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White Certificates for the industrial sector

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WhC: different approaches from different countries

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| | UK (CERT and CESP) | Italy | France | Denmark | Flanders region (Belgium) |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| Obligation period | 2002-2005 (EEC-1) 2005-2008 (EEC-2) 2008-2012 (CERT) 2009-2012 (CESP) | 2005-2012 | 2006-2009 (first period) 2011-2013 (second period) | 2006-2009 (first period) 2010-2012 (second period) | 2003 – |
| Target size (ongoing phase) | 293 MtCO ₂ lifetime savings in 2012 (CERT) 19.25 MtCO ₂ lifetime savings in 2012 (CESP) | Cumulative savings of at least 22.4 Mtoe in 2012 | 345 TWh lifetime discounted (over the period January 2011-Dec. 2013) | 2.95 PJ annual (first year savings) until 2009 As of 2010: 6.1 PJ/y (first year savings weighted with prioritisation factors reflecting action lifespan) | Approx. 580 GWh (2009 target) 3.5% of the amount of electricity supplied the year before to household and non-residential clients (2.5% in case of less than 2,500 clients). |
| Energy end-use sectors covered | Residential | All | All excl. ETS | All except transport | Residential and non energy intensive industry and service |
| Restrictions in achieving the target | 40% priority group and 15% super priority group. 25% insulation measures (CERT) Low income areas; max 4% by loft insulations; max 4% by cavity wall insulations; max 1% by energy advice | Until 2008 50% on own energy source | 25 TWh cumac max achievable by information, formation and innovation programmes | None specific | The actions must always consist of financial contribution and an awareness-raising element |
| Measurement and verification options | Standard values | Standard values (19 measures) Engineering approach (5 measures) Metered baseline method | Standard values (about 240 measures) Case-by-case approval for other measures | Standard values for approx. 200 measures Specific engineering calculation | Case-by-case approval by VEA |
| Dominant measurement and verification choice | Deemed savings only | Deemed savings | Deemed savings | Specific engineering calculations | NA |
| Accreditation of savings | Ex-ante | Ex-ante (majority) | Ex-ante | Ex-ante (adjusted first year savings only) | Ex-ante approval |
| Size of certificate | NA | 1 toe | 1 kWh cumac | NA | NA |
| Validity of certificate | NA (compliance in 2012) | The entire phase of the scheme (2005-2012) | 3 compliance periods (compliance in 2009 and 2013) | NA (only adjusted first year savings count) | NA |
| Certification threshold size | NA | 20 toe/year, 40 toe/year and 60 toe/year for savings evaluated respectively by deemed, engineering and metered baseline methods | 1 GWh cumac (projects can be pooled to reach the threshold) | NA | NA |
| Trading* mechanisms | Trading among suppliers | Spot market OTC (dominant) | OTC only | No trading | No trading |
| Banking, borrowing | Banking of excess savings between phases (EEC-1 to EEC-2, EEC-2 to CERT) | Banking till 2012 Borrowing for 1 year if under compliance below 40% | Banking three compliance periods | Banking till 2012 As of 2010 borrowing if under compliance below 35% (45% in 2010) | Banking of excess savings |

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Figure 1. Summary of WhC schemes in Europe. Source: European Commission Directorate General JRC

Italian white certificates scheme (obliged parties)

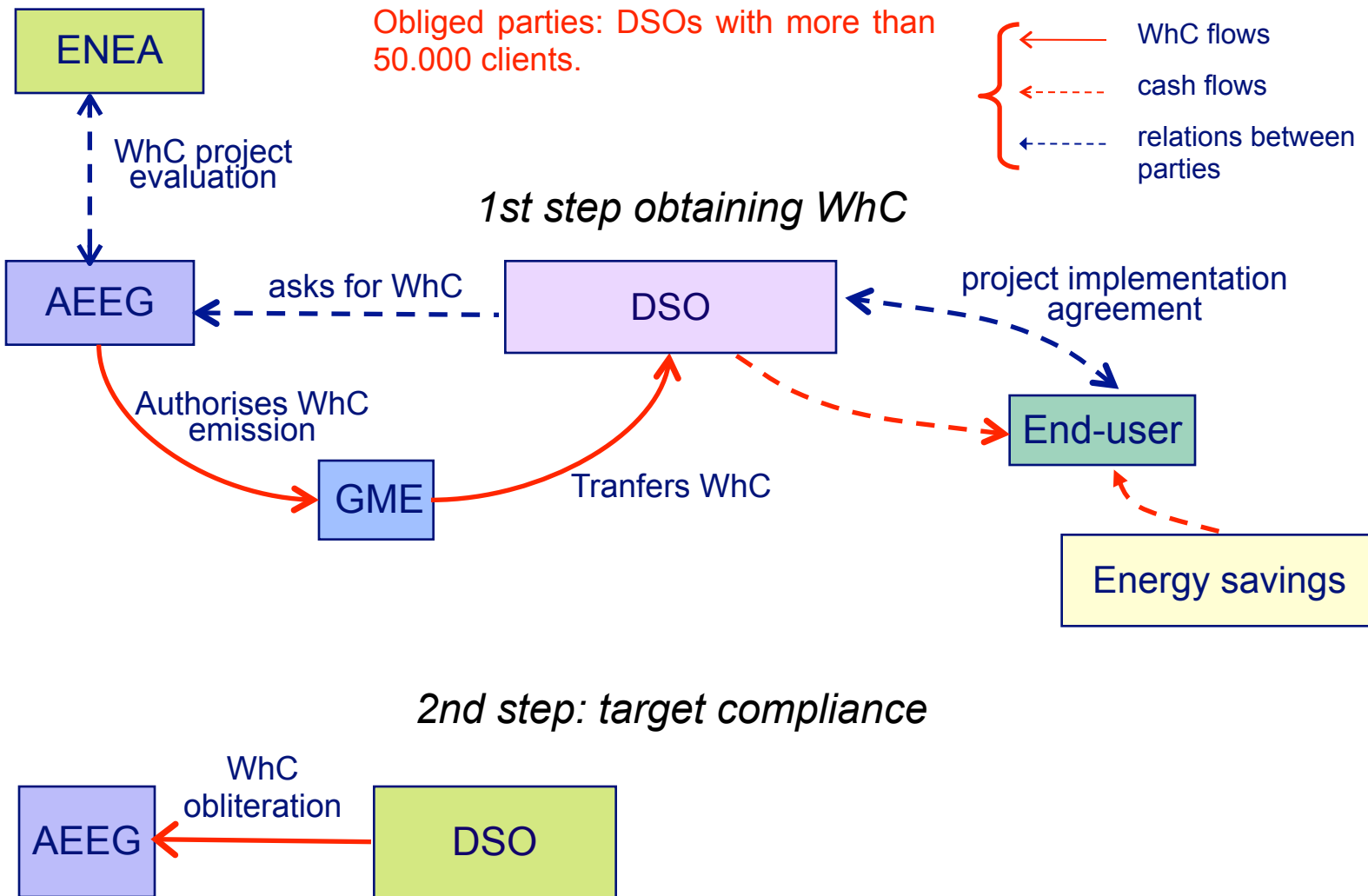
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Italian white certificates scheme (voluntary parties)

