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Since 2007, public and industry environmental awareness has led to a sharp increase in volumes. The impact of the proposed change to the RES Directive has yet to be felt., and the market continues to grow rapidly.

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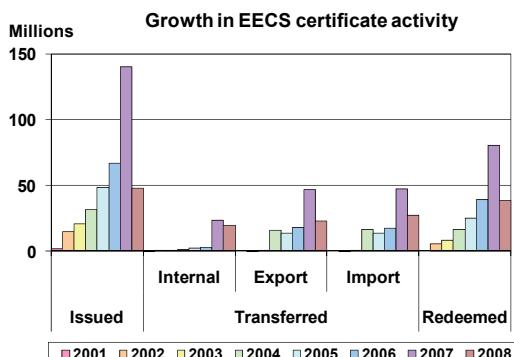
Brussels is applying for, and Wallonia recently gained, membership, while Spain remains unrepresented due to the regulator gaining responsibility for renewable energy guarantees of origin (RES GO). Several countries are applying for membership of the CHP GO scheme.

MARKET ACTIVITY

The market continues to grow rapidly. Annual issuing, international transfers and redemption more than doubled in 2007, and continues to grow at double the rate of previous years.

Norway and Flanders continued to increase their share of redemptions, joined by Germany, while Sweden and Netherlands retain their market share. The major certificate issuing countries remain Norway, Sweden, Finland and Netherlands. The largest exporters are Norway, Sweden and Finland, recently joined by Denmark; while major importers are now Flanders and Finland, followed by Netherlands, France, Austria and Germany.

The proportion of certificates that were redeemed rose sharply to 81% in 2008, but dropped slightly to 57% of those issued in 2007.



Technology / energy sources

Hydropower continues to grow, accounting for 94% of issued certificates, eclipsing other technologies; although wind power still contributes 4%. Most redemptions are for hydropower (and to a far lesser extent biomass and wind), at the expense of all other technologies.

MEMBERS

In Benelux, **Wallonia** and Brussels have yet to commence activity, and **RECS** activity has resumed in the absence of Walloon participation. **Flemish** certificate issue was similar to 2006, while imports and redemptions increased markedly. **Dutch** redemption continued to grow at around the same rate as 2007, but issuing was lower. International trade was substantially larger than last year.

Of **Nordic** countries, **Danish** issuing, redemption and export has recently increased to well above previous years. **Finland** issued the same and redeemed and exported more, importing substantially more than previous years. **Norway** continues to issue, import, export and redeem certificates more than ever, facilitating very large trades. **Sweden** issues and redeems more certificates than ever, exporting about the same as last year, but importing considerably more. Nordic market growth is due to change in legislation and practice requiring redemption of RES GO for disclosure relating to 2007 by spring 2008. Many resulting redemptions have occurred and others are expected.

Of the **Mediterranean** countries, the **French** market has slowed after last year's rapid growth: international trade and redemption are significantly above previous years, but issuing is down. Italian issuing is similar to last year, while redemption is higher, but there has been no international trade. **Slovenia** redeemed some certificates, but was otherwise inactive. **Spanish** issuing and redemption ceased in autumn 2007, due to the issuing body being replaced.

For **central Europe**, activity in **Austria** has been low compared with previous years. While **Swiss** RECS certificate issuing was normal this year, redemption is rising and international trade has markedly picked up, perhaps anticipating the arrival of Swiss RES GO. **Germany** continues to import and redeem considerably more certificates than in previous years.

Finally, on the **Atlantic** coast, a small number of **Irish** certificates were issued, but there has been no other activity. **Portugal** continues to issue small numbers of certificates, but there has been no international trade.

(all figures 1MWh certificates)

Since 2001:

- ISSUED: 371 million
- TRANSFERRED: 123 million
- REDEEMED: 213 million

In 2007:

- ISSUED: 140 million
- TRANSFERRED: 47 million
- REDEEMED: 81 million

In 2008 (so far...):

- ISSUED: 48 million
- TRANSFERRED: 27 million
- REDEEMED: 38 million

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THE RAW DATA—BY COUNTRY

	Total	Issuing & Redemption for all technologies										2001 Issued	2001 Redeemed				
		Issued	Redeemed	2006		2007		2008		2009		2004	2005	2003	2002		
		Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed		
Austria	7,625,351	17,773,568		63,921	285,885	2,851,824		316,911	4,602,618	1,560,474	3,122,146	2,452,748	6,129,706	1,950,554	918,704	1,057,599	
Belgium Brussels																84,669	
Belgium Flanders	2,878,446	20,089,031	256,432	8,012,435	1,387,616	8,635,485	1,234,397	3,441,111								1,150	
Belg & Lux RECS	113,390	2,048,355	431,750		671,224		437,651		450,730		50,000		7,000	59,150		54,240	
Belgium Wallonia																	
Switzerland	1,949,522	1,224,812	62,437	208,220	118,242	162,986	820,502	215,399	59,782	495,653	512,442	102,924	276,837	35,530	99,220	4,100	
Germany	48,351	8,824,542	2,844,483	70,031	1,004,623	192,062	529,882	564	631,304	77,965	5,963	48,647	41,789	4,500	149		
Denmark	3,628,461	287,271	432,640		1,771,213	1,719,744	604,270	571,403	126,319	174,334	901,135	795,287	24,614	74,233	153,128		
Spain	5,125,591	2,605,512														392,989	
Finland	47,105,800	12,365,344	1,780,869	1,184,218	8,265,021	682,821	8,333,595	1,112,145	6,734,247	2,254,194	8,260,681	1,412,330	7,177,954	4,192,610	5,840,401	1,527,025	
France	4,387,831	12,091,433	149,952	361,472	1,966,895	1,0356,326	980,349	610,996	719,430	461,004	443,662	214,878	142,991	86,757	4,552		
Greece																	
Ireland	57,944		46,781		11,163												
Italy	3,458,617	2,230,152	118,947	398,214	1,288,221	928,675	1,185,323	573,660	418,397	241,048	73,970	76,873	59,549	10,557	302,814	1,125	
Netherlands	25,608,007	57,963,565	1,558,620	4,820,594	6,598,528	16,615,270	7,382,431	14,306,508	6,689,893	14,569,852	2,926,947	7,542,276	250,536	107,962	203,052	1,103	
Norway	166,796,365	38,932,307	32,285,148	18,470,538	83,289,057	12,636,718	19,762,654	2,711,968	1,101,274	5,625,516	827,342	7,817,149	725,706	3,500,555	2,458,761		
Poland																	
Portugal	384,766	5,250	34,125		123,583	5,250	173,857		50,201								
Sweden	98,093,432	34,732,352	10,850,410	1,871,381	34,225,391	19,732,466	25,283,491	9,749,209	16,589,875	88,602	5,832,690	59,596	2,040,632	2,106,088	3,150,720	1,125,050	
Slovenia	3,831,333	1,855,887		31,570	31,653		31,653	23,462	167,396	1,769,182	3,600,714					100,223	
Turkey																	
UK	90,158														90,158		
All countries	371,180,364	213,029,421	47,596,421	38,768,827	140,365,008	80,512,227	66,629,315	38,973,347	48,253,604	24,733,055	31,414,433	16,557,972	20,577,994	8,292,159	14,917,282	5,201,833	1,426,307
Percentage redeemed		57%			81%		57%		58%		53%		40%		35%	0%	

NOTE

All certificates are 1MWh. As metering data is the basis for issuing certificates, there is always delay in gaining accurate statistics for a particular month, so the most recent quarter is understated and corresponding information should be treated with care. International trade statistics continue to be misleading due to the practice of redeeming certificates in one country and transferring the renewable benefit over national borders by means of redemption statements rather than via electronic certificate transfer.

THE RAW DATA—BY TECHNOLOGY

Issuing & redemption for all countries									
Report for all countries		2008		2007		2006		2005	
Issue	Redeem	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issued	Redeemed	Issue	Redeem
Onshore wind	17,378,535	10,048,759	1,820,587	1,017,188	5,513,334	3,849,728	4,151,110	2,231,463	3,260,984
Offshore wind	494,807	109,731	71,448	27,745	340,711	76,266	68,202	1,542	2,995
Photovoltaic	14,911	9,351	336	304	4,124	3,039	4,576	3,095	4,133
Thermal	3	1			1	1	2		2,895
Hydropower	306,264,901	161,540,067	44,932,756	33,827,306	129,113,658	68,775,057	54,294,209	30,059,778	38,080,648
Onshore tidal								16,185,307	19,947,178
Offshore tidal									
Onshore wave									
Offshore wave									
Geothermal	662,978	237,618	401,462	106,919			35,627	53,431	55,175
Energy crops	898,834	6,908,753	90,426	2,673,022	166,927	2,892,216	367,017	1,149,815	68,909
Forestry etc	32,724,590	25,952,845	269,462	566,936	2,180,091	2,819,419	3,614,498	2,708,333	3,435,969
Landfill gas	1,123,721	452,924	32,734	42,610	365,746	209,357	334,006	108,838	242,856
Sewage gas	36,205	35,577			966	4,825	546	3,646	5,025
Other biogas	543,070	181,964	55,700	25,031	309,508	103,515	141,715	35,603	26,405
MSW	4,384,946	2,568,923	216,385	253,010	962,360	976,884	1,133,051	705,196	943,379
IB&CW	6,652,958	5,042,908	107,587	307,874	1,007,087	699,846	2,499,963	1,966,401	2,149,496
Total	377,180,364	213,029,421	47,596,421	38,768,827	140,365,008	80,512,227	66,629,315	38,973,347	48,253,604
								24,753,056	31,414,433
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								8,292,159	14,917,282
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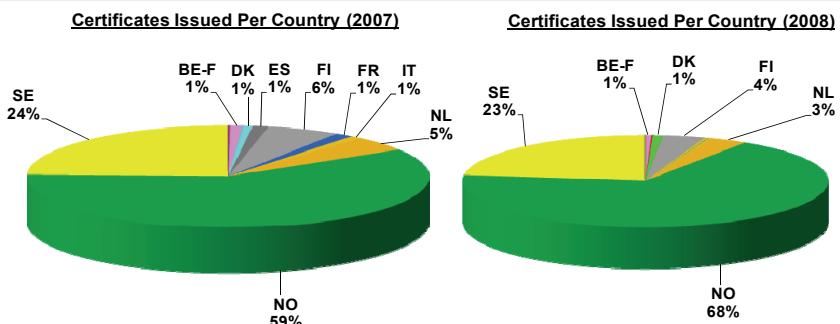
The tables above display issue and redemption statistics for each year to date, and for 2001–8 in total. These, and the following charts, show that volumes issued, transferred and redeemed continue to increase at a far greater rate — more than double — during 2007 and 2008 than in previous years.



