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Mexican Energy Reform - SOWITEC and Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg engage in study providing valuable guidance

Mexico has lately enacted several Rules in line with the approved – by a narrow margin - Energy Reform for the Electric Power Sector. Government's intention is, among others, to attract private investment, to promote implementation of renewable energy technologies and strengthen the grid.

The study "Contribution of the Mexican Energy Reform to Renewable Energies" provides a comprehensive overview of the regulatory framework, analyses their potential impact on deployment of renewables and suggests further improvement potential based on the experience in selected European legal environments for renewables. Inputs of local and international policy-makers are included in the study as well as the results of a broader survey among end-users.

14 GW out of the 66 GW (2014) installed capacity in Mexico count for renewable energy plants (including co-generation and nuclear power), whilst 597 MW and 6 MW correspond to wind and photovoltaic plants, respectively. The government's aim is to increase wind and photovoltaic installations to 36 GW and 5 GW respectively by 2028 (SENER, 2014) which is in line with the expected increase on energy demand of 75% until 2026.

Investments in clean energy attracted USD 2,1 billion in 2014 and shall increase to USD 100 billion until 2028. 2014 was characterized by the strong entrance of private equity investors in Mexico, whereas Japanese, North American and Spanish lenders consider Mexico one of the focus markets for years now.

The transmission grid needs to be reinforced and expanded by more than 17% until 2026. Through the reform, the government expects to attract private capital to support the re-shaped Independent System Operator's (ISO), CFE, investment plan.

SOWITEC, with more than 2.0 GW wind and solar PV matured projects under development in Mexico, leads the respective Bloomberg league table. This dominant market position and SOWITEC's 20 year

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German experience on top of its ten year learning curve and development success across seven markets of the Americas has led to its active part taking in the consultation phases of the market rules formulation. The Study further gains through the academic excellence of the Carl von Ossietzky University and its recognised Postgraduate Programme for Renewable Energy and thereby provides a sound basis for SOWITEC to adequately brief public stakeholders in particular on the impact of specific regulatory instruments.

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