

## Electricity market and prices in Cyprus

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### EIB 2017 Cyprus Overview Report Question

Why Cypriot companies perceive the high energy cost among the most important barriers to investment and what can be done in this regard?

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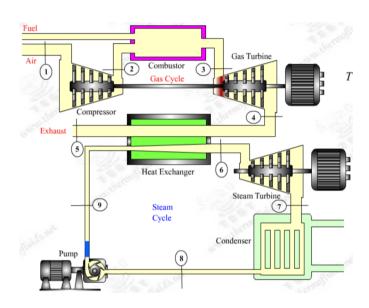
## Cyprus current electricity and NG system Statistics

#### **Existing power generation system**



- Steam turbine units (HFO)
  - Dhekelia power station 6x60MWe
  - Vasilikos power station 3x130MWe
- Combined cycles (Diesel)
  - Vasilikos power station 2x220MWe
- Gas turbine units (Diesel)
  - Moni power station 4x37,5MWe
  - Vasilikos power station 1x38MWe
- Renewables
  - PVs 115MWe
  - Wind 157MWe
  - Biomass 13MWe

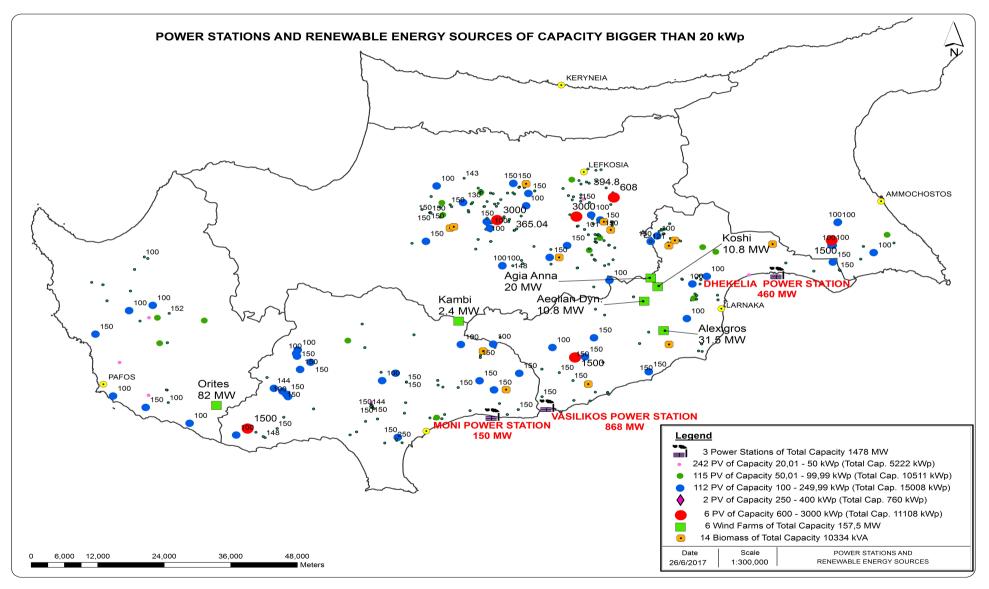






#### **Distribution of RES-E**





#### **RES-E targets**



Current RES-E penetration: ~9%



- **PVs 115MWe**
- Wind 157MWe
- Biomass 13MWe
- RES-E target for 2020: 16%



- **PVs 360MWe**
- Wind 175MWe
- Biomass 15MWe
- RES-E target for 2030: not yet

#### Existing natural gas system



• Under development!

For power generation as a start...



# Setting up of electricity tariffs Regulatory framework

#### Basics of electricity tariffs



- Generation cost including reserves to meet peak demand and forced outages at reference fuel prices (e.g. at 300€/MT)
- Transmission and distribution cost
- Metering cost
- Supply cost
- Rate of return
- Fuel cost adjustment at real fuel (e.g. at 350€/MT)