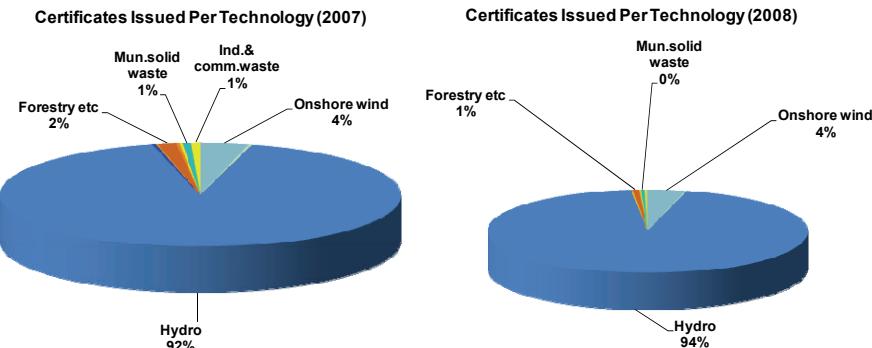
EUROPE: 2006-2007

Source of certificates — country

Comparing 2008 with 2007, the major certificate issuing countries remain Norway and Sweden, then Finland and Netherlands. Note that Norway is now responsible for issuing more than two thirds of all certificates.



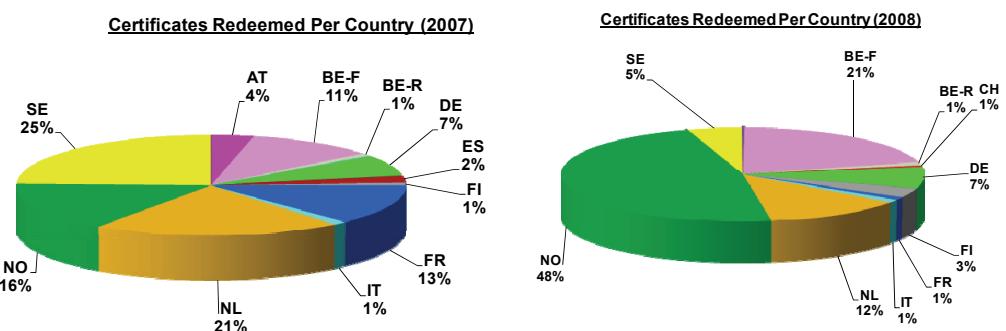
Source of certificates — technology



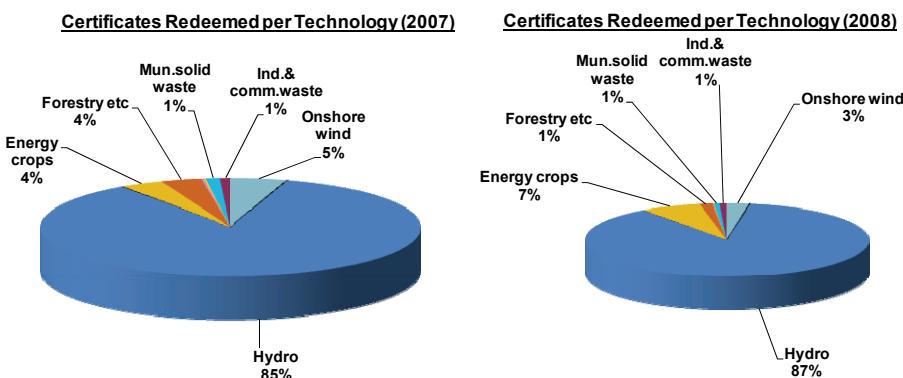
Regarding issued certificates by technology, hydropower has further consolidated its predominant position; most other technologies having virtually ceased to contribute; although wind power still contributes 4%.

Destination of certificates — country

Comparing 2007 with 2008, but for redeemed certificates, Norway and Flanders have continued to increase their share, at the expense of Sweden and Netherlands.



Redeemed certificates — technology



Again comparing 2007 with 2008, but this time for redeemed certificates by technology, hydro continues to increase its market share along with energy crops, at the expense of every other technology.



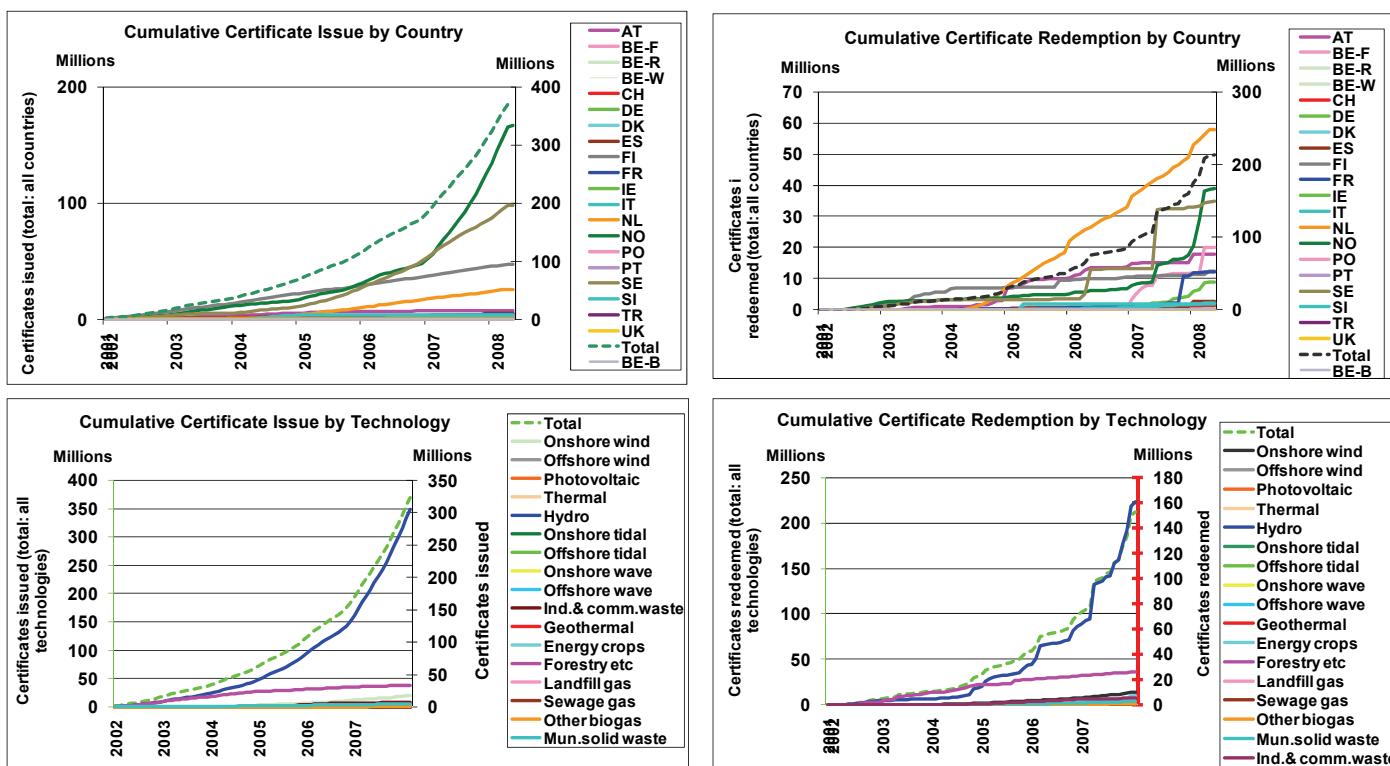
2001-2007: CUMULATIVES

Cumulative issue

Cumulative redemption

Overall, issuing and redemption are increasing more rapidly as guarantees of origin are increasingly used for disclosure purposes in Nordic countries, and also as certificates are used for similar purposes in Germany, Austria, Flanders and France.

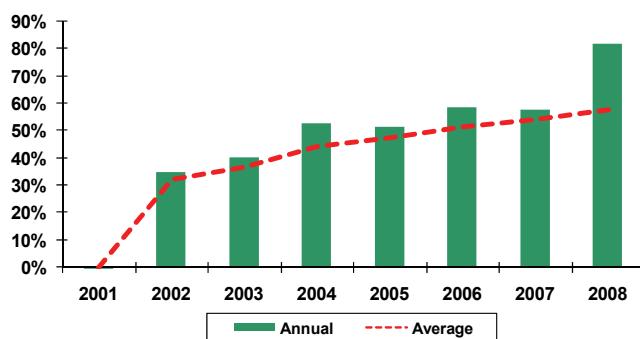
The volume of hydro issued and redeemed continues to increase substantially at the expense of everything else (except wind and forestry).



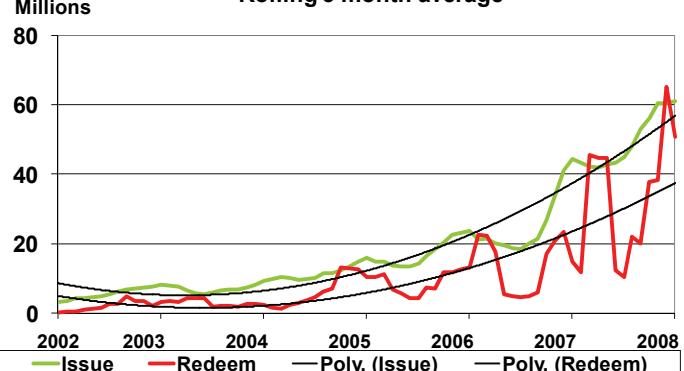
Realisation of value

The proportion of certificates that were redeemed has continued to rise to 57%, both overall and during 2007, but has so far risen to 81% in 2008, as a large number of guarantees of origin are redeemed by Nordic suppliers wishing to use them as evidence for disclosure purposes..

Certificate Utilisation



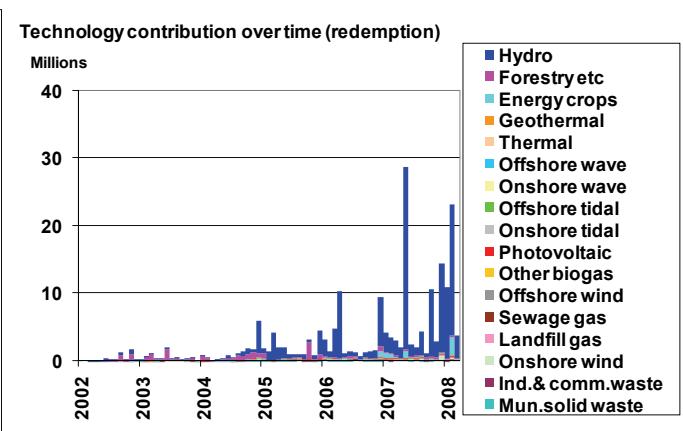
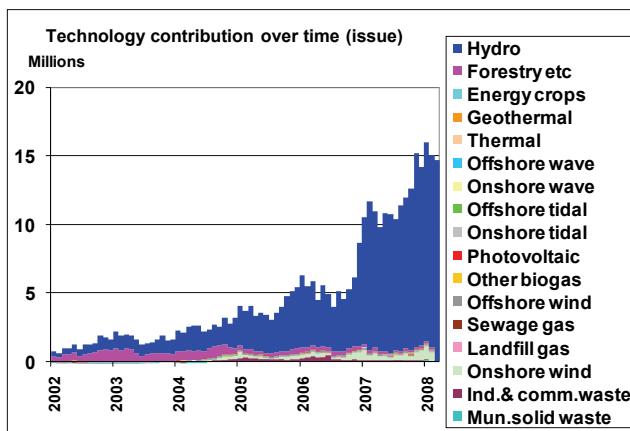
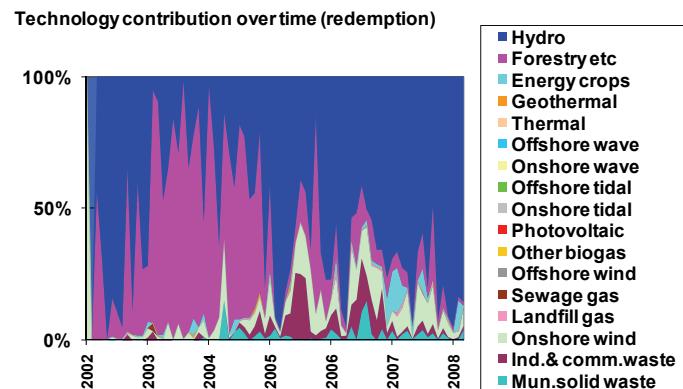
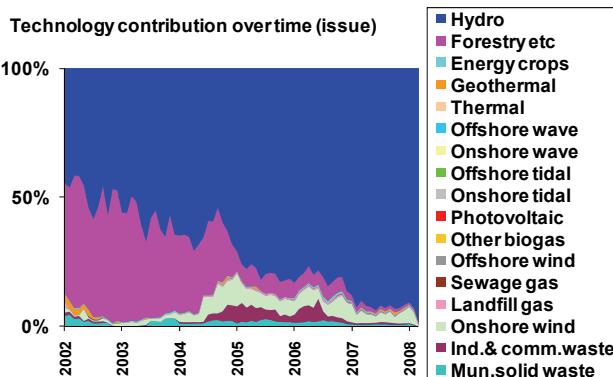
Rolling 3 month average





