# myclimate
## The Climate Protection Partnership

## Experience with Gold Standard methodologies for household energy

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CDM workshop on methodologies for household energy

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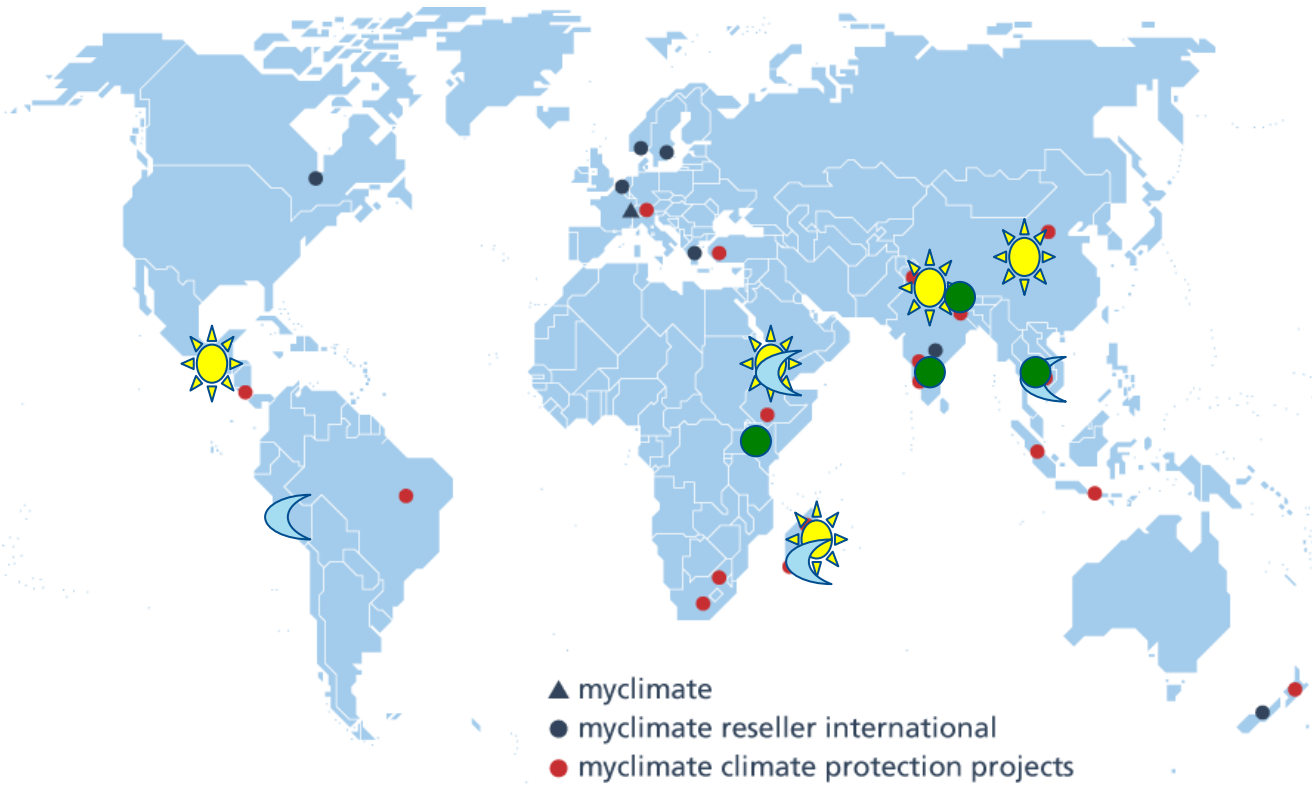
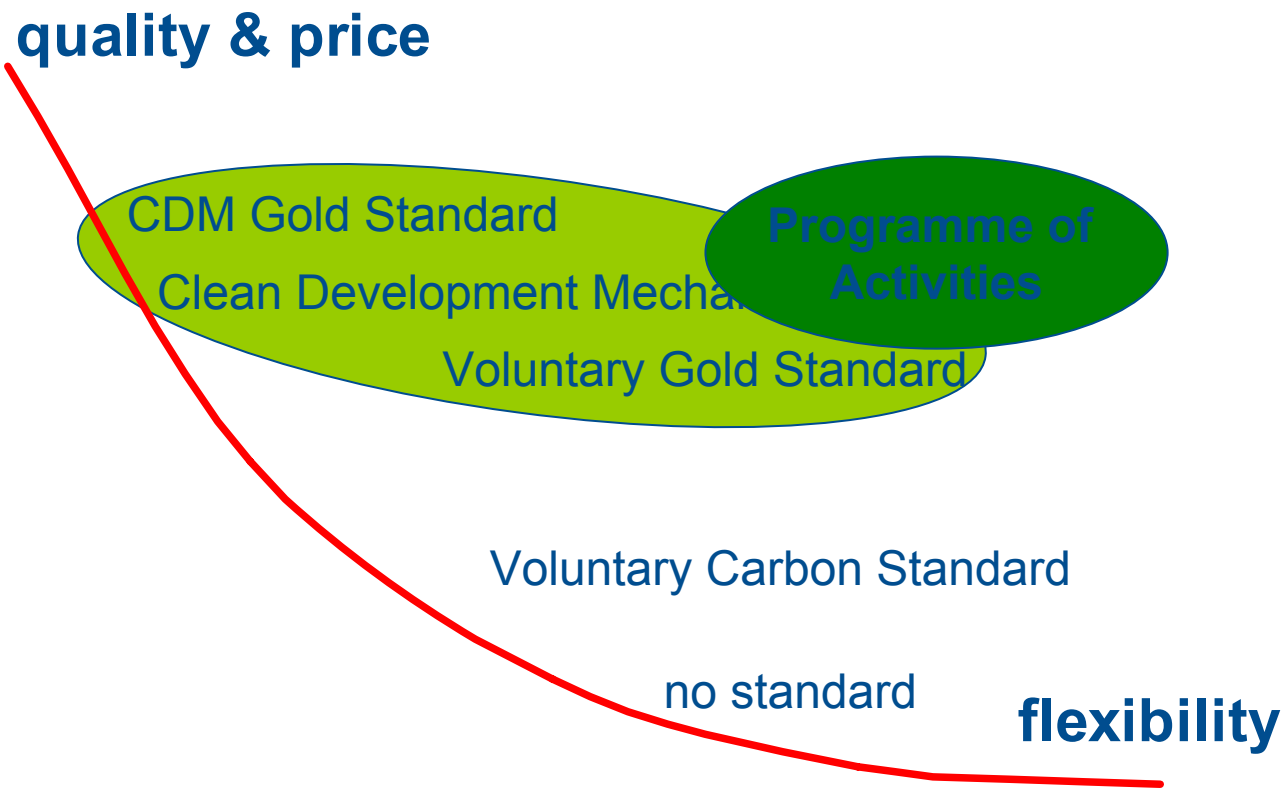
# myclimate carbon offset projects