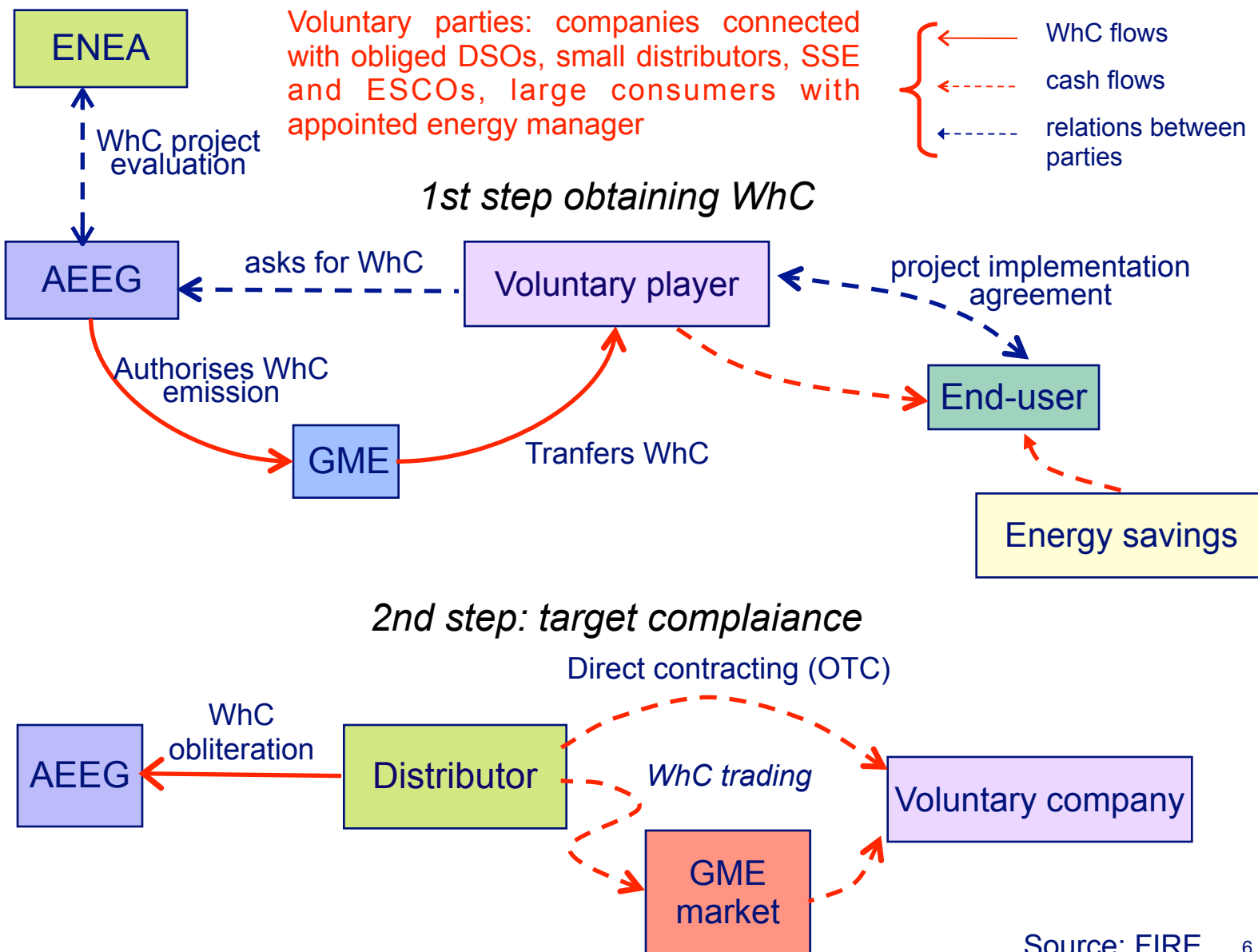
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Obligated parties (SO)