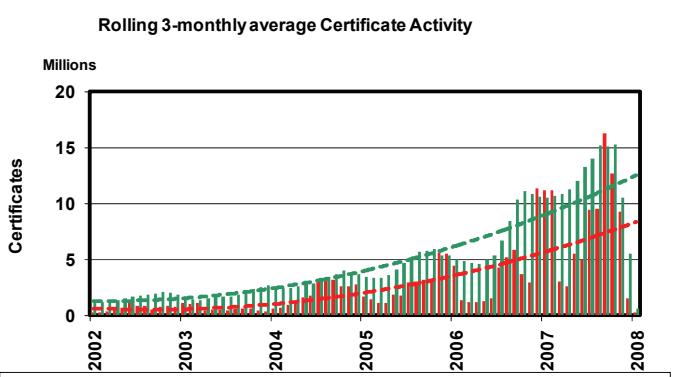
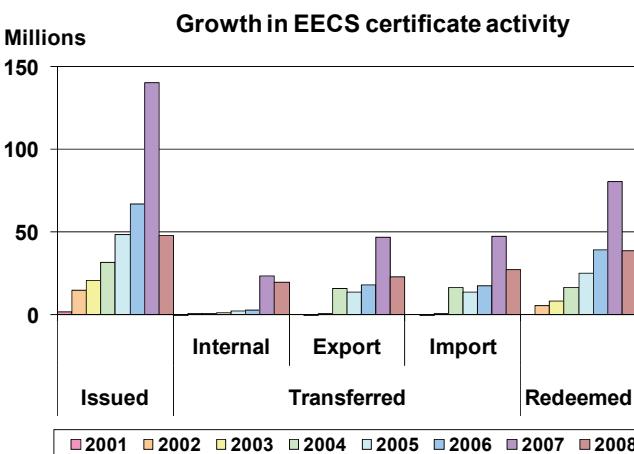
Technology contribution

Another way of considering the changing trends in technology is to consider the blend for which certificates are being issued and redeemed at any point in time. The following graphs show that the significant growth in hydropower certificates is not wholly matched by the market for these certificates – although around 93% of certificates issued in the last 12 months are for hydropower, only 86% of the redeemed certificates are, so demand for other forms of certificate (biomass and wind) is proportionally higher.



Growth

Concerning the growth in issuing, transfers and redemption, it is interesting to see that internal (to a country) transfers are now rising significantly (nearly 9 times as many certificates were transferred internally in 2007 as there were in 2006), having remained



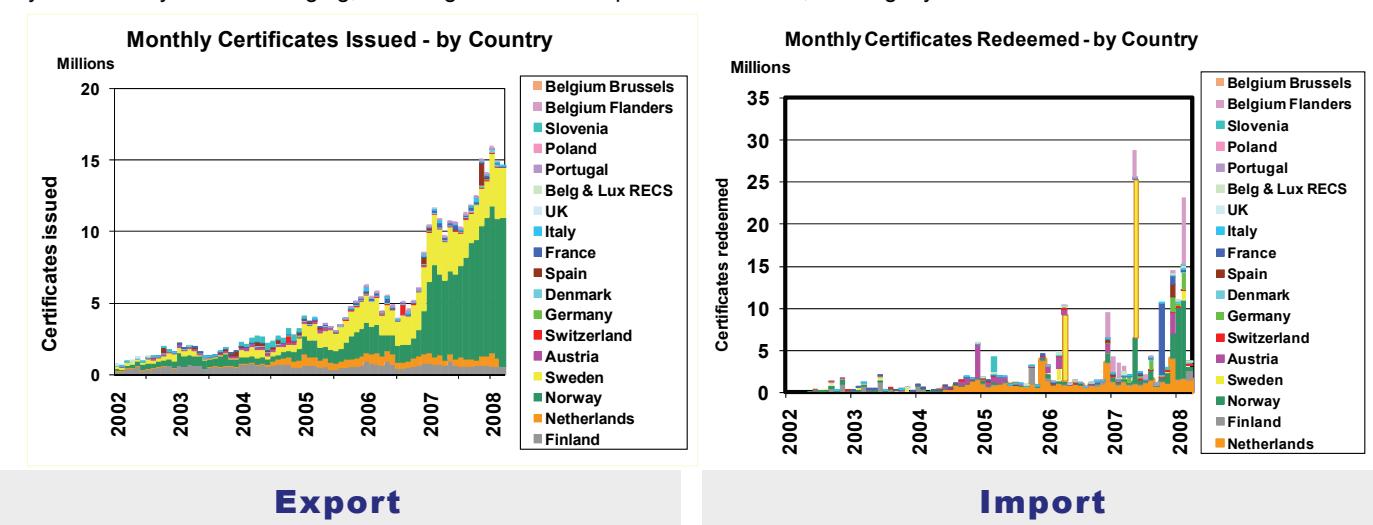
fairly consistent for the previous three years, at a time while issuing, international transfers and redemption have virtually doubled year on year.

Rolling three month averages show that the market continues to grow at a cyclical and increasing rate.

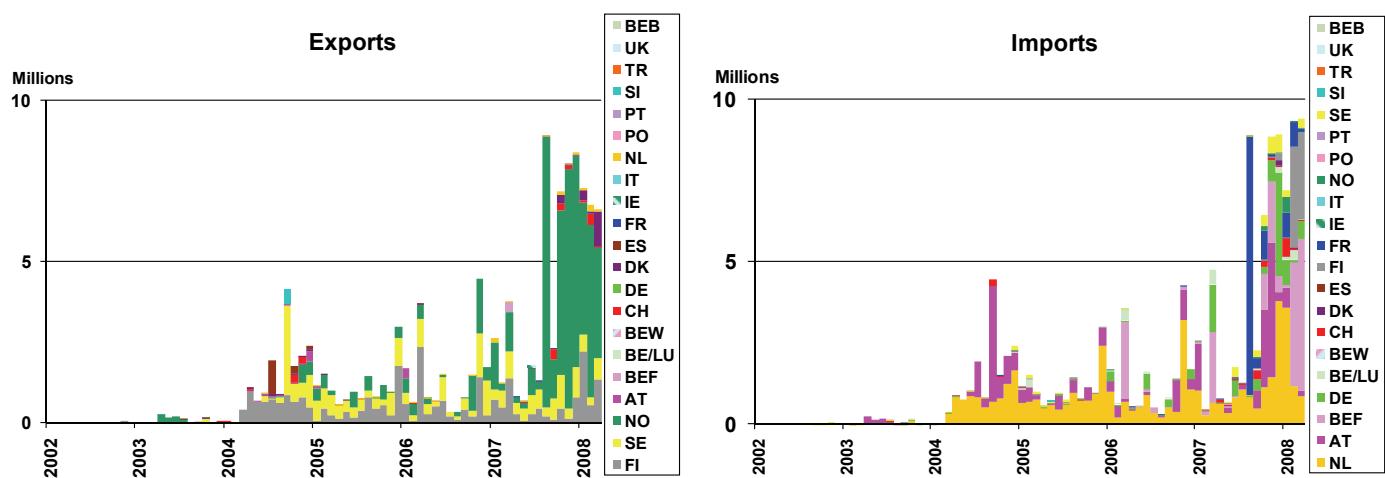


TRADE

The following graphs summarise monthly issuing and redemption, clearly showing the influence on international trade of the producing countries – Norway, and to a lesser extent Sweden, Finland and the Netherlands; and of the consuming countries – Netherlands (the largest by far); Sweden, Finland and Norway (for domestic disclosure); and then Austria, France, Germany & Flanders. Cyclical activity is now emerging, including annual redemptions in Flanders, and slightly later in the Nordic countries.



The largest exporters remain Norway (by far) and then Sweden, Finland and lately Denmark; while Finland and Flanders have recently overtaken Netherlands, France, Austria and Germany as the major importers.

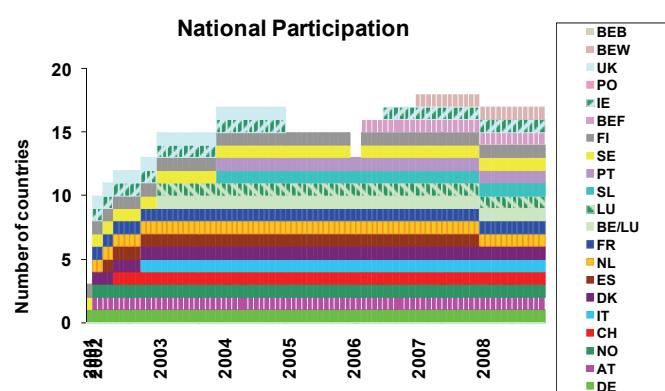


NATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Membership continues to grow, with Brussels now having applied for membership; and Wallonia recently being granted membership.

Sweden has now joined the Disclosure scheme, and Netherlands plans to do so in 2008. Several countries are applying for membership of the CHP GO scheme.

(Note: the short gaps are between Fingrid and Svenska Kraftnat ceasing membership, and Grexel taking over their roles; and Ireland temporarily ceasing membership.)