#### Tariff regulation



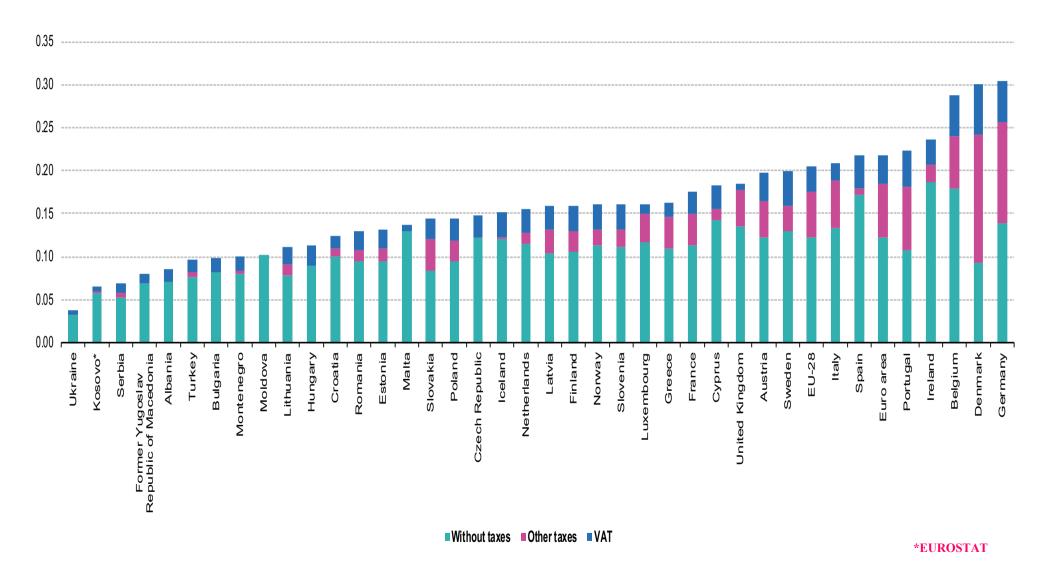
- Incentive regulation vs cost plus regulation
- New regulated tariffs since Sep 2017
  - Public consultation
  - Allowable income for the next 5 years
  - IRR set at 4.6% for all functions
  - Efficiency factor set at -1%
  - Overall ~ 6% reduction on basic tariffs
  - Transparency in electricity bills



### **Electricity prices**Comparisons

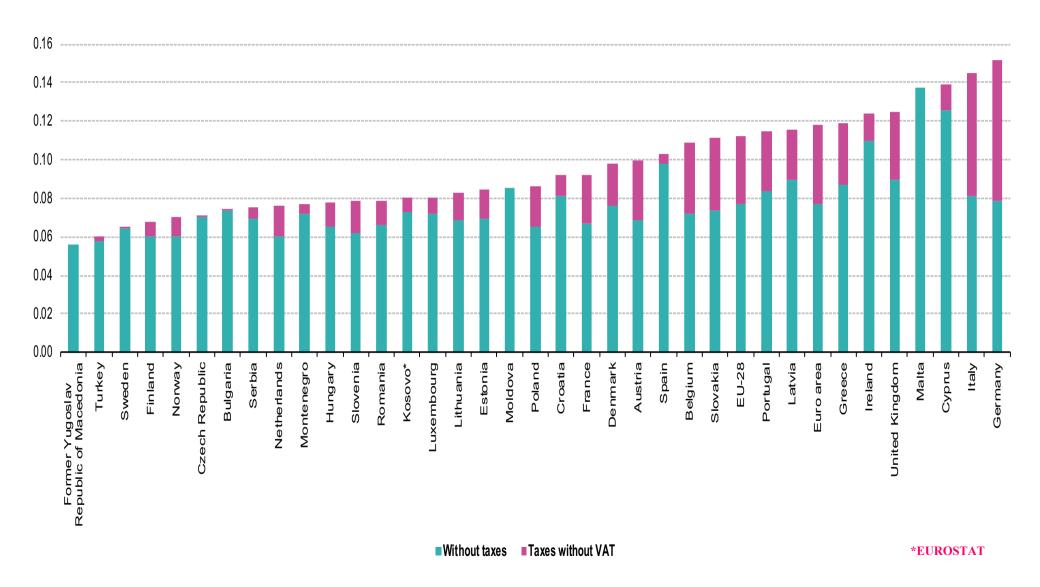
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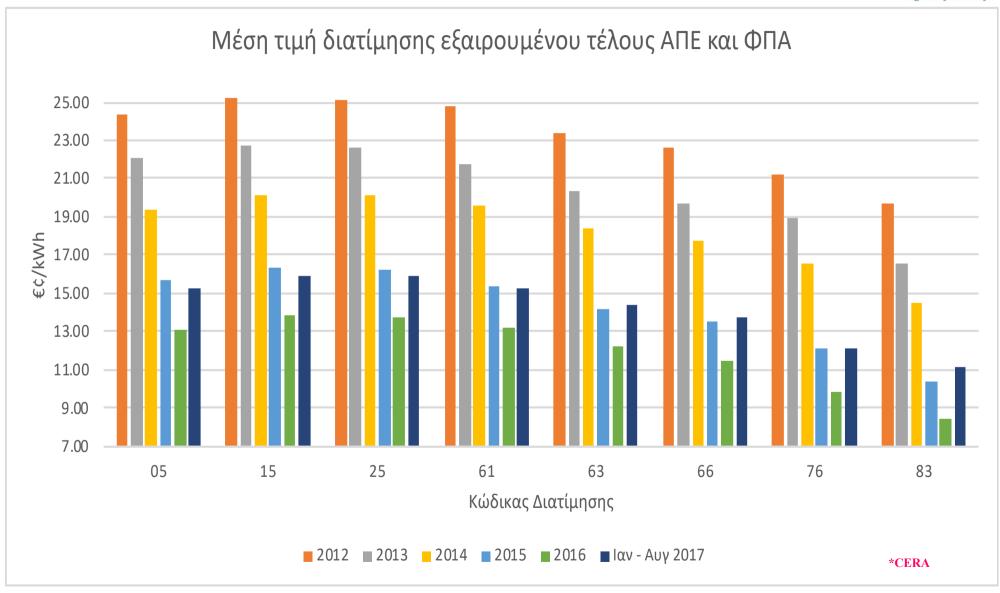
#### **Electricity prices for non-household consumers, second half 2017\* (€/kWh)**





