

### Some Contentious Issues for CSD15

- Little willingness among countries to set sustainability criteria for energy and industry lobby want to "use all sources"
- Little willingness among countries to deal with energy subsidies
- We want to change focus of development banks and development funding, but countries embrace "green" funding & WB Framework for Clean Energy and Development.
- Push "modern" rather than "sustainable" energy for poverty reduction (i.e. electric grids, LPG)

### Does it matter?

- CSD is the global meeting place on sustainable development between Summits (Joburg, Rio)
- CSD can be a place where global initiatives and decisions gain momentum (involve new countries, partners, etc.)
- CSD produces few strong decisions, but (soft - uncommitting) language is used for UN-system and bilateral cooperation (not much WB)
- Strong lobby from nuclear and fossil industry

### Some possible good decisions

- Targets for renewable energy (EU & others)
- Push for UNDP and UNEP to integrate energy in development
- Program of voluntary commitments (like Bonn Plan of Implementation 2004)
- Push international agreement on energy efficiency (eff. standards, education, financing)
- World Renewable Energy Program
- World Sustainable Energy Day
- Follow-up of CSD15 with review and responsible organisation, 2010/2011 & 2014/2015

Thank you,

Time to discuss

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