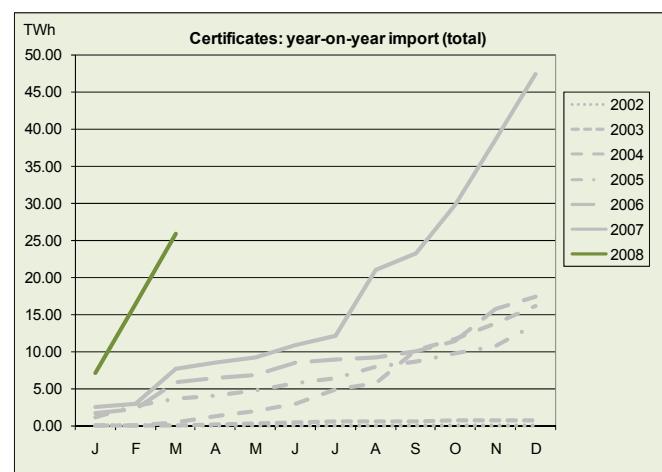
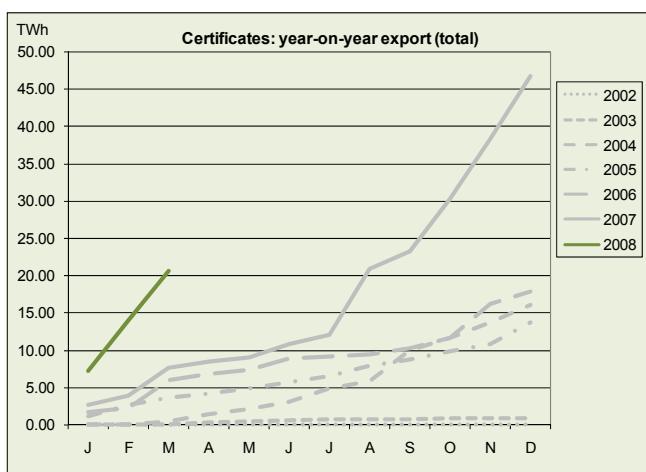
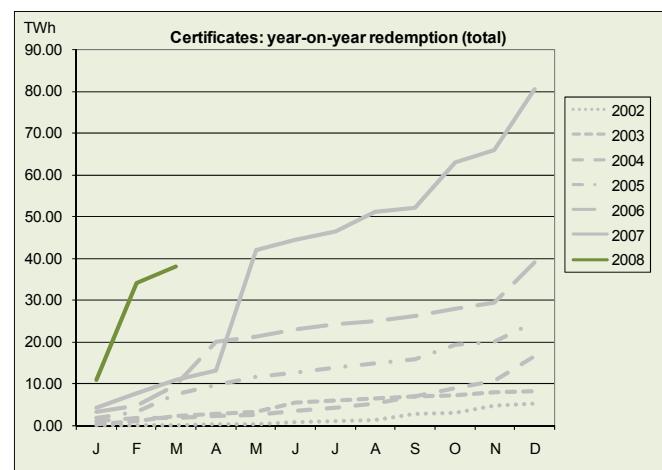




EUROPEAN ACTIVITY

Issuing, international transfers and redemption have all continued to grow increasingly since 2007, at a rate unmatched in previous years—in fact, activity in most areas is several times that of 2006.

This has been driven by the Nordic countries requiring the redemption of guarantees of origin as evidence for disclosure purposes, and by increasing public interest from Austria and Germany for similar reasons.

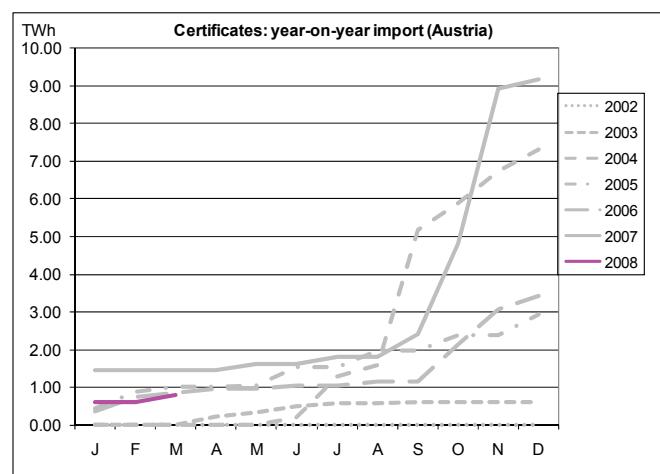
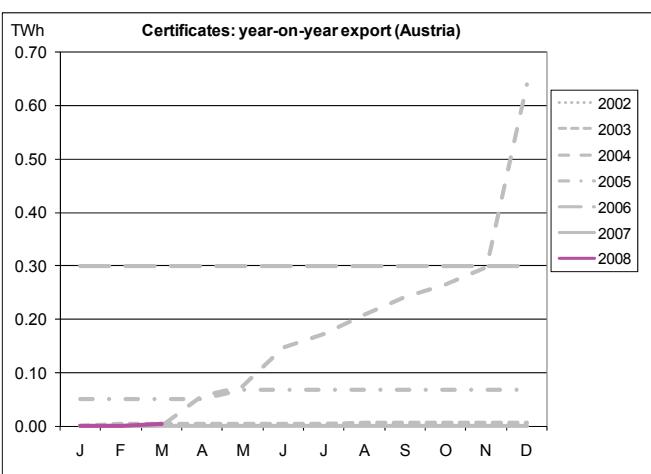
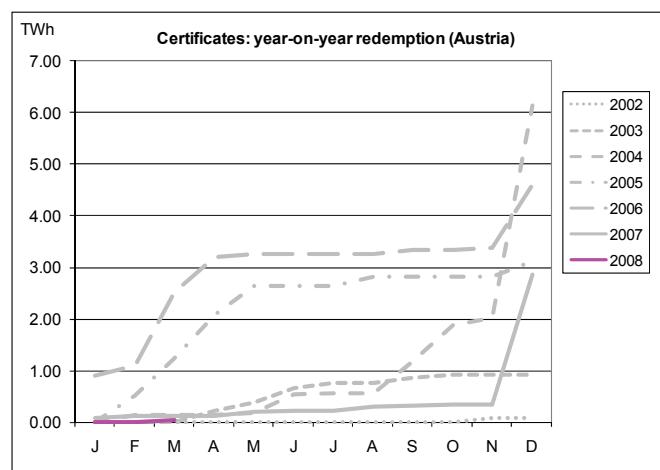




COUNTRY REPORTS

Austria

Austria is re-emerging as a major importer, and is increasingly using its guarantee of origin database (which will be transferred to an EECS database when connected to the HUB). In the meantime, it is importing (mostly from Norway) and redeeming certificates.



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Belgium (Brussels)

Brugel (the guarantee of origin issuing body for Brussels) is currently in the process of preparing the documents in order to apply for membership of AIB, with the intention of commencing issuing during 2008.

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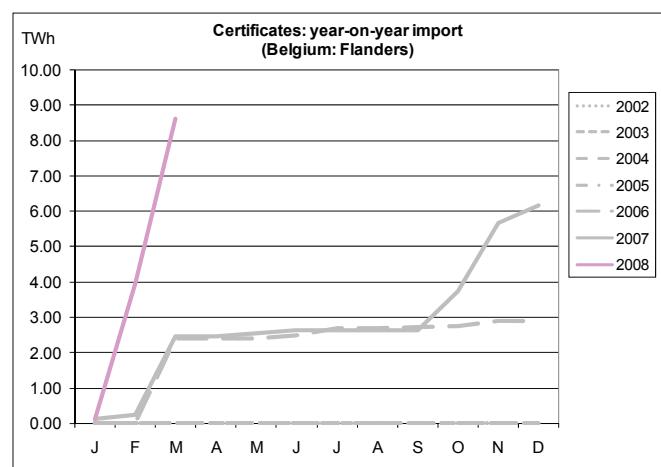
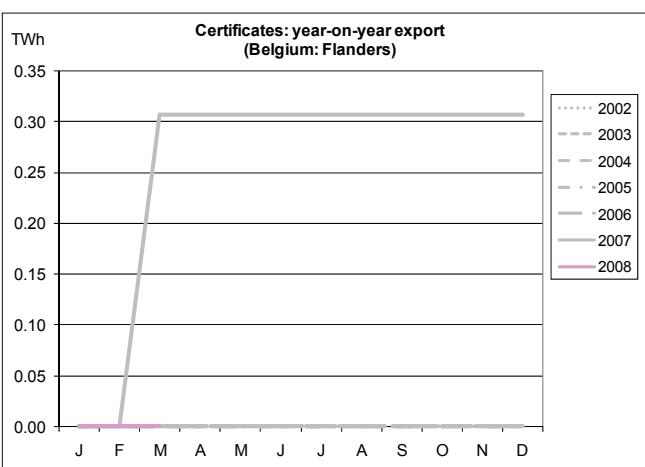
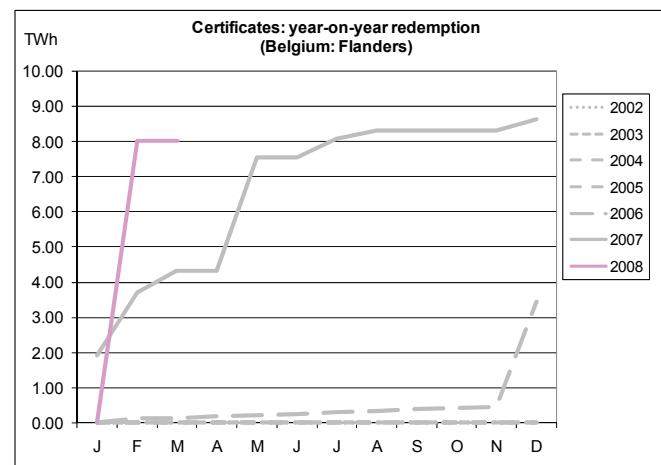
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Belgium (Flanders)

Certificate issue has been broadly the same as last year, but redemption has been far greater. Imports are substantially up on previous years, originating mostly from the Nordic countries, but export has ceased recently. The ongoing redesign of the registry will result in better data being made available soon.



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Belgium (Wallonia)

Wallonia has now been granted membership of the RES GO scheme, on condition that (until permitted by the PRO) it will not issue EECS certificates for energy for which any other certificate will be issued (this specifically relates to Walloon support certificates).