DSOs with more than 50.000 clients

Voluntary parties (SV)

DSOs with less than 50.000 clients
Companies linked to or controlled from SO
Energy service providers SSE
Companies with *appointed* energy manager

WhC energy equivalent

1 WhC (also called TEE) = 1 *additional* toe

WhC economic equivalent

Depends on the market (95-115 €/toe recently)

Allowed actions

Energy efficiency improvements and savings

Duration of WhC issuing

5 years
8 years for building envelope related actions
10 years for high efficiency cogeneration

Saving evaluation

Modalità standardizzata - deemed savings
Modalità analitica - engineering estimates
Modalità a consuntivo - monitoring plans

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Types of certificates

Type I - electricity savings

Type II - gas savings

Type III - other fuels savings (no transport)

Type IV - other fuels savings transport D.S.

Type V - other fuels savings transport E.E. & M.P.

Duration and validity of WhC

Both till 2012, to be extended

DSO tariff reimbursment

It depends on a standard fuel mix price trend. Till now the range has been: 86.98-100 €/toe.

Targets

Primary energy efficiency improvements

Coefficient tau

It is the the ratio between the useful life of the measure and the standard WhC project life (5 or 8 years). It ranges between 1,00 and 4,58. It depends on the technology group as collected in the ministerial decrees tables.

WhC release timetable

WhC are released quarterly for deemed savings. After the measure are collected for the other projects (the timetable can be freely chosen, provided it is at least annually.

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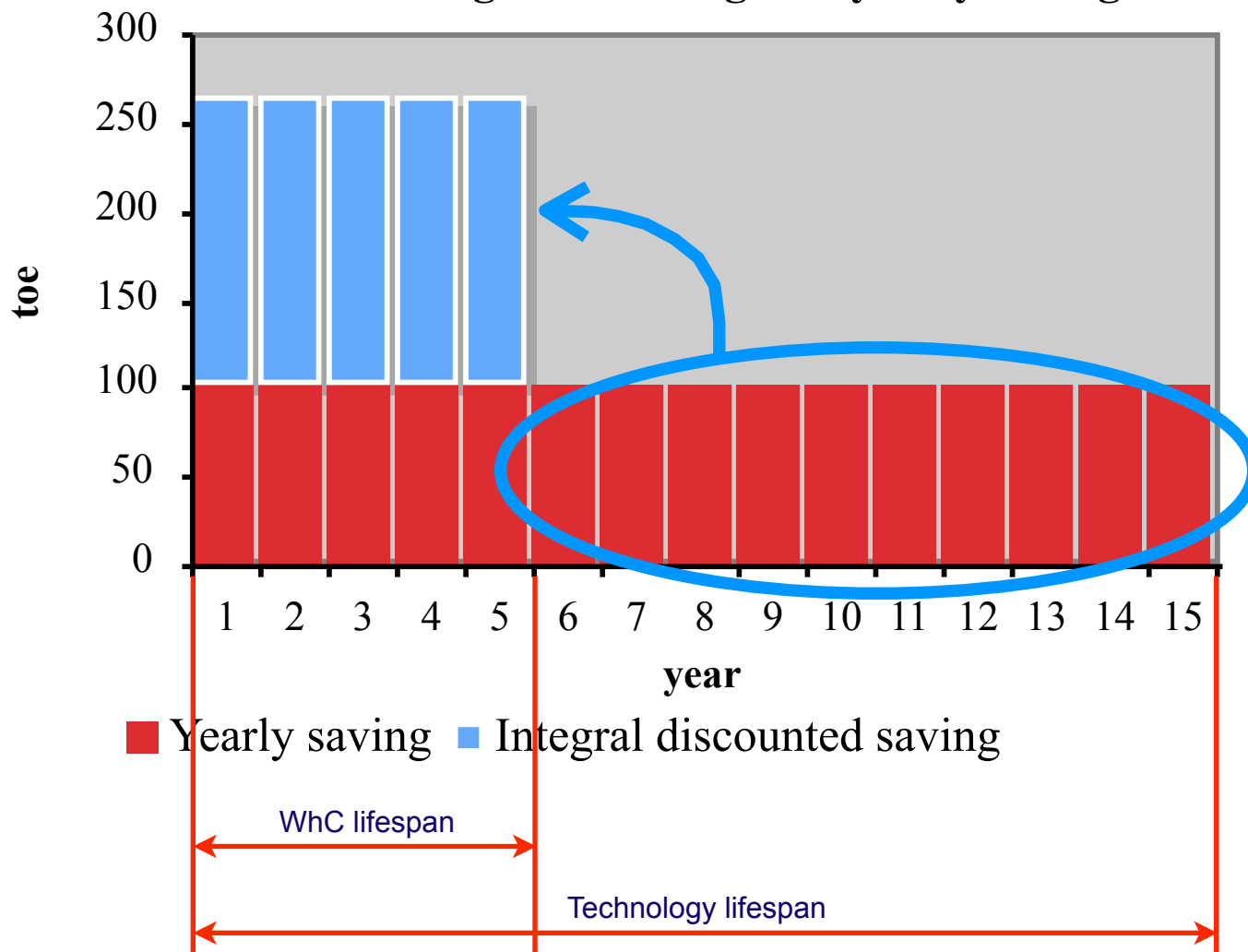
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Integrated savings VS yearly savings

