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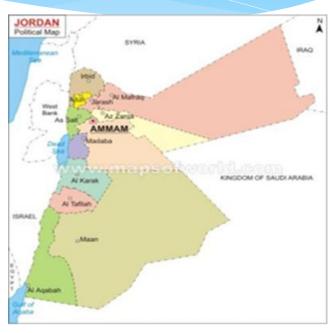
"Energy for Improving Rural Livelihoods - Mainstreaming Appropriate Renewable Technologies Initiatives in Rural Areas of the Arab Region".

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#### **Facts About Jordan**

- \* Total Area 89km2
- Population around 7.6million (+2 million refugees and FW)
- \* Rural Population represents 16%
- \* GDP around 37.5 USD billion
- \* GDP per capita 4,940USD
- \* Access to electricity 95%
- \* Energy imports 96.5%
- \* Fossil fuel represents 97.6% of the total consumption
- Jordan spent around 14% of its GDP on energy importing

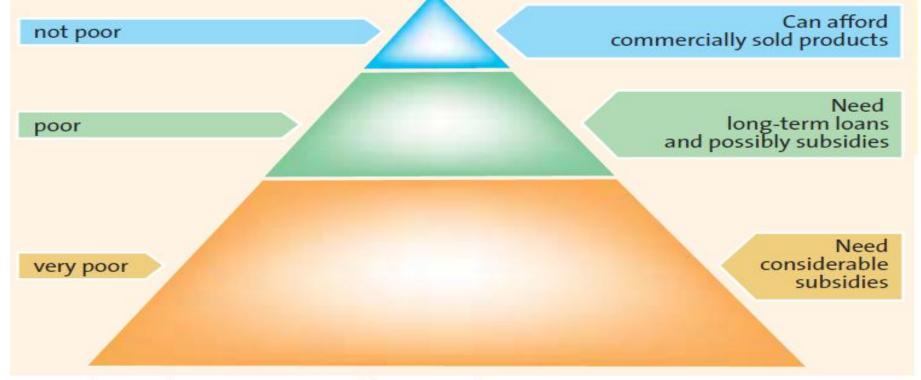


### Why Govs Promote for RE In Rural Areas?

- \* Should not be its relatively minor contribution towards global climate protection; but rather its contribution to local development and the fight against poverty
- \* Increase productivity and improve quality of life, and in which RE technologies are combined with income-raising activities.
- Overcoming the energy supply gap
- \* In this way, the problem of how to finance RE technologies can also be overcome in the long term???

### Ex. for Financing Mechanism

## Financing solutions for photovoltaic systems by income levels of rural households



Source: Reiche/Covarrubias/Martinot 2000, in: WorldPower 2000, Vol. 1, p. 59

### Current Challenges in Jordan's Rural Areas

### \*Socio-economic

- Large share of informal economy
- Underdeveloped credit mechanisms to business and households
- Unemployment affects an important share of workforce, especially youth
- > Public education system little efficient
- Poverty and inequalities affect a large part of households

### Current Challenges in Jordan's Rural Areas

#### \* Energy Sector

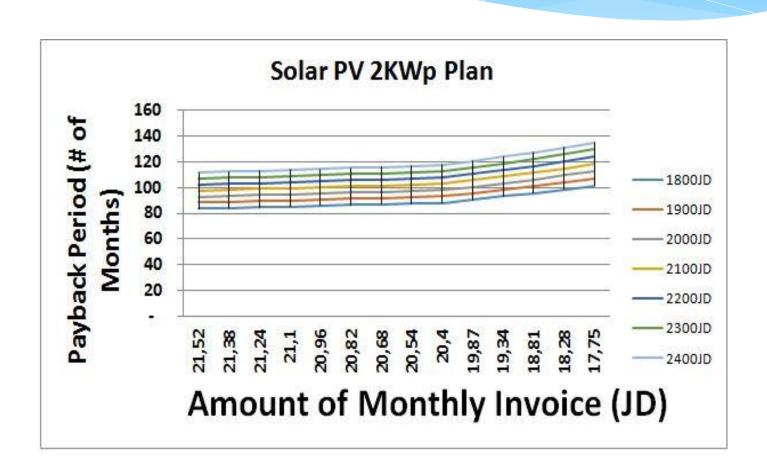
- Limited awareness and information on energy and RE technologies
- ➤ Lack of qualified HR
- Lack of policy coherence for energy and other related policies
- Subsidized conventional energy sources
- Cost of environmental externalities of fossil fuels is not integrated in energy costs
- Lack of incentives
- Increasing demand due to population and economic activities growth

- \* **RE share is only 1**% (16.5MW 60.4% were hydropower, 21.1% biomass, 9.7% PV and 8.8% wind)
- \* Wind Energy
- > Jordan has a number of regions that enjoy wind speeds suitable for generating electricity (North and South).
- > Three wind farms have been installed:
  - ✓ Ibrahimyya, Hofa Irbid, with capacity of 320 kW
  - ✓ Ibrahimyya, Hofa Irbid, with capacity of 1.2 MW
  - √ Tafeila wind farm with capacity of 117MW
  - ✓ Wind park in Maan, with capacity of 66MW

#### Solar Energy

- Direct solar radiation with 5 to7 kWh/m², which implies a potential of at least 1000GWh per year annually
- > >400 registered installation companies exist in Jordan, only around 10 companies are actively doing business in the field for on-grid markets.
- In late April 2014, around 3 to 4 MW of PV systems had been installed on a decentralized level.
- Around 5 MW under construction, all connected to the distribution grid under the net-metering scheme.
- One totaling 2 MW, financed by Spain in the Azraq area, and another totaling 65 75 MWp in Quweirah (Aqaba)
- Maan Solar Power Farm, totaling 24MW (under construction)
- MEMR is currently processing the tender applications for a new net metering program concerning the installation of 400 household solar PV systems in rural areas. Each system will range from 1 to 4 KW, depending on the households' energy needs.
- The ministry, via the Mercy Corps' management, will give loans to small consumers in the rural areas affected by crises (each with a monthly electricity consumption of less than 600 KWh) in rural communities, who will then be paying for their PV system instead of their electricity bill.

## Cost Recovery



#### \* Hydropower

- Jordan has no notable bodies of flowing water suitable for the construction of hydroelectric power stations
- King Talal dam on the Azarqa River, with a capacity of 5 MW
- > Aqaba thermal power station in Aqaba as it flows back to the sea.
- ➤ In 2012, these two stations together generated 61 GWh of electricity and were therefore the source of 0.4% of the electricity generated in the country as a whole.

#### \* Biogas

➤ Jordan Biogas Company (a joint stock company that is owned by the Central Electricity Generation Company (CEGCO) and the Greater Amman Municipality (GAM)). It generates some 5 GWh of electricity annually through the gases that arise at the MSW landfill.

#### \* Biomass

Small scale- the burning of vegetable biomass serves to a limited extent in rural regions for cooking and heating and is the main source of energy of the Bedouin in the desert

#### Geothermal Energy

➤ Geothermal resources in Jordan have been identified mainly in two regions (Ma"een –Madaba and the eastern banks of the Jordan Valley) offer comparatively low temperatures below 100°C. This means they cannot be used to generate electricity and will continue to be used for thermal purposes only, such as for heating swimming pools and greenhouses.

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