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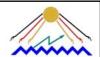
# Symposium Solar Thermal Power Plants and Desalination

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A Vision on the Future of Egypt in Benefit of Renewable Energies and Wise Subsidies

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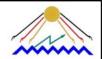


## Unsubsidized

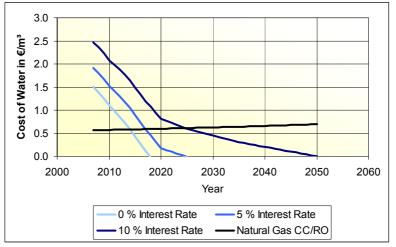
desalinated Seawater for Free?





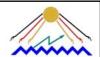


#### Unsubsidised Cost of Water from CSP versus Natural Gas CC/RO



Discount rate 5%, economic life 25 years, fuel cost 25 €/MWh, escalation 1 %/y, irradiance 2400 kWh/m²/y, real €2007, RO power 4.5 kWh/m³





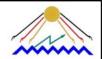
## Why Subsidies?

To support People with limited income for how long?

Till their income raises and they do not need support

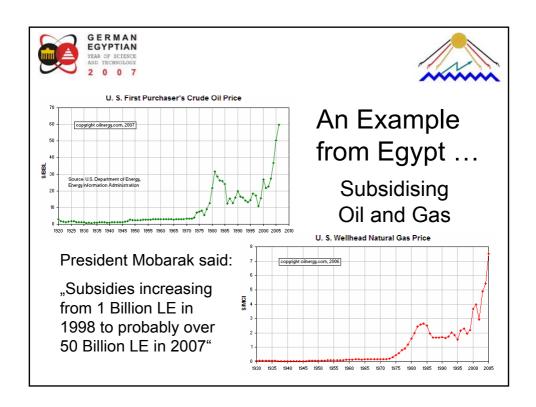
Subsidy shall decrease with time till it is Zero





### How to subsidize?

- Support a Product
  - → Subsidy increases with price of Product
- Support a Technology
  - → Subsidy decreases with develop of Technology







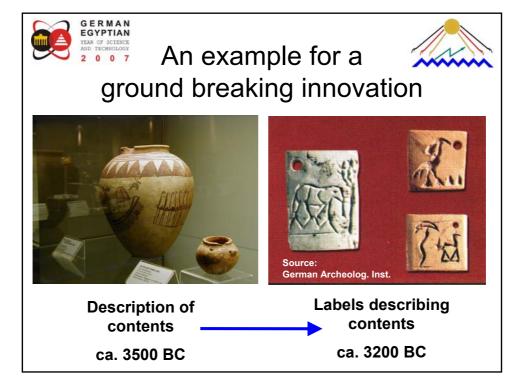
## **Subsidising Coal**

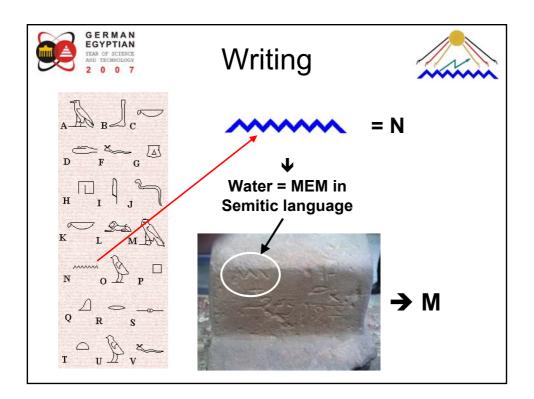
#### Winners:

- Employment of Miners
- Employment at Service Companies
- Industry of Mining Machines

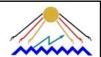
#### Losers:

- Education (PISA Study)
- Innovation (Scientists leaving the country)









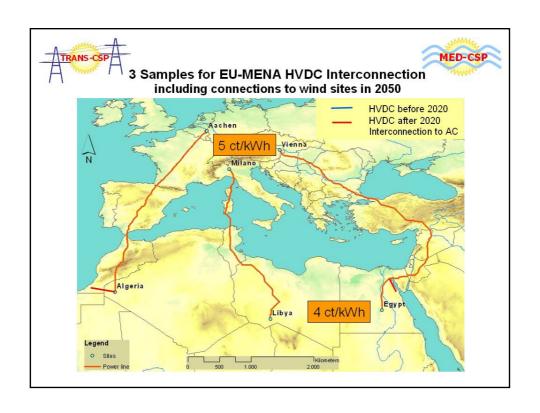
## **Another Ground breaking Idea**

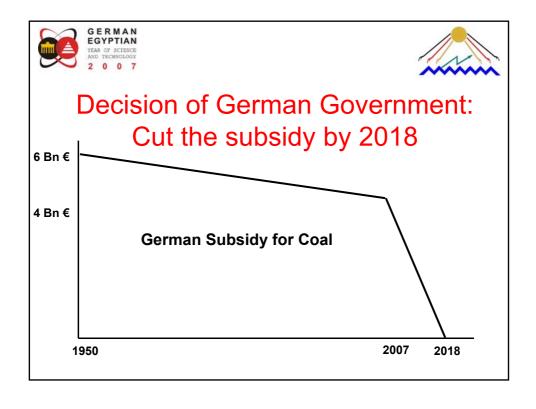
**German Federal Minister of Environment:** 



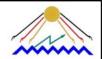
Sigmar Gabriel

Studies on potential by the **German**Aerospace Center find that solar thermal power plants in southern Europe and northern Africa could play an important role in securing a sustainable European energy supply.....
The idea is ground-breaking: it means that in 20 to 30 years we can procure part of our energy from solar power plants in North Africa. ....one day, the European "super grid" will be able to transfer electricity produced in solar thermal power plants to central Europe — without any power cuts!









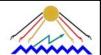
## Subsidising a Technology ...

- Technology will spread in the Market
- More Producers and more jobs
- Competion will cause prices to fall.

#### **Result:**

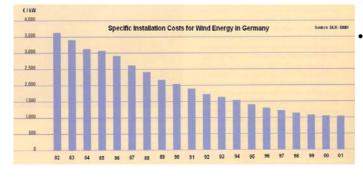
Subsidies are reduced automatically





## **Example from Germany**

- More than 22 000 MW Wind Capacity operating in 2007
- 240 000 New Jobs in Renewable Energy Technologies



Price falling from 3600 €/kW to less than 1000 €/kW





# The Requirements in Egypt are different ...

- Not only Electricity is needed (8% increase yearly)
- Water is also needed (A second Nile by 2050)