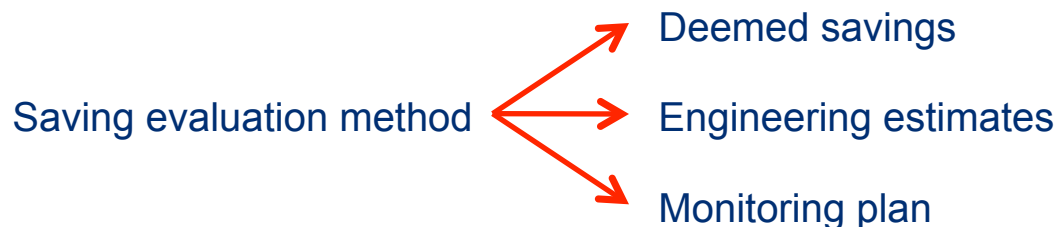


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- *Deemed savings*: the saving is evaluated with respect to the number of installed reference units (e.g. square meter, kW, number of installed units). No measures are required. Only standardized solutions can be included in a deemed saving file.



- *Engineering estimates*: the saving is evaluated with respect to some measured quantities through a dedicated algorithm defined in the considered file. Required meters are also indicated in the considered file.



- *Monitoring plan*: the method is similar to the previous one, but the algorithm, the baseline, the additional saving coefficient, and the needed meters should be preliminarily proposed by the applicant and approved from ENEA.



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D.S. files for industry, tau coefficients and M.P. results

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Industrial deemed savings files

| File number | Technology | Unit | Unit per toe | | Saving (10 ⁻³ toe/unit/year) | | Units needed to reach 20 toe | | Tau |
|-------------|---|------|--------------|-----|---|-----|------------------------------|-----|------|
| | | | min | max | min | max | max | min | |
| 9 | VSD electric engines for industrial pumping systems | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 turn industry | 1 kW | 12 | 42 | 24 | 83 | 314 | 91 | 2,65 |
| | 2 turns industry | 1 kW | 6 | 20 | 49 | 166 | 153 | 45 | 2,65 |
| | 3 turns industry | 1 kW | 3 | 11 | 95 | 319 | 80 | 24 | 2,65 |
| | seasonal industry | 1 kW | 11 | 38 | 27 | 90 | 284 | 84 | 2,65 |
| 11 | high efficiency electric engines | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 turn industry | 1 kW | 37 | 294 | 3 | 27 | 2.220 | 283 | 2,65 |
| | 2 turns industry | 1 kW | 19 | 149 | 7 | 53 | 1.126 | 142 | 2,65 |
| | 3 turns industry | 1 kW | 10 | 77 | 13 | 102 | 581 | 74 | 2,65 |
| | seasonal industry | 1 kW | 35 | 270 | 4 | 29 | 2.040 | 262 | 2,65 |

| EE Measure | tau |
|---|------|
| IND-T Industrial processes: generation or heat recovery for cooling, drying, burning, melting | 3.36 |
| IND-GEN Industrial processes: electricity generation from renewable sources, heat recovery, or cogeneration | 3.36 |
| IND-E Industrial processes: efficient drive systems (motors, etc.), automation and power factor measures | 2.65 |
| IND-FF Industrial processes: interventions other than the above, for the energy optimization of production processes and plant layout designed to achieve a lasting energy consumption reduction normalized by quantity and quality of production | 3.36 |

| | Approved | | | | | Rejected | | | Other | | | Total |
|--------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|---------|----------------|-------|
| | at 1 st attempt | at 2 nd attempt | at 3 rd attempt | at 4 th attempt | at 5 th attempt | at 1 st attempt | at 2 nd attempt | at 3 rd attempt | Suspended | Retired | Under approval | |
| -2011 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ms No. | 399 | 270 | 41 | 3 | 1 | 86 | 12 | 4 | 9 | 31 | 117 | 973 |
| Ms % | 41% | 28% | 4% | 0% | 0% | 9% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 3% | 12% | 100% |
| | 74% | | | | | 10% | | | 16% | | | |