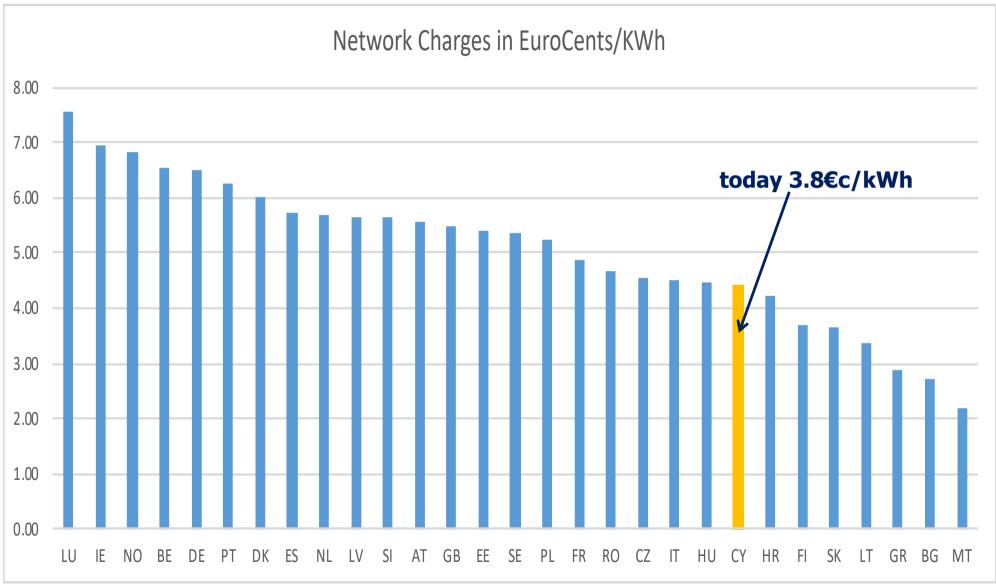
#### Historic tariffs for Cyprus\* (2012-Aug 2017)





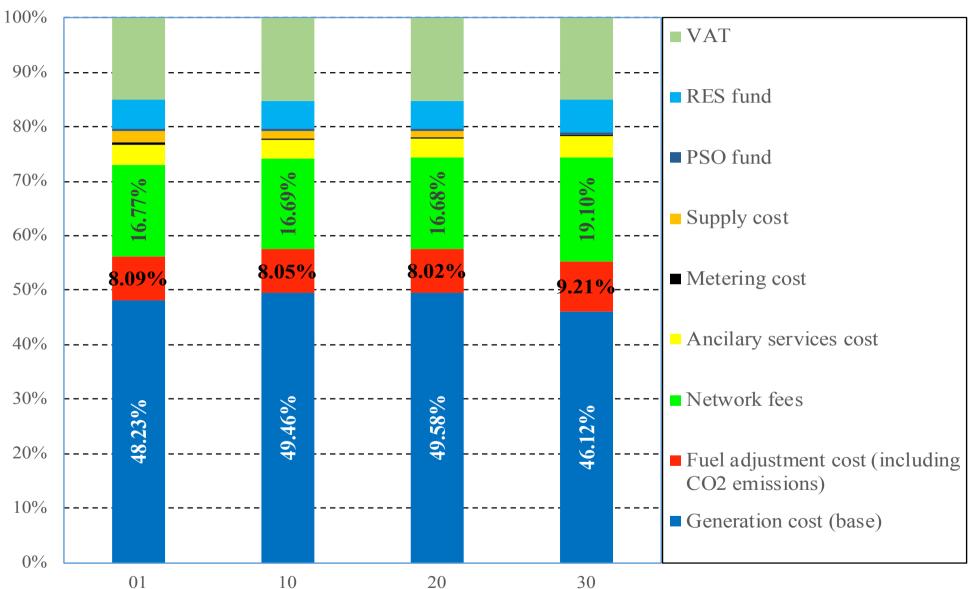
#### Network charges comparison\*





#### Share of new tariffs (since Sep 2017)







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- Energy audit and energy management
- Use of net-metering/net-billing
- Regulatory decisions regarding electricity market
  - EU electricity target model
  - New basic tariffs ~ 6% reduction
- Other options:
  - change of generation technologies including fuel
  - electricity interconnections
  - change of electricity supplier