- Carbon offset projects, especially household energy



# Standards in the carbon market



# Why Gold Standard & not CDM

- CDM asks to convert wood savings into fossil fuels
  - 35-40% less emission reductions
- Few voluntary costumers ask for CDM credits
  - Gold Standard is credible (in emission reductions)
- Costumers (& we) value development benefits
  - Not guaranteed by CDM
  - Thoroughly assessed by Gold Standard

# Experience with GS methodology

- Very complex
  - Baseline assessment
    - Is Pilot Sales Record representative?
    - Why not use existing data?
  - Monitoring cumbersome
    - Representativeness  vs. Transaction costs
  - Project has to be started before registration
    - Time lag, financing for the first years?
    - Additionality?

# Experience with GS methodology

- Inconsistent wording / misunderstanding
- Supressed demand -> use of dung as sign?

# Experience with GS methodology

- Registration is achievable!

*ADES solar & efficient stoves in Madagascar*

# GS meth, what is positive?

- flexibility (new stoves, improved stoves, ongoing sales)

- Programmatic approach is feasible

-> Project in Peru

# Programmatic approach in Peru

Voluntary PoA

managing entity, consultancy, GS VER buyer

managing entity in Lima, coordination, training for KS KT, stakeholder consultation

VPAs (Voluntary Programm Activi-ties) 2008/09: 3 NGOs in 3 regions

VPA 2010 not yet defined

VPA 2011 not yet defined

VPA 2012 not yet defined

# Pros and Cons of voluntary PoA

- Pros
  - Only 1 registration
  - Lower transaction costs from 3rd VPA on
  - Standardization of projects
  - flexibility

- Cons
  - larger initial costs
  - coordination needed

  -> larger risks

- -> PoA makes only sense if
  - long-term thinking coordinating entity
  - VPAs can clearly be delineated
  - Assessment is focused on PoA level
  - Many actors

# Questions for discussion

- Simplify GS meth w/o losing stringency?
- What happens with NRB projects if a REDD mechanism is set up in Copenhagen?
  - Nested approach?
  - No conversion into fossils any more?

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# Thank You
# for Your Attention!

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