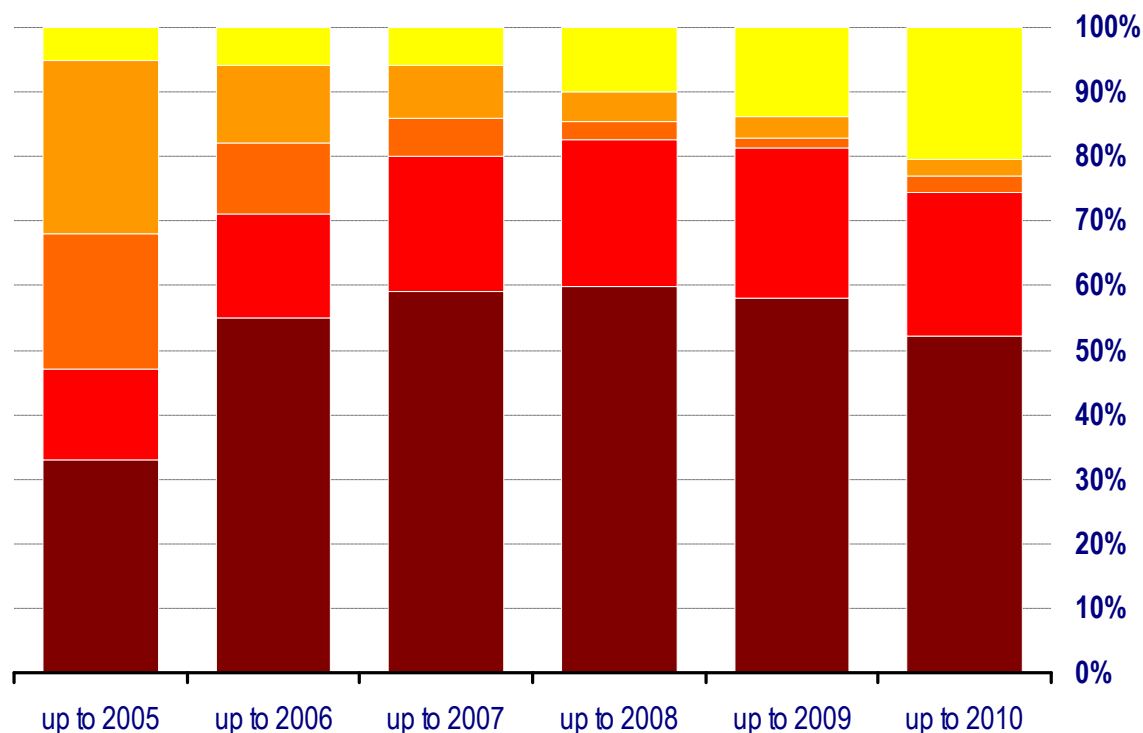
Monitoring plan: more interesting (potential savings and tau value), but more difficult to obtain (more complex and longer procedure) than deemed savings and engineering estimates.



Issued certificates VS targets

Source: AEEG.

- Industry
- Public lighting
- CHP, district heating and power generation
- Heating, hot water production and savers
- Residential lighting, appliances, cooling



Monitoring plans and industrial projects are steadily growing, both for a better understanding of the rules and the interesting economic performance due to the potential savings and the tau coefficient.

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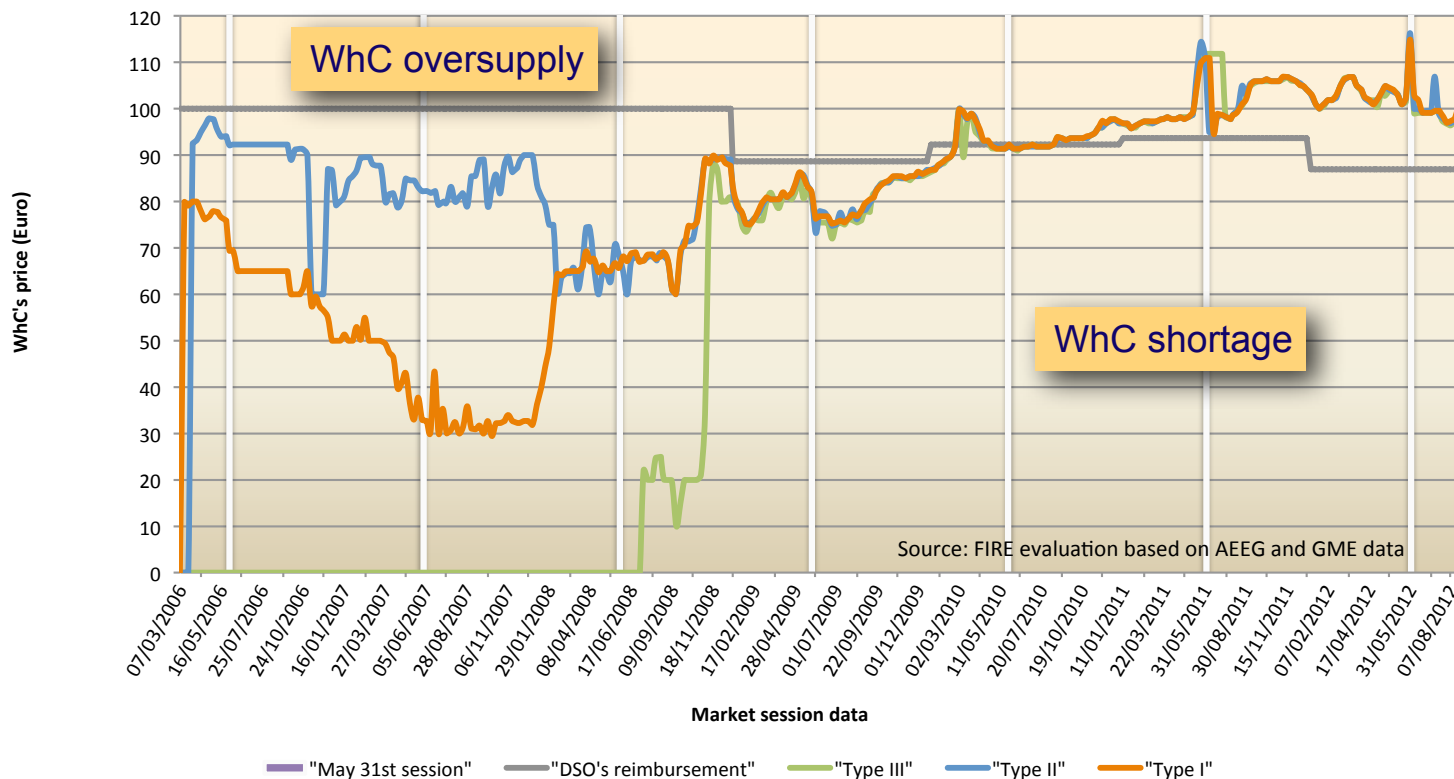
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Source: FIRE.

