

IMERS

A hybrid scheme for international shipping to address climate change mitigation, adaptation, and technology

Emerging discussion on financing mitigation & adaptation

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Agenda



- Key Issue
 - Financing Mitigation, Adaptation, and Technology Transformation
- Hybrid approach for shipping (aka IMERS)
 - What
 - How
 - Why
- Financing Mitigation and Adaptation at a scale of \$10bn annually
 - Achievable from 2012 onwards

Key issues & 4 pillars of Bali Roadmap ...

International transport and climate change are truly global

1. Mitigation

Intern'l maritime emissions at 1GtCO₂, **4% of total**; exempt from taxes, growing, unaffected by Kyoto P; more than double the emissions from aviation, greater than the 6th highest polluting country; complex!



3. Technology

Essential to developing states – technology, better infrastructure and faster processes could reduce the high freight costs, and lead to increased growth.

Technology transformation, including hydrogen transport, could dramatically reduce cost & emissions, but R&D spend goes down rather than up.

Freight cost as % of import (c.i.f., 2005): Developed countries: **5%** Developing countries: **8%** (source: UNCTAD, IMF)

2. Adaptation to climate change

Crucial to developing states - the poorest countries are most vulnerable & will be hit hardest by CC.

- Current financial mechanisms are inadequate \rightarrow
- **50:1 gap** (\$billions/pa needed, \$0.4bn available)
- New innovative means are urgently needed



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4. Financing

How to finance mitigation, adaptation & technology for a global industry such as maritime transport?

How to:

- square the different priorities and needs?
- achieve adequate and predictable financing?
- be affordable?

Some argue that a "differentiated approach" is not appropriate for global shipping, as most ships are registered in developing countries (77%), but owned by companies in industrialized countries . © A. Stochniol 3





- Address differentiated priorities in one cohesive supra-national scheme
 - Halve maritime GHG emissions (in long-term)
 - **Reduce the gap** in financing for adaptation (in \$bn annually)
 - Contribute to sustainable economic growth

At an affordable cost, equivalent to: Adding \$1 to price of \$1,000 of imported cargo (=0.1%)

While delivering on the UNFCCC principles, including:

Common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities

*IMERS initiative was started 1.5 years ago; public good funded privately

- No allocation of emissions to countries, one aggregated emission goal
- **A fund** established to invest in:
 - Mitigation of shipping GHG emissions (purchase of CDM/JI credits)
 - Adaptation to climate change in developing countries (\rightarrow Adaptation Fund)
 - Near-term and long-term transformations (technology R&D, and transfer)
- A novel hybrid economic instrument (cap-and-charge)
 - Delivering a quantity target through fair emission charges (set 1 year in advance)

• Differentiated charge^{*} & differentiated use of revenue

- Link the base charge to:
 - Emissions growth above a goal
 - Carbon market price (it exists!)



- Proposed fund proportions:
 - Mitigation and Adaptation (50:50)
 - 30% of adaptation financing to LDCs (Least Developed Countries)
 - Mark-up for technology development and transfer, and operational cost

* Charges can be differentiated by type of ship (even 0 for food import)



Carbon markets are essential for the hybrid to work

Scheme diagram







- Primary questions after 10 years. Which instrument is:
 - Likely to be better designed?
 - More flexible?
 - Including innovative financing for technology transfer, and adaptation to climate change



Financing mitigation and adaptation, & technology For the ambitious '20-50 LCA goal'



- Shipping contributing fairly to the Long-term Cooperative Action (LCA) goal
 - Notional emission reductions of 20% in 2020, and 50% in 2050 from the 2005 level
- End user cost impact will be Very Low:
 - Adding \$1 to price of \$1,000 of imported goods (0.1%)
 - Details: Charges as % of carbon market price, impact on fuel price, shipping costs and on end customer:

Year	% of C\$	\$/ t fuel*	Shipping \$	Customer
2012	30%	\$27	2%	<0.1%
2020	46%	\$42	3%	<0.1%
2035	70%	\$64	5%	<0.2%

*For market data: \$30/tCO2, \$500/t HFO fuel





- The hybrid scheme can be ambitious (+\$4bn for adaptation), affordable and achievable
 - Cost is very low as shipping is the most carbon efficient transport
 - Significant emission reductions will be achieved through transformational changes such as hydrogen transport brought forward by a decade or so
 - Maritime complexity requires however a global, centralized scheme to keep the costs down; \$billions can be wasted with an indirect approach

FUNDS pa	2012	2020
Technology	\$2bn	\$2bn
Mitigation	\$4bn	\$8bn
Adaptation	\$4bn	\$8bn
Ops Costs	0.5bn	0.6bn

Conclusion



- Multilateral progress is key
 - Norway embraced the idea in May 2007, submitted as MEPC 56/4/9 to the IMO process
 - Positive multi-party discussions followed both in the IMO and the UNFCCC
 - Significant progress and achievements: <u>www.imers.org/buyin/achieve</u>



- International transport and climate change are truly global
 - The deal can be global, ambitious and affordable
 - Financing Mitigation, Adaptation, and Technology Transformation
 - "4 Bali pillars in 1 maritime scheme"