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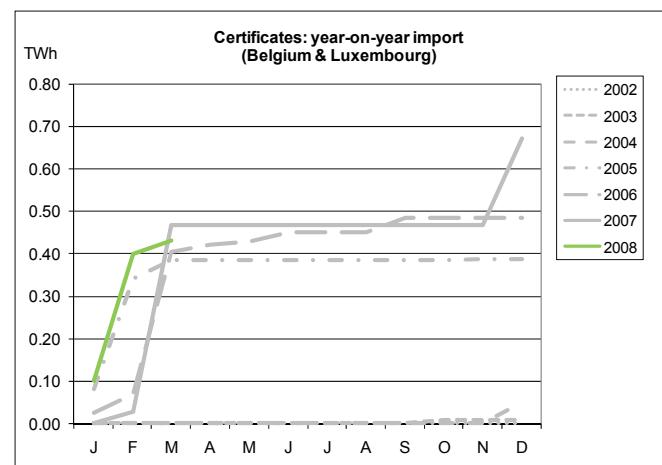
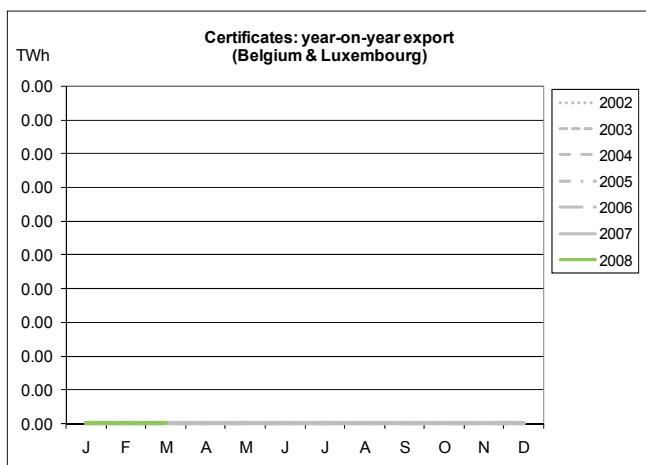
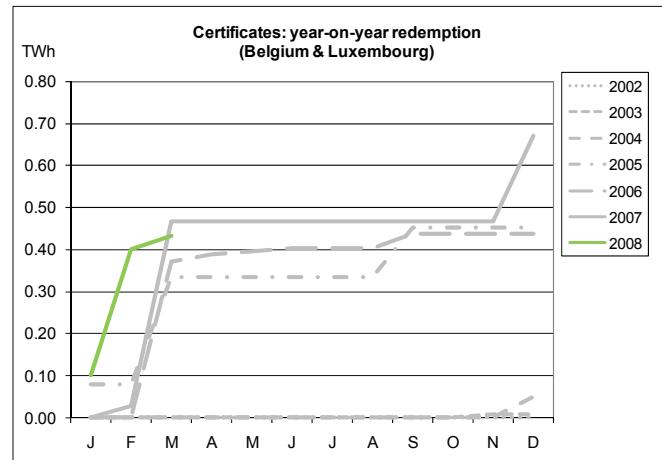
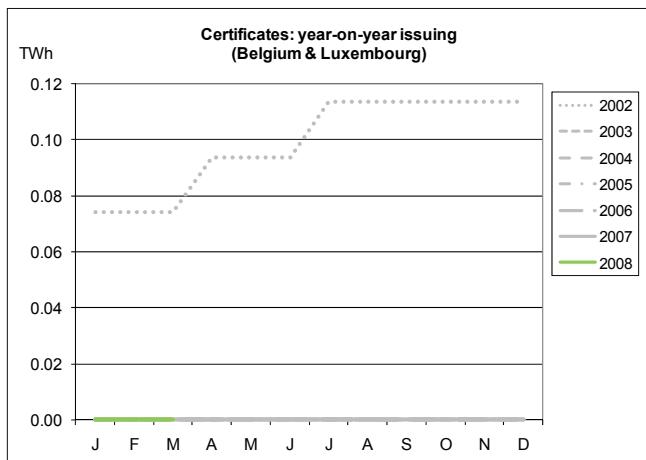
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Belgium & Luxembourg (RECS)

RECS activity, as expected, virtually ceased with the promise of Wallonia commencing operations. However, the delay in Wallonia commencing issuing (due to issues surrounding the accommodation into EECS of Wallonian support certificates, and systems issues) has led to renewed import and redemption activity at a higher level than in previous years.



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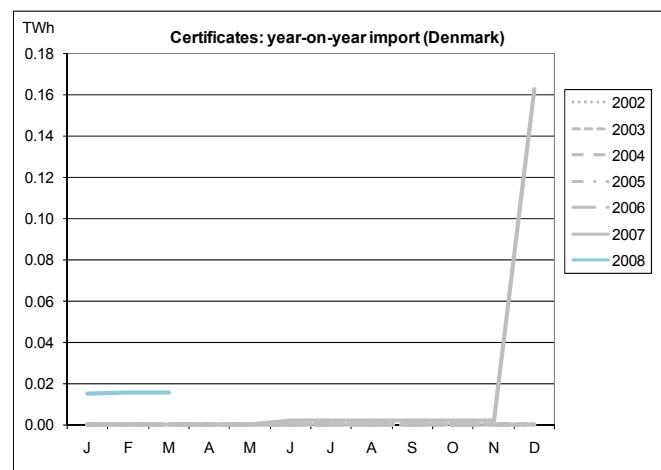
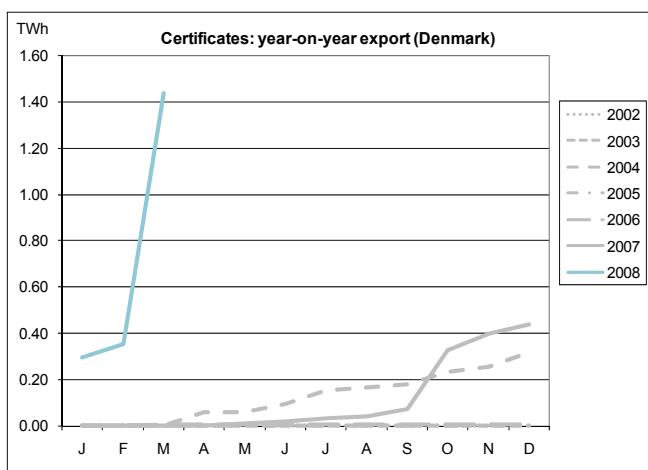
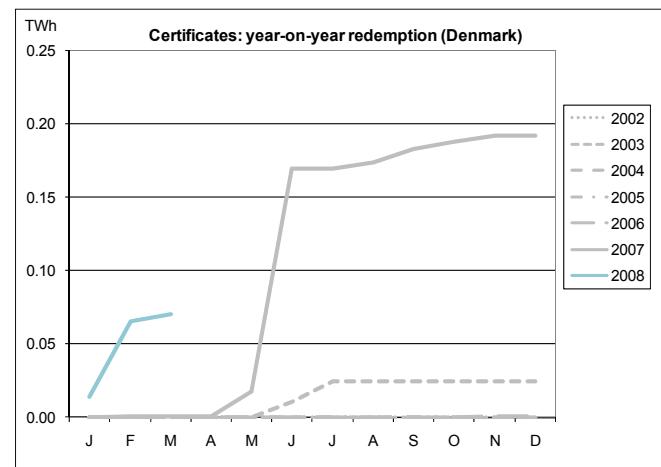
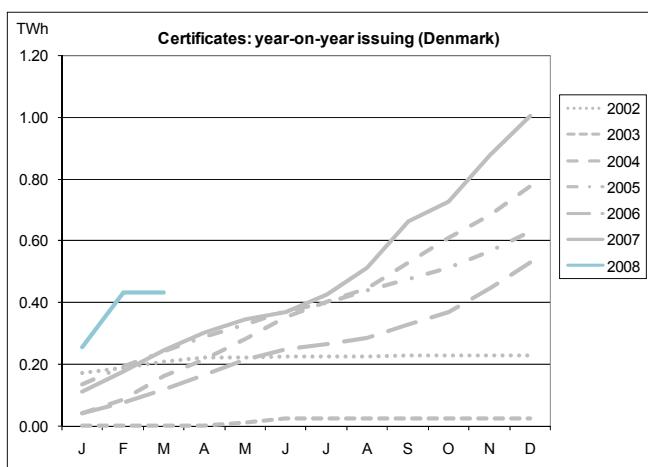


Denmark

Activity in all areas is now increasing to the extent that Denmark has commenced importing, exporting and redeeming certificates, and activity in all areas is now running much higher than in previous years.

This appears to be due to last year's changes in legislation requiring the redemption of guarantees of origin as evidence of consumption of renewable electricity. The deadline for this redemption is April 2008, when redemption volumes are expected to rise significantly.

It has also been stimulated by increased public interest in environmental matters, such that traders as well as producers are now interested in account-holding; and companies are interested in improving their environmental footprint.



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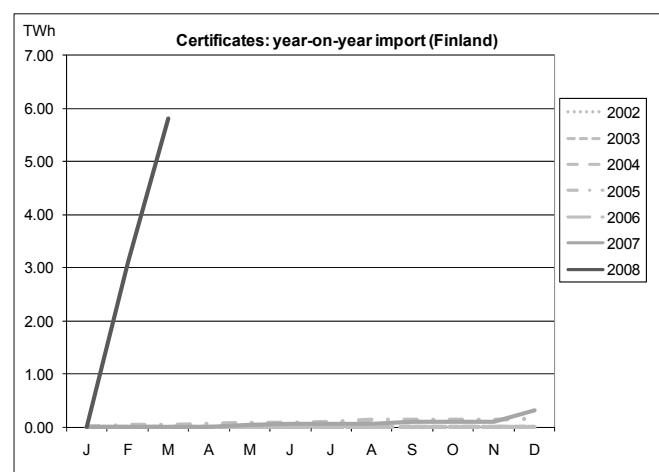
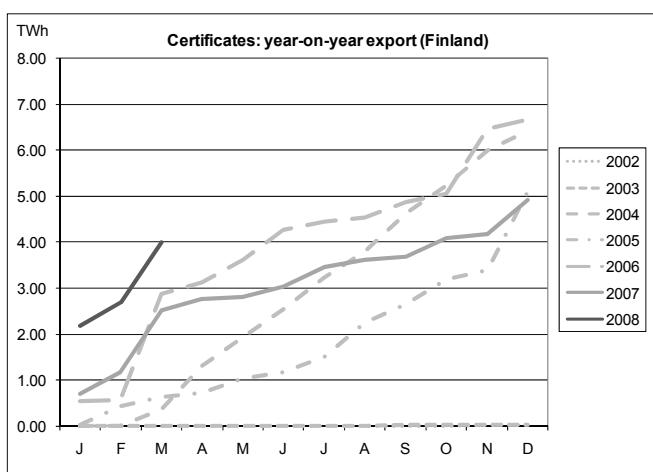
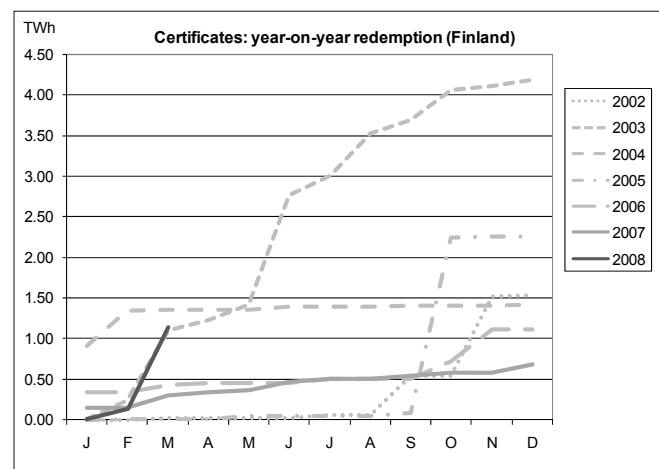
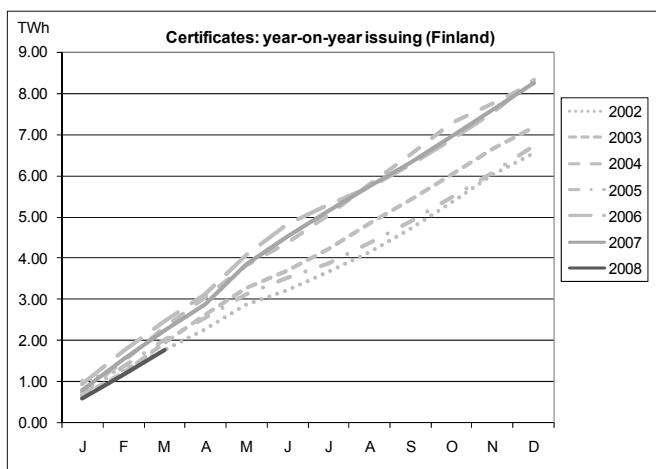


Finland

During 2007, Finland issued broadly the same as in previous years, but redeemed far less than its usual large number of certificates. However, in 2008 normally service has been resumed, with issuing volumes slightly lower, but redemption exceeding that in previous years.