WhC price trend



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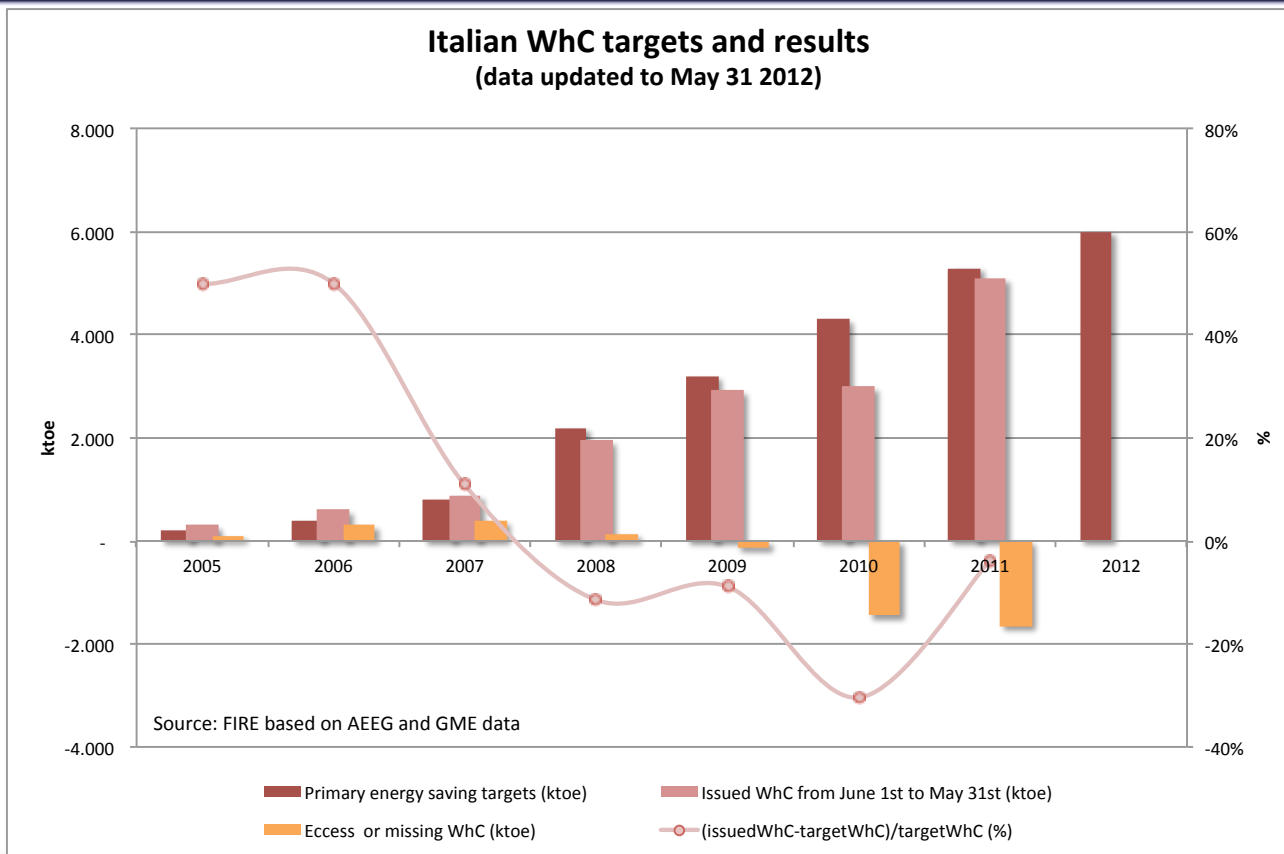
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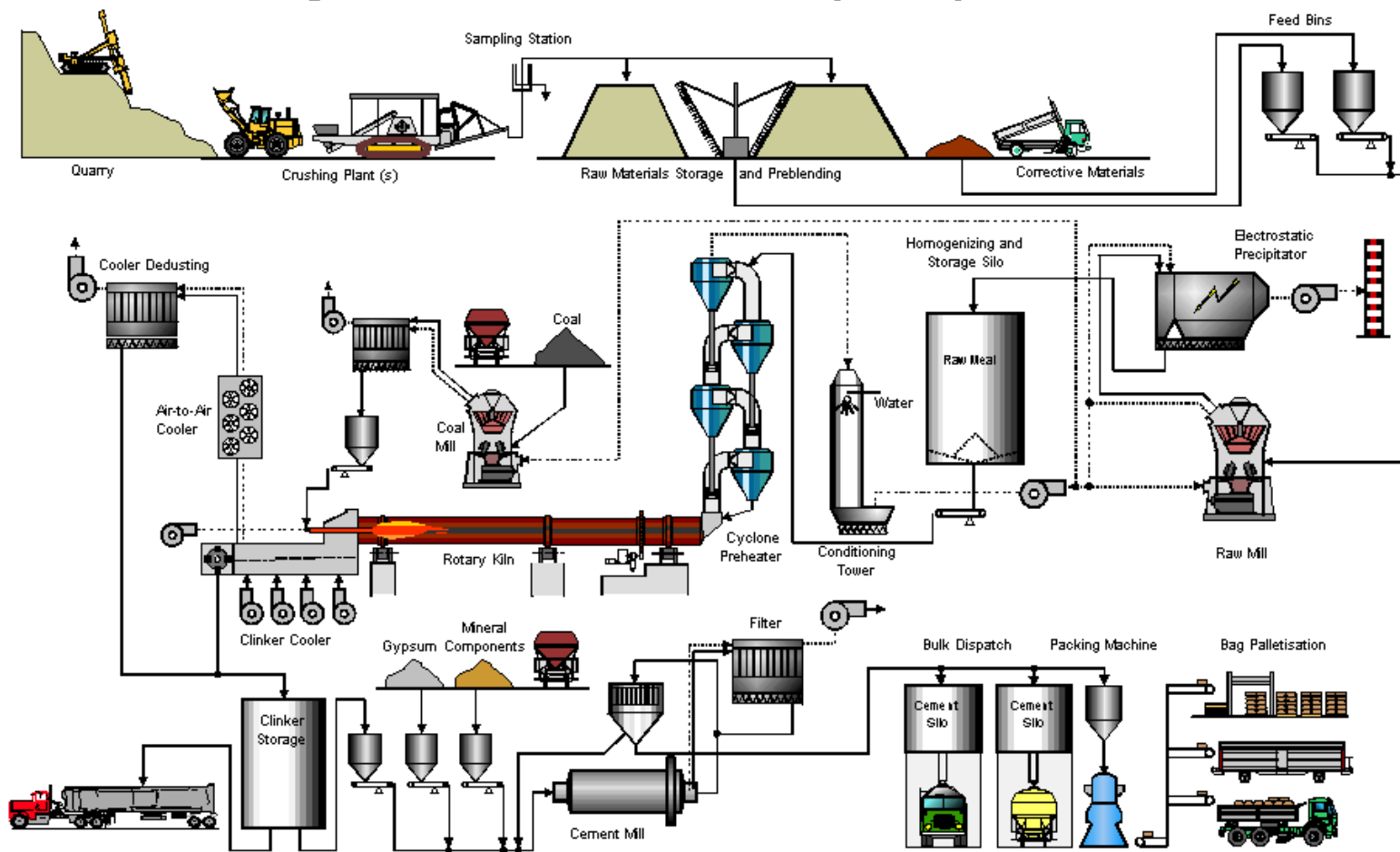


