

The Project Finance Market – Is it Open for Biofuels?

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Presentation Outline

- Overview of Westar
- Investment Trends & Opportunities
- Biofuels Finance Structures & Risks
- U.S. Financing Programs
- International Financing Opportunities
- Other International Programs



Westar Clients

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Westar has assisted clients in obtaining over \$680 Million in financing.



Key Client Sectors

Technology Providers & Stakeholders

- Biofuels & Bioproducts
- Renewable Power
- Value-Added Agriculture
- Water Production & Recycling
- Smart Grid Technologies
- Sustainable Fiber Production
- Energy Efficiency Technologies
- Transformational Technologies

Investors & Industry Stakeholders

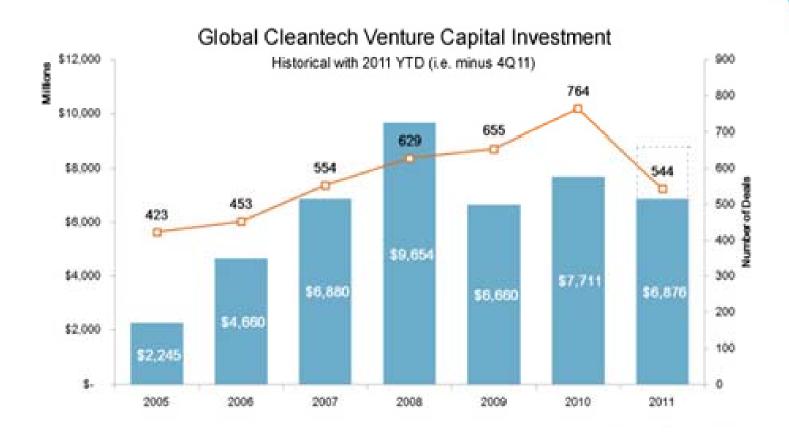
- Traditional & Investment Banks
- Venture Capital Companies
- Multinational Corporation
- Family Office & Hedge Funds
- Oil & Gas Companies
- Food Production Companies
- Air Transport Companies
- Air, Land, & Water Fuel Users

Banking & Finance Stakeholders

- State & Federally Charted Banks
- Investment Banks
- Equity Providers
- Family Offices & Hedge Funds
- International Development Banks



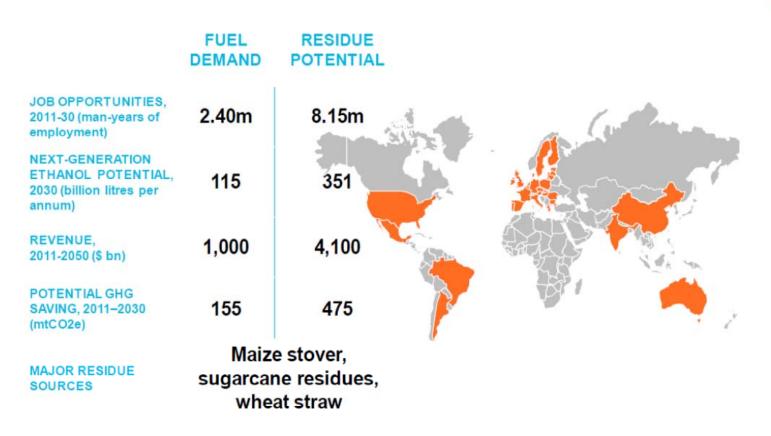
Global Cleantech Investments



Source: Kachan & Co.



