# European Solar Thermal markets

# Developments and framework conditions

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# Introducing ESTIF

- European Solar Thermal Industry Federation
- Representing the solar heating and cooling sector at EU level
- 105 members, representing >95% of the market
- A founding member of EREC
- Based in the Renewable Energy House, Brussels



#### Thanks!!!

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#### Building + solar thermal: the old add-on approach



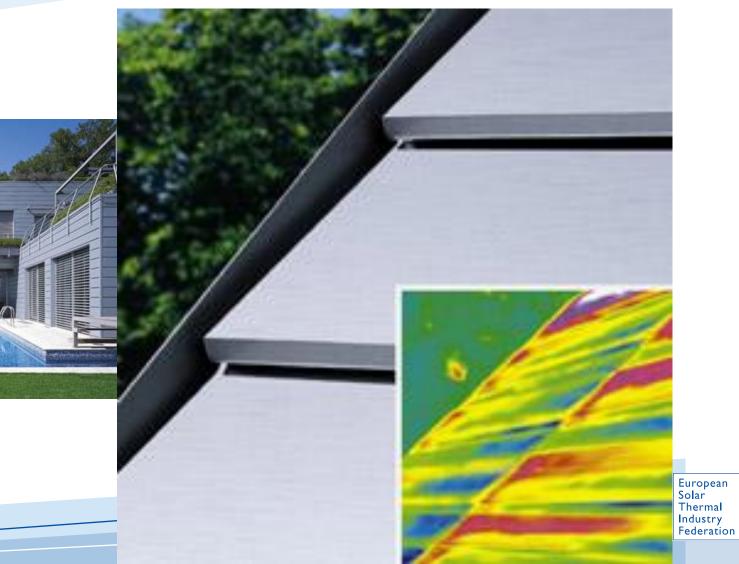










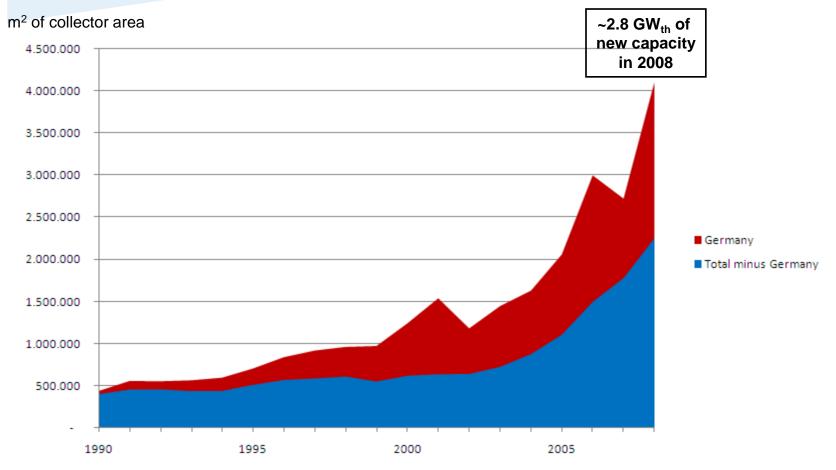






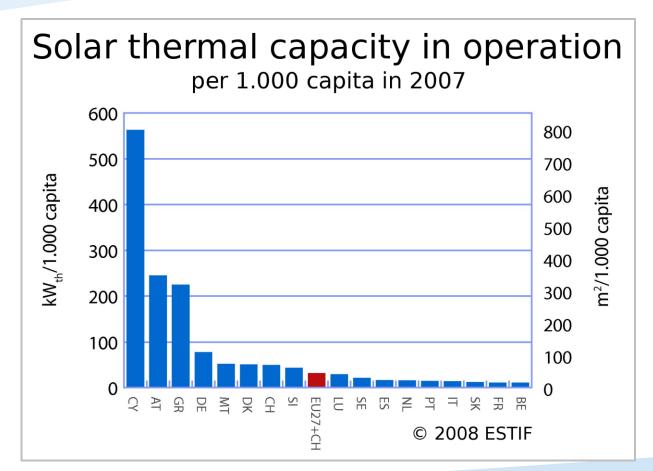


#### EU Solar Thermal market 1990-2008\*





### Great disparities in Europe





# Ambitious national target

#### + coherent measures





#### **EU Renewables Directive**

- Agreed by European Parliament and Council in December 2008
- Formal adoption in April 2009
- Transposition into national law within 18 months



### Main concepts of the RES-Directive

- 20% EU RES-target by 2020
- Mandatory national targets (CZ: 6.1% in 2005 -> 13%in 2020)
- National Renewable Energy Action Plans:
  - national targets for the shares of energy from renewable sources in transport, electricity and heating and cooling in 2020
  - adequate measures to be taken to achieve these national overall targets



#### Major boost for solar thermal

- Renewable heating/cooling at the same level as RES in electricty and transportation
- RES obligation in new and existing buildings by 2015
- Exemplary role of public buildings
- Qualification of installers
- European standards and certification



#### Next steps - NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION

- National Renewable Energy Action Plans
  - high target for RES heating/cooling
  - best possible RES obligation
  - qualification/certification of installers
  - information to professionals
  - reduction of administrative barriers
  - examplary role of public buildings



The new policy and market frameworks will be a key topic at the

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