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Generating Additional \$billions for Climate Action through a Differentiated Levy on Shipping Fuel

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Two Problems ...



- Current mechanisms to finance climate change adaptation in developing countries are inadequate, both in scale and design
 - The financing gap is huge, 100:1
 - Tens of \$billions are needed annually
 - Available total: \$0.4bn

Yet the poorest countries are most vulnerable, will be hit hardest by climate change and did not create the problem



Financing gap

\$0.4bn

- 2. International shipping emissions are outside of the Kyoto Protocol
 - Attempts to address them have failed
 - They are significant and grow rapidly
 - Double+ the emissions from aviation
 - Regulation needs to comply with the differentiated climate regime (CBDR)
 - Global and complex

Example:

How to attribute ship's emissions:

- Swiss owned
- Flying Liberia flag
- Chartered by Danish company
- Leaving Saudi Arabia
- Cargo for NY, and Shanghai
- Via international waters

\$50bn



- International shipping CO₂ emissions would form one emission bubble (no allocation to countries)
- Ships would be liable to pay a levy on fuel for transporting goods to:
 - Rich countries only: @100%
 - Poor countries only: 0%
 - Both to rich & poor: 60%, on average
 - Based on % of goods transported to rich countries annually by the ship/company
 - Enforcement in Annex I ports: pay up 100% or prove you should pay less
- Level of levy would be determined by an emission cap and the market carbon price (by a formula not a political body)
 - Levy paid to the central ship account bypassing national coffers!
 - Based on already compulsory fuel receipts
 - 100% of revenue generated goes to climate change

Outcome



- Worldwide, the share of goods transported to Annex I is **60%**
 - Day 1 of scheme: 60% of maritime emissions covered, with an ambitious emission cap e.g. 20% emission reductions for Annex I

• Easily Affordable:

- Marginal cost: just +0.1% on import prices to Annex I (\$1 per \$1,000)
- No impact on imports to non-Annex I



FUNDS pa*	2013
Adaptation	2.5
Mitigation	2.5
Technology	1
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* In \$billions per annum **TOTAL: \$6bn+**

- A central, supra-national approach and ICT solution would be:
 - Efficient and implemented rapidly; it could operate from 2013 vs. decades for the separate country-by-country approach
 - Future-proof, by being automatically compatible with any CC regime
 - Legal under international laws (UNCLOS, WTO, MARPOL; would use IOPC Funds as the precedent for direct collection of funds)

Conclusion



- Benefits of intern'l collaboration enabled by ICT are very significant:
 - Lower costs, even 100 times; \rightarrow increased payout to climate
 - Increased compliance
 - Increased speed to results, global deployment in just a few years
 - Reduced risk of failure to address global issues; reduced delivery risks
- From our experience, such a paradigm shift requires:
 - Financial support to scale up (please talk to us if you can help)
 - Practical solution demonstrators to convince sceptics
 - Mobilization of various stakeholders
- The EU is in privileged position to have a leading role in putting such an ICT-enabled solution to work:
 - It is one of the least controversial and most effective ways to generate significant additional climate change funding
 - Already on the negotiation table, supported by many countries
 - Details: <u>imers.org</u>