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# Industrial energy efficiency and behaviour

Case study evidence

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#### **Structure**



- Case study context
- Barriers to energy efficiency
- Potential drivers and policy recommendations

Presentations from four case studies: South Africa, Colombia, India, Uganda



### **South Africa**

### South Africa: ArcelorMittal Saldanha Works



- Critical juncture: Economic downturn, energy supply shortages, and decreasing raw material quality
- Participant in the Industrial **Energy Efficiency Project** (IEEP) of South Africa
- Production focus on hot rolled coil (HRC) products with a thickness of less than 1.6mm







### **Barriers to energy efficiency**





- Low cost, mostly reliable energy supply
- Focus on production, not efficiency
- Energy efficiency tasks: No man's land
- Limited CapEx capacity
- Loss aversion (alternatively a driver)

# **Design recommendations**



- Complementary top-down commitment with bottomup drivers
- > Systematic challenging of the status quo
- ➤ Place energy at "top of mind" (Karlan et al 2012)
- Potential of energy efficiency to contribute near-term and low-cost opportunities for energy savings
- Technology is frequently in focus in training and support programmes: integrate behaviour as well
- Build and draw upon evidence base for support
- Make behaviour a primary and ongoing assessment?



### Colombia

#### Context



- Programme under development by Inter-American Development Bank in cooperation with Bancóldex
- Supply and demand side market gaps have impeded the uptake of energy efficiency in Colombia
- Seeks to recreate aspects which may be found in an energy service company (ESCO) type model
- SME focus in the hotel and hospital service subsector





# Anticipated barriers, proposed drivers

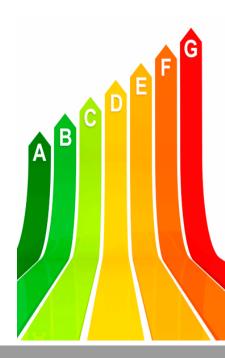


- Quality assurance: Provide independent assurances of service provider technical capacity and warranties of energy savings
- Legal: Standardised, transparent contracts outlining service provision, performance
- Market uncertainty: Provide access to expertise, reduce "knowledge hurdles"
- Risk: Provide risk insurance to cover shortfalls on anticipated returns on investment
- ➤ Standards: Development of standards for energy saving monitoring and verification

# **Design recommendations**



- Addressing risk, uncertainty, trust in the absence of ESCO type models
- Limit complexity, standardise contracts or provide model contracts
- Integrate behaviour into energy efficiency support programmes to complement technology upgrading





### India

# India: The KfW programme



Finance = "hard tool", behaviour = "soft tool"?

- Finance for energy efficiency investments of MSME, cooperation with SIDBI
- 50 million Euro financial credit to SIDBI
- > 0,5 million Euro for technical assistance
  - E.g. Support of MSMEs in application process
  - Support of SIDBI staff in evaluation and monitoring

#### **Behavioural factors: SIDBI**



> It's too complicated! Ambiguity aversion



> Just another line of credit? Framing

Why should I care? Lack of commitment and positive incentives

#### **Behavioural factors: MSME**



- > I want profit now! Short-term thinking
- When does the new tech pay off??
  Faulty calculation of payback periods
- But I've always done it this way!Habits and status quo bias

### **Policy recommendations**



> Clear, salient information and communication



> Fostering commitment

Fostering direct contact to clients and direct experience

Feedback/benchmarking systems, cooperation and learning through energy consultants, local business associations



# Uganda

# **Uganda: Energy trainings for SME**



- ➤ GIZ-PREEEP/MEMD training in 2008/9
- Comparative analysis of 29 SME, trained and untrained
- Grain millers, metal fabricators, wood fabricators





#### **SME: Behavioural barriers**



- Short-term thinking
- Self-control problems
- Habits and status quo bias
- > Trust

#### Context conditions have a strong influence:

Business skills, lack of capital, access to efficient technology...

### Policy recommendations



- Hands-on experience
- Peer learning



- → Local demonstration centres, visits to efficiently working peers, comparisons to similar SMEs
- Trust building e.g. "trusted seller of efficient technology"
- Reminders to overcome self-control problems
- Clear communication, no overload

Combinations of behavioural and non-behavioural measures!





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# Thank you for your attention!

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