transport
 - Biofuels
 - Hybrid
- Home heating/cooking
 - Firewood
 - Solar thermal panels
- New Renewables (non conventional renewables)

Some Reflections

- A large potential is not enough to drive innovation and diffusion
- Public sector initiative is essential
- For most actors, there are opportunities and problems which come "before". They get on the way...
- There must be a real and clear problem sustained in time
- The problem must be faced in all its dimensions: it's a systemic issue.

THANK YOU

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