In the first phase there has been an excess of WhC on the market. Then it came a change that has taken the market on the opposite situation. The main drivers of this change are: CFL and similar files no more available, the completion of their 5 years cycle for some projects, the insufficient growth of monitoring plans.

The 2011 results has shown an improvement, in part due to the tau coefficient (i.e. WhC on the markets and targets are no more directly linked).

Typical cement production cycle

Source: Reference Document on Best Available Techniques in the Cement, Lime and Magnesium Oxide Manufacturing Industries, EC, 2010.



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The cement industry in Italy

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Italy is among the largest cement producers in Europe.

With a total production of 36.3 million tons of cement it was in 2009 the main producer, despite the significant decline in recent years (-15.6% in 2008).

The production facilities are located throughout the country and currently total 88 manufacturing units, of which 58 are full-cycle and 30 are grinding factories.

There are 80 active rotary kilns, all based on the dry or semi-dry technology that enables the achievement of greater energy efficiency.

The cement industry is clearly one of the most interesting for the WhC scheme in terms of potential certificates and it serves well as an example of WhC implementation in the industrial sector.

The data and the assumptions on this presentation are taken from the guideline for the cement industry created by ENEA and FIRE that will be published on the website www.energiaenergetica.enea.it.

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Potential savings

Despite remarkable advances in technology, in terms of energy efficiency, there are still margins for improvement.

The BAT considered in the cement industry BRef indicate a value of 3,000 MJ/t of clinker for thermal energy and 90 kWh/t of cement for electricity.

The savings that would result from the **transformation of the entire cement factories** park is about 300 MJ/t of clinker. Given the annual national production of 36.3 million tons of cement, a clinker/cement ratio of 0.75, and assuming an approximate percentage of plants renovation of 50%, **the global saving will be around 100 ktoe/year.**

For the consumption of **electrical energy**, considered over the entire production line, the possible reduction from the baseline is about 25 kWh/t of cement. Considering again a penetration rate of 50% **the global saving will be around 85 ktoe/year.**

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Typical algorithms for the cement industry

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The variables to be measured are:

- Amount of fuel used in the oven;
- Lower calorific value of fuel (LHV);
- Amount of clinker produced (tonnes);
- Annual consumption of electricity.