International trade is now substantially exceeding that in previous years, both imports and exports.

A major factor in market behaviour has been last summer's update to the recommendations of the association of electricity producers. This clarifies the treatment of energy source disclosure, recommending guarantees of origin be redeemed as evidence of the consumption of renewable electricity. Given that it will naturally take time for these provisions to be implemented, the major impact will probably be seen during 2008. The deadline for redemptions for 2007 is sometime in spring 2008, when redemption volumes are expected to rise substantially.



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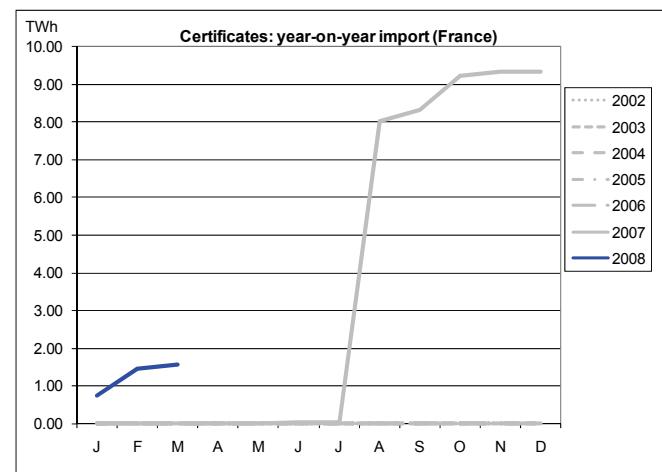
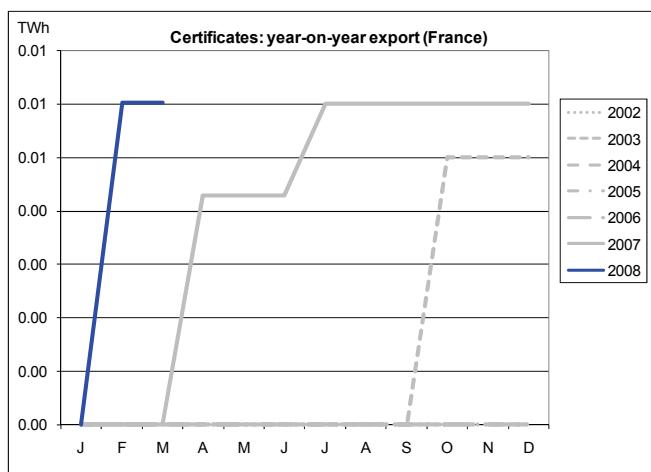
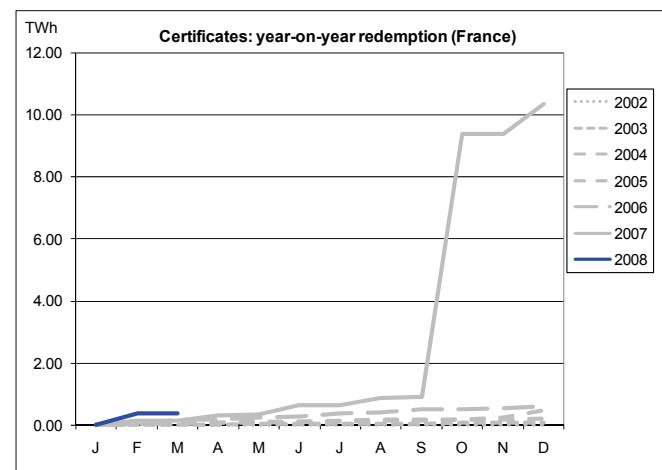
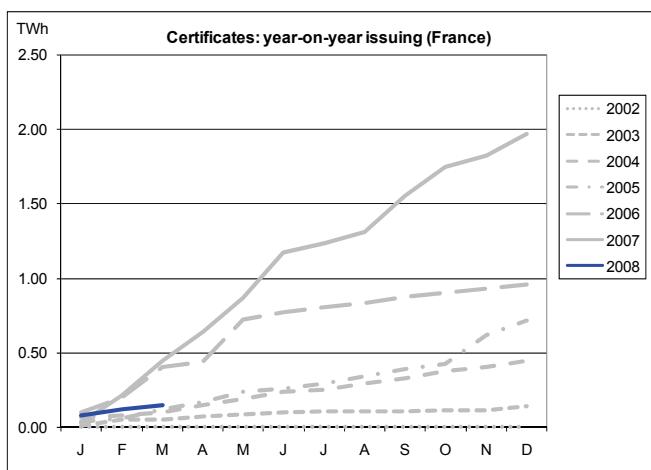
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France

The French market continues to grow rapidly, with international trade and redemption far outstripping that of previous years – and of many other members. At present, there are no details of the reasons for this huge growth in demand: it is hoped that this will be available by the next issue of this bulletin.



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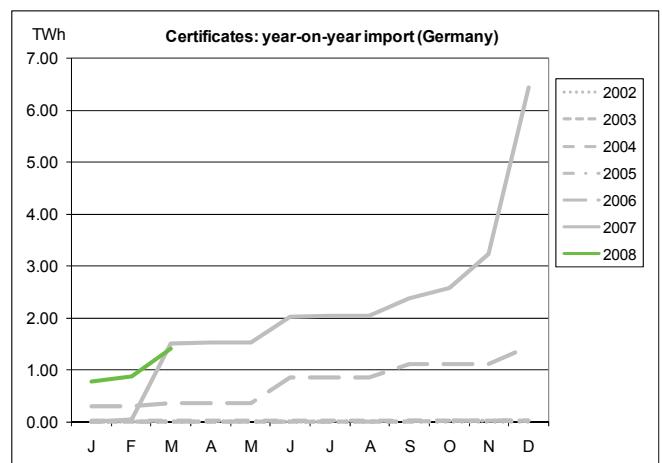
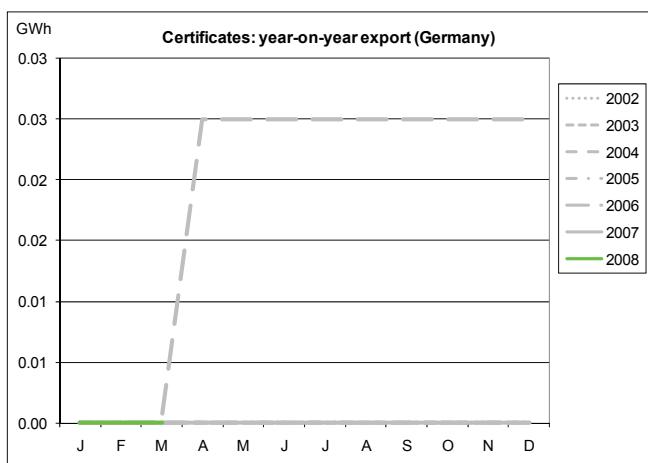
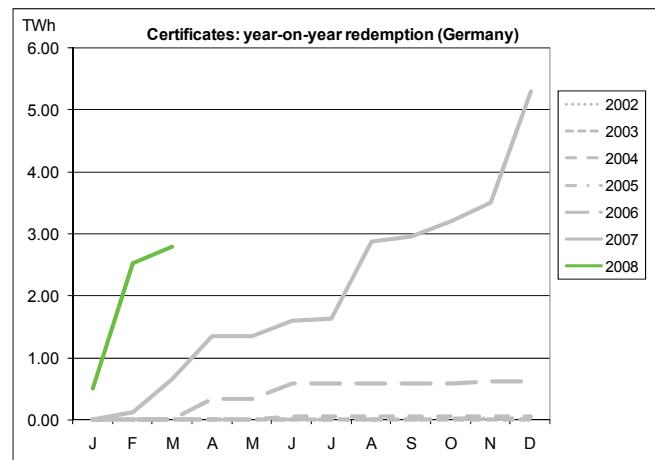
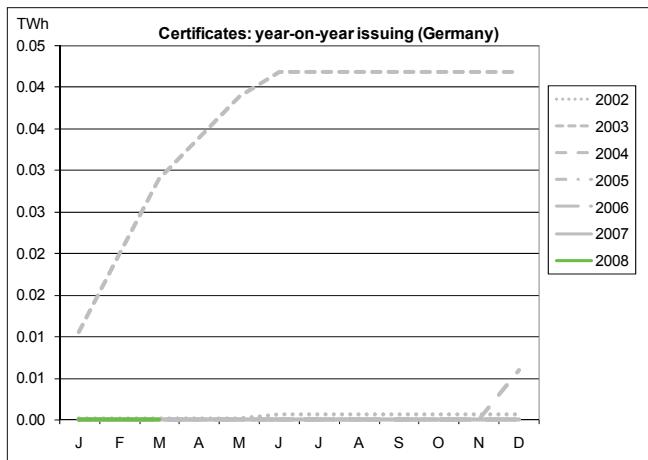
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Germany

Germany imported and redeemed large numbers of certificates during 2007, well in excess of the numbers experienced in previous years. The majority of these appear to have originated in Norway and Sweden. During 2008, the import and redemption of increasing numbers of certificates has continued.

The increase in demand has been brought about by increased public interest in environmental matters. This has resulted in companies wishing to improve their environmental footprint; and in consumers seeking to buy electricity with a larger renewable component than that provided under the renewable energy law (EEG), which covers most renewable energy produced in Germany.