Investment Trends & Opportunities

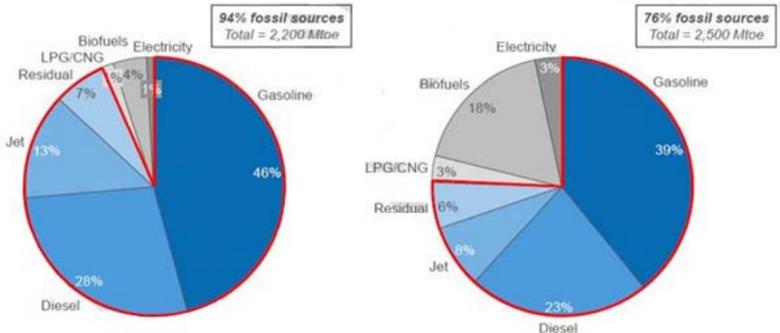


Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance

westar TRADE RESOURCES

Transportation Energy Consumption Projections 2010-2030

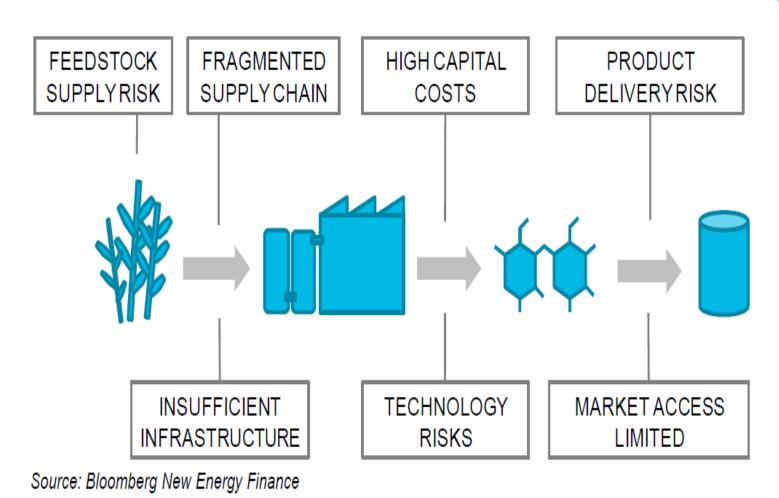




Source: World Economic Forum Report, "Sustainable Transportation Ecosystem."



Investment Risks





Challenges in Alternative Fuels Financing

- Capital Cost of Commercial Facility
- Long-term Sales Contracts
- Long-term Supply Contracts
- Scale-up Risk
- ASTM Certification
- Bank Syndication
- Debt Interest Rate



Sample Biofuel Finance Structure

Step One – Development Phase

Tech.
Provider

Equity
Provider

Offtake
Provider

Provider

Feedstock
Provider

Site

Fuel
Cert.

Step Two – Evaluation Phase

Feasibility
Study

3rd Party
Eng.
Report

Gov't
Assistant
App.

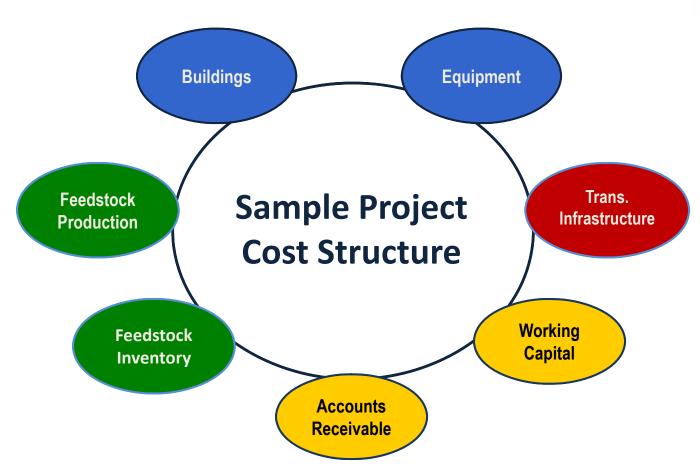
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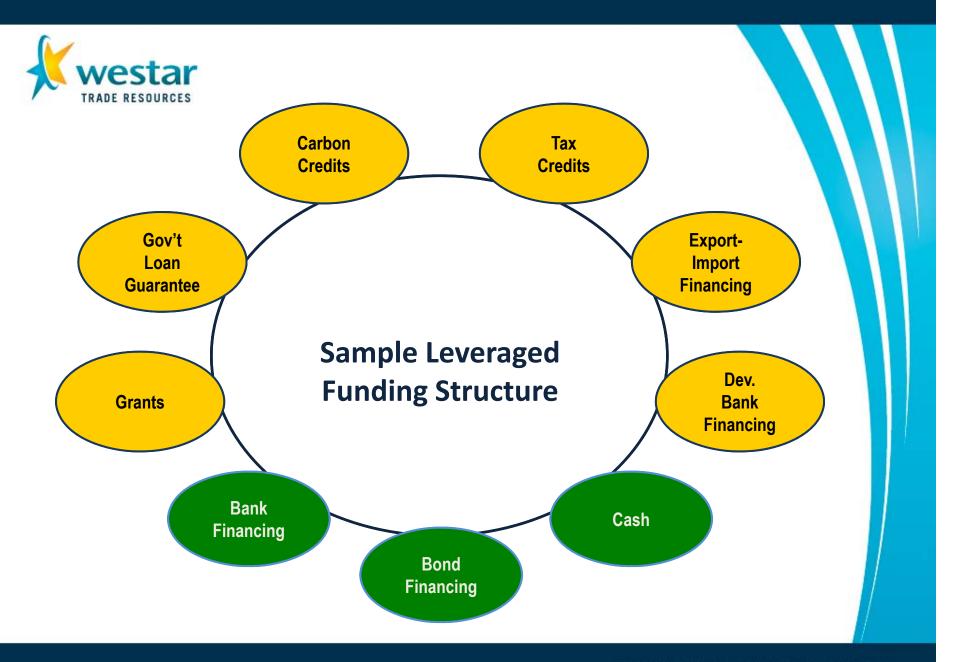
Step Three – Lender & Government Approval