Thermal energy savings:

$$R_t = (CSTB - C_{stpost}) \times B \text{ [toe/year]}$$

where:

$CSTB$ = specific heat consumption baseline [toe/t clinker]

C_{stpost} = E_t/B = specific heat consumption *ex-post* [toe/t clinker]

E_t = annual consumption of thermal energy = amount of fuel used x LHV [toe]

B = tons of clinker produced [t clinker/year]

Electricity savings:

$$R_e = (CSEB - C_{sepost}) \times B \times c \text{ [toe/year]}$$

where:

$CSEB$ = specific electricity consumption baseline [kWh/t clinker]

E_e = annual consumption of electricity [kWh]

C_{sepost} = E_e/B = specific consumption of electricity [kWh/t clinker]

B = tons of clinker produced [t clinker/year]

$c = 0.187 \times 10^{-3} \text{ [toe/kWh]}$

In order to prepare a monitoring plan the following points must be addressed:

- process description;
- description of the EE solution;
- identification of the baseline, and thus of additional savings;
- definition of the algorithm to calculate the energy savings;
- description of the M&V system.

Usually the third and fourth points are the most difficult to address, for different reasons.

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Typical baseline values

| Reference values | Thermal energy | Electricity |
|--|----------------------------|--|
| BRef | 3,000 – 4,000 MJ/t clinker | 90 - 150 kWh/t cement |
| Italian current practice | 3,860 MJ/t clinker | 114 kWh/t cement |
| Breakdown by production steps | | |
| Grinding of raw materials | 84 MJ/t clinker | 38 kWh/t cement 35 kWh/t raw material (raw material/clinker = 1.52; humidity 5%) |
| Clinker burning | 3,768 MJ /t clinker | 25 kWh/t cement 33 kWh/t clinker (clinker/cement = 0,77) |
| Cement grinding | | 43 kWh/t cement |
| Other consumption (fans, fuel preheating, etc.) | 8 MJ /t clinker | 8 kWh/t cement |

For new plants (or a complete renovation of an existing plant) the reference is the market average, i.e. the typical solution proposed in that period of time for the same intervention. As mentioned above, currently it is the dry process with multiple stage preheater and precalciner.

For the renovation of an existing plants, provided an hardware intervention is implemented and not only an improvement of the plant management or of the regulation of the energy devices, the baseline reference is the higher between the specific consumption of the ex-ante plant and the specific consumption of the current practice in the same industrial sector.

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Savings collected in the cement industry within the WhC scheme

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| EE measure | No. | Savings |
|---------------------------------|-----|--|
| Furnace renovation | 5 | $(2 \div 13) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| Furnace substitution | 4 | $(4 \div 13) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| Heat recovery | 3 | $(0.11 \div 1) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| RDF recovery | 7 | $(2 \div 4) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| Cement mill modify | 2 | $(0.5 \div 3) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t cement |
| Cement mill substitution | 3 | $(2 \div 4) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t cement |
| Fan advanced regulation | 3 | $(0.05 \div 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| Advanced management systems | 3 | $(0.2 \div 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |
| Raw materials mill substitution | 2 | $(0.7 \div 2) \times 10^{-3}$ toe/t clinker |

The good number of applications demonstrates that even if monitoring plans are complex, they can successfully be used, especially when the available savings are good enough to justify the effort.

In Italy, there is a minimum threshold to present a single EE measure of 60 toe, that at present WhC prices corresponds to 6,000 €/year for five years. The table shows typical savings between 15 and 3,500 toe.

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The algorithm is not an issue technically, but it is important that it is chosen taking into account the necessity to normalise the savings with the industrial production – the clinker in this case – and to ensure that the effect of the EE intervention is correctly isolated from other energy consumption.

Most problems that arise in this connection are due to an insufficient number of meters or to their incorrect positioning. But there are may also be errors in the definition of the savings formula.

Since in the cement industry fuel and clinker consumption present high values – on the order of hundreds of thousands of tons per year – an accurate measurement may be difficult. To address this issue, one possibility is to refer to the measurement uncertainties listed in Annex VII of the Decision 2007/589/EC related to the emission trading scheme (directive 2003/87/EC).

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The use of alternative fuels is still limited, so its effects on the final result is still not very significant, but considering the Italian interest in refuse derived fuel (RDF) from industrial and municipal waste, the implications of its use should be analysed, both with respect to WhC and ETS. and should lead to a different baseline for RDF fired plants.



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With large EE interventions, like the ones considered in the cement industry, monitoring plans are working well. Industrial companies have come to understand the opportunity that WhC represent and are trying to join in.

More importantly, EE is finally going to be promoted by the mechanism. Monitoring plans have in fact already overtaken deemed savings and engineering estimates in Italy in the last months in terms of issued certificates.

Due to the complexity of the plans the proponents are improving their knowledge of the industrial sectors in which they operate, with positive effects on their potential to promote and replicate similar actions. Some of the proponents have indeed become full ESCOs this way, fulfilling one of the original aims of the WhC scheme in Italy.

A final important aspect: the real trigger to success of the scheme and of the involvement of industry is information and training. It is fundamental to devote sufficient economic and personnel resources to these activities. The advantages for the system in general are enormous compared with the cost of implementing these actions.

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4.b GME's OTC platform

They are carried out within the GME's register

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