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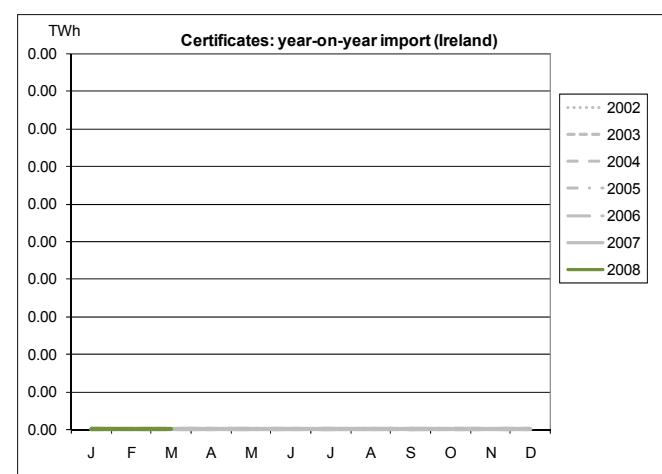
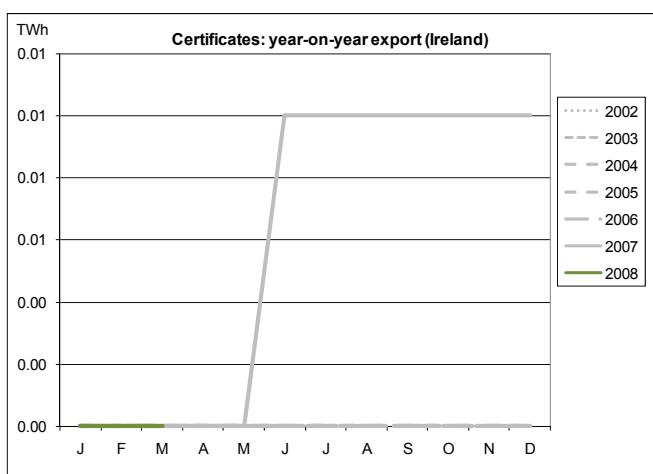
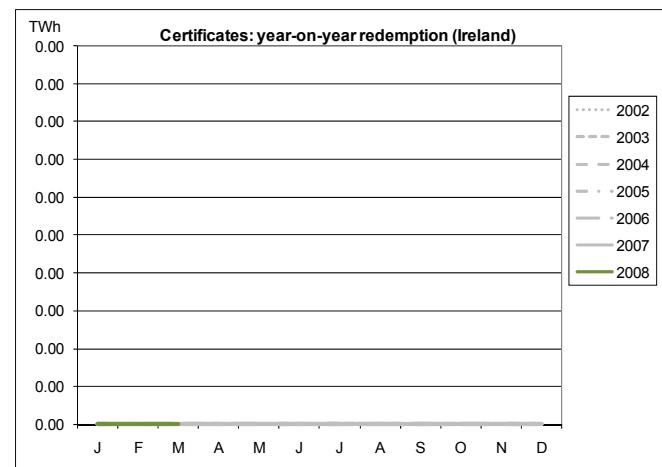
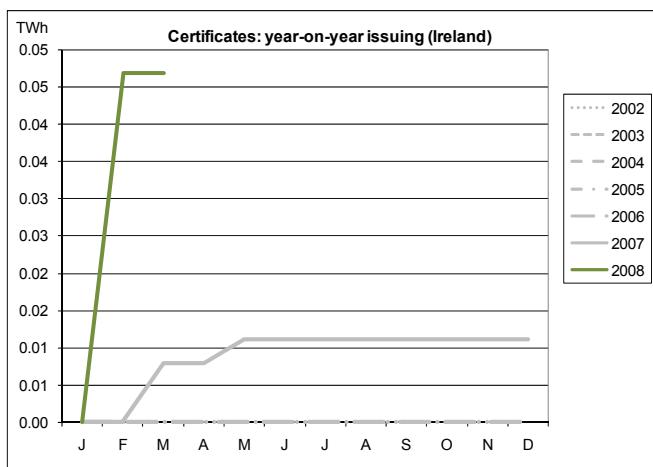
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Ireland

The Irish market opened early in the summer of 2007, certificates being issued and exported, but activity ceased shortly afterwards, apart from some certificates issued in February of this year. Nonetheless, Ireland will remain a member of the Association in 2008, and it is hoped that activity will resume later in the year.

Following the commencement of the Single Electricity Market (both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland) late in 2007, Ireland is now paying serious attention to what it has to set up under the RE and CHP Directives on GoO. It is likely that some action will follow in the coming months but the competent body has yet to be appointed.



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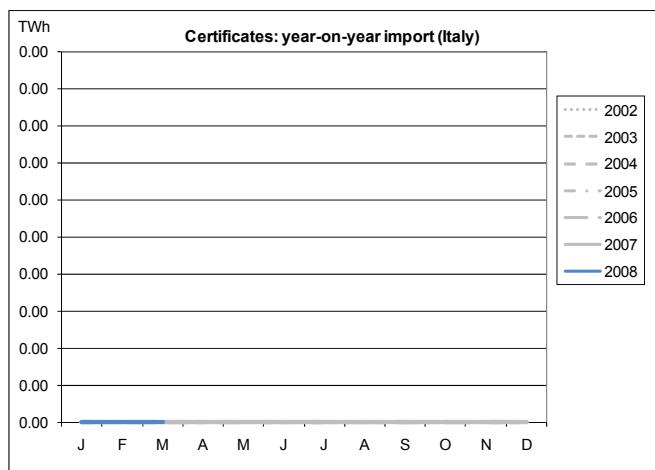
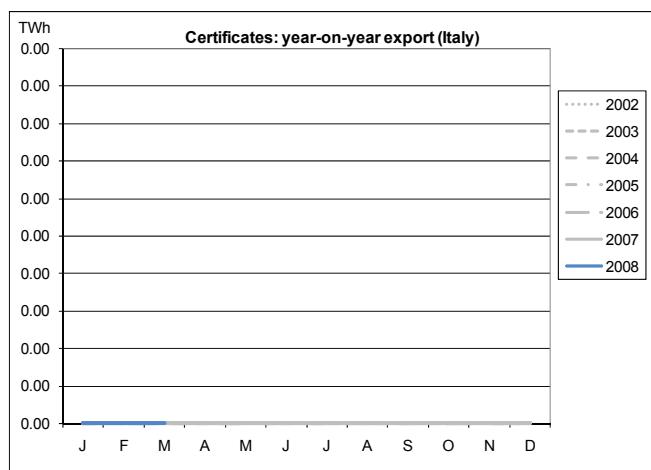
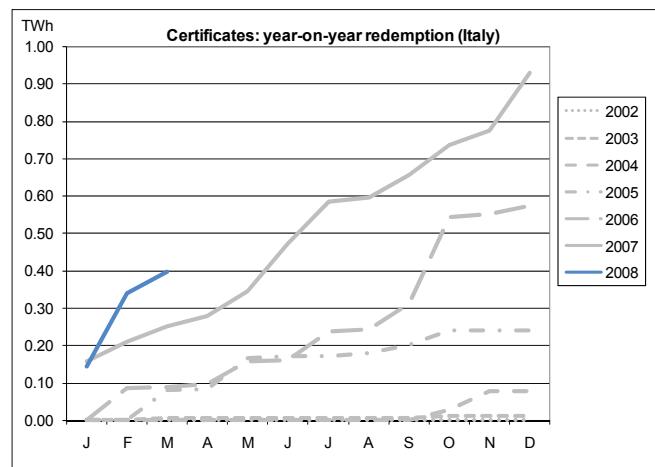
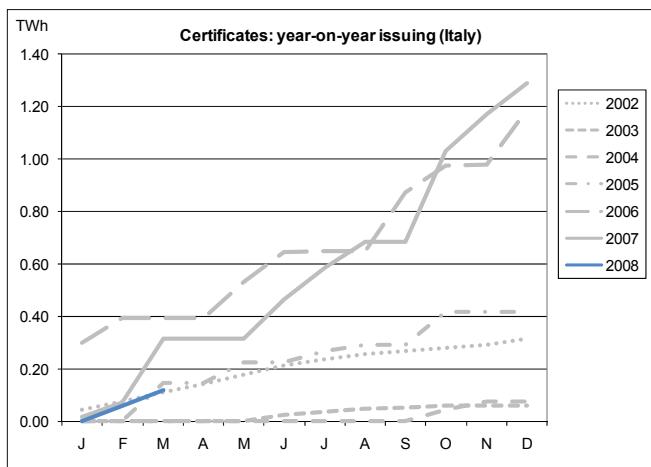
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Italy

Issuing in 2007 was similar in volume and profile to 2006, but redemption was considerably higher. This trend has continued into 2008, seeing continued growth in redemption of certificates.

There were no international transfers (but see Switzerland).



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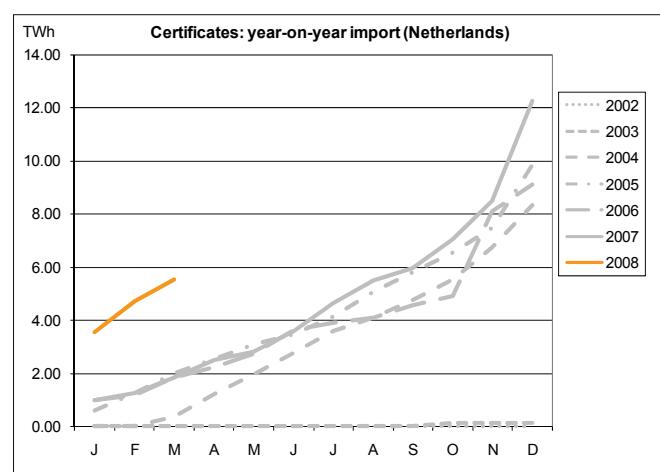
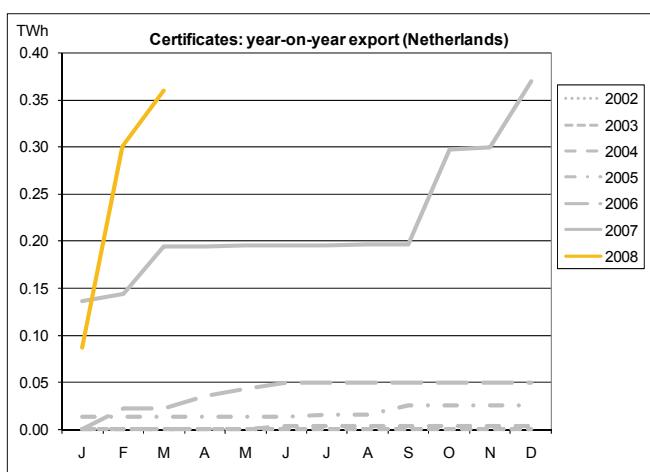
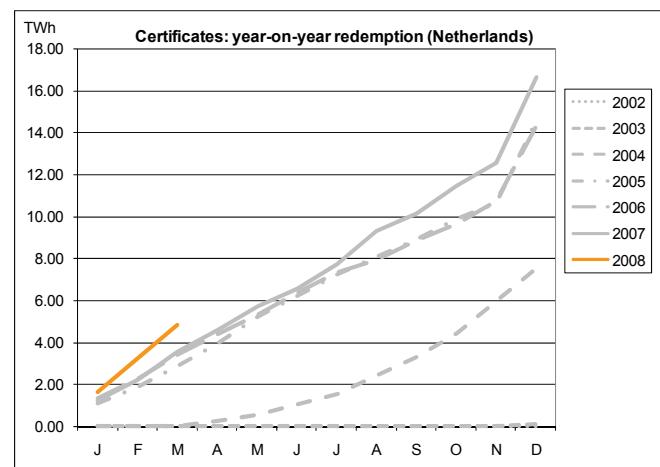
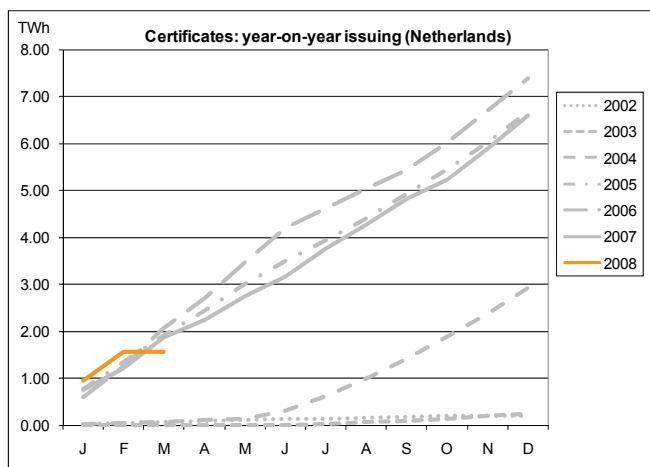
Netherlands

During 2007, redemption continued to grow at around the same rate as 2006, although issuing was a little lower.

However, during 2008 activity has been substantially greater in all areas.

Exports and imports are proportionately substantially larger than in previous years, although still fairly small in volume. Imported certificates originated mostly in the Nordic countries.

CertiQ has commenced the process of gaining AIB approval for implementation of the CHP GO and Disclosure schemes, which will inevitably lead to increased volumes later in the year.



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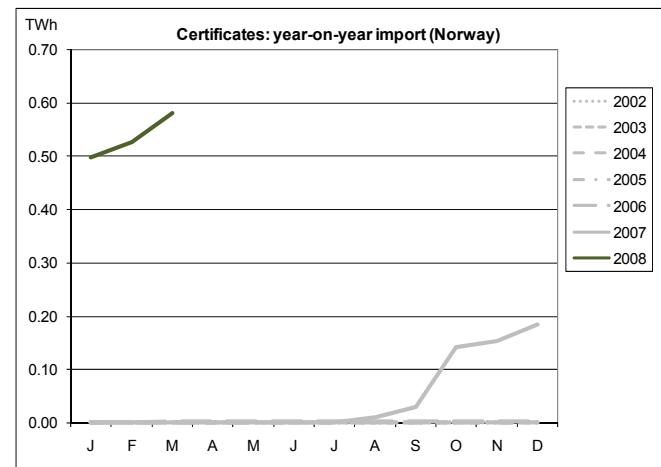
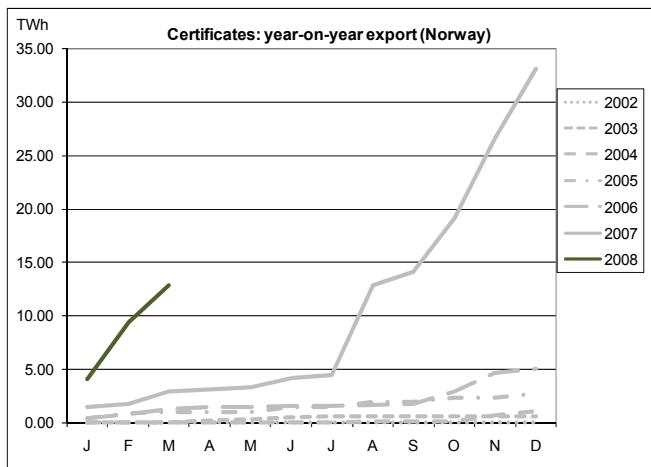
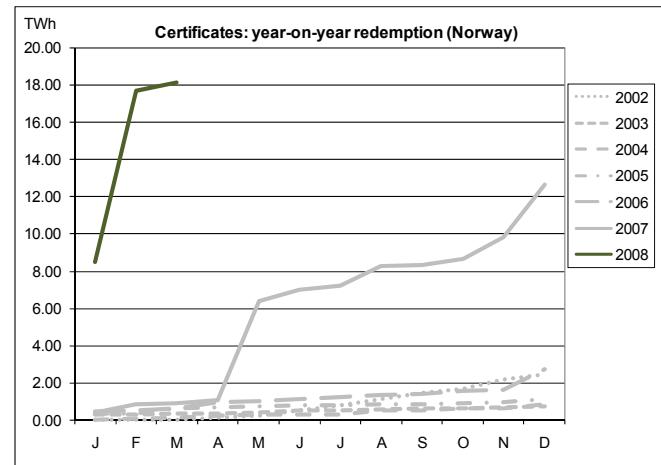


Norway

Norway continues to issue, import, export (to Germany, France, Austria, Sweden, Flanders and the Netherlands) and redeem certificates at a far higher rate than ever before.

One reason for the substantial increase in issuing is the registration of all large hydro early in 2007.

A major factor in market behaviour has been last year's changes to legislation. These require evidence of the consumption of renewable energy to be provided by means of the redemption of guarantees of origin. The deadline for redemptions for 2007 is mid-February 2008, when redemption volumes rose substantially. At this point, the residual mix was calculated .



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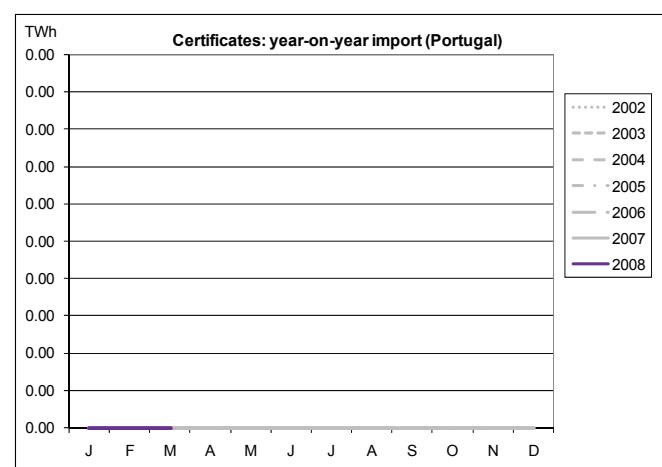
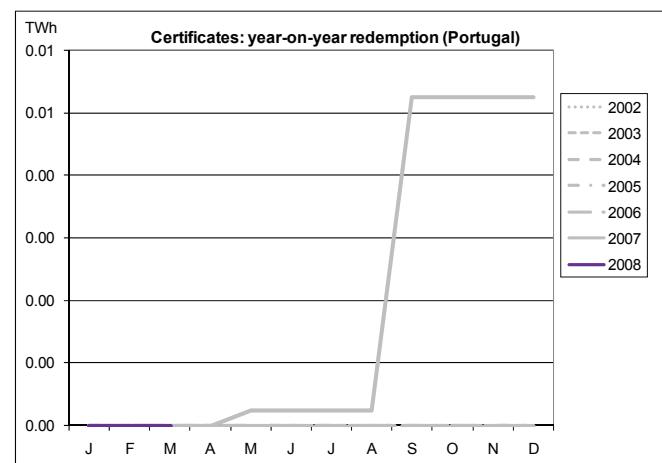
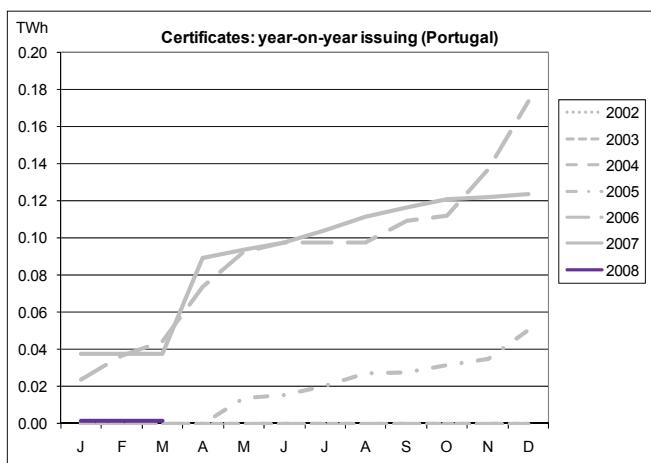
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Portugal

Portugal has issued a small number of certificates this year, but apart from that has been inactive.

There has been no international trade.



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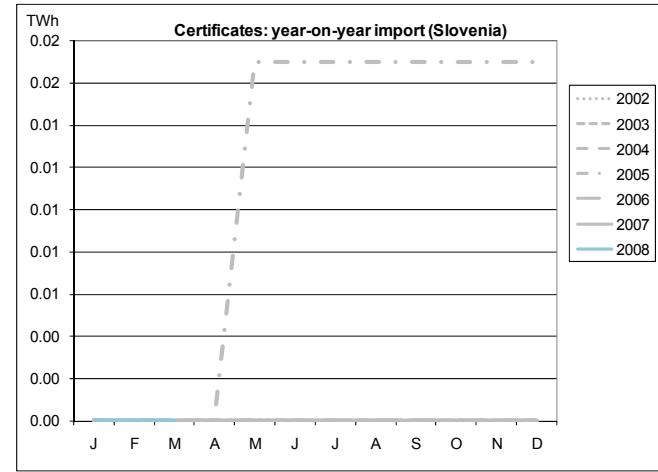
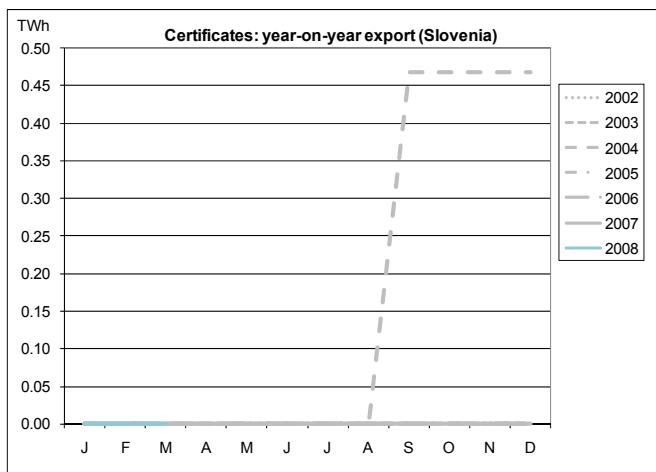
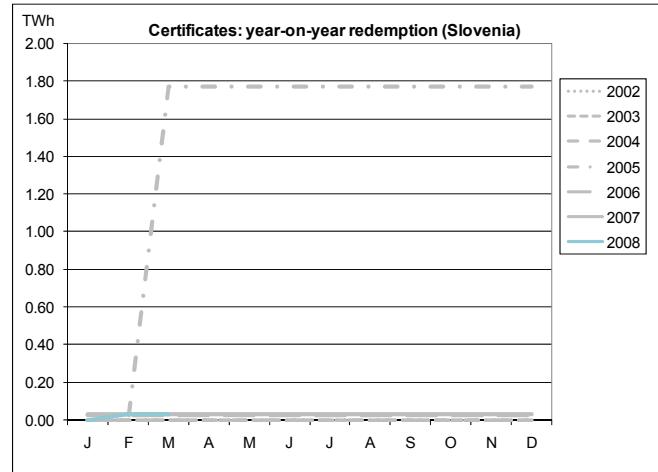
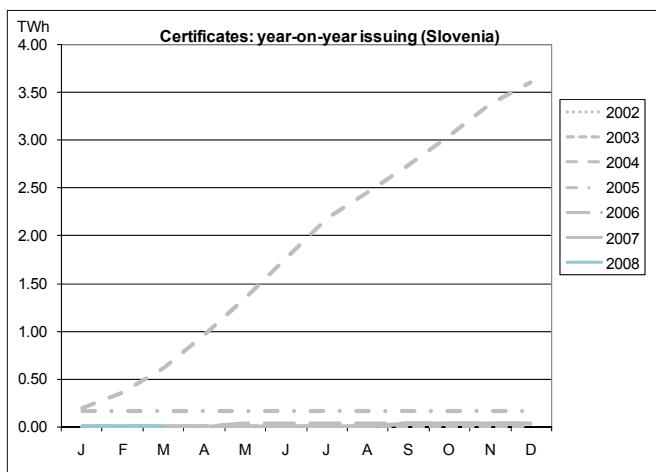
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Slovenia

Slovenia has redeemed a small number of certificates this year, but has