Conditional Commit.

Loan Closing









Export-Import Bank

Medium and Long-Term Loan Guarantee

Program Highlights:

- Up to 85% loan guarantee, no minimum or maximum limit to the size of the export
 - sale that may be financed with Ex-Im Bank's loan guarantee.
- 15% down payment is required from the buyer
- Small business financing rose over 70% from \$3.3 billion in FY 2008 to \$6 billion in FY 2011
- Renewable-energy exports increased to \$726 million in FY 2011 from \$30 million in FY 2008

Eligibility Requirements:

- Products must be shipped from the U.S. to a foreign buyer.
- Ex-Im Bank cannot support exports of military or defense products and services (with some exceptions).



Overseas Private Investment Corporation

Medium & Long-Term Financing

Program Highlights:

- 50-65% possible OPIC participation for a new venture and Up to 75% possible OPIC participation for an expansion in emerging markets of a successful existing operation
- Loans from \$100,000 up to \$250 million per project
- Direct loans and investment guaranties Direct loans available to U.S. firms with under
- \$250 million in sales or \$67 million in net worth
- Medium to long-term funding: Minimum 3-5 years and up to 15-20 years

Eligibility Requirements:

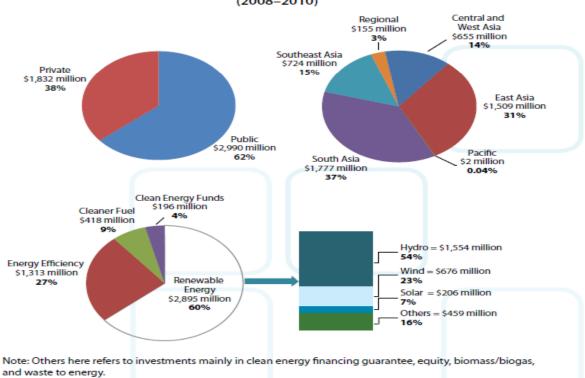
- Financially and commercially-sound project producing an adequate cash flow
- 25% U.S.-ownership
- Sufficient equity
- Track record of success in the same or similar industry



Asian Development Bank

Clean Energy Program

ADB's Clean Energy Investment Portfolio (2008-2010)



Source: ADB database.

Program Highlights

- 27% of total loans in ADB fund go to clean energy components
- \$2 Billion investment target by 2012
- Applications reviewed in 6 batches: Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sept,, and Nov.
- Eligible activities: biomass, biofuel, biogas, rural electrification and energy access, distributed energy production, waste-toenergy projects and other clean energy technologies



Other International Financing Programs

- Inter-American Development Bank
- Sustainable European Investment Bank
- Australia Export Finance and Insurance Corporation
- Bancomext Mexico National Export Bank
- India Export-Import Bank
- EKF Denmark Export Credit Agency
- Export Development Canada
- Export-Import Bank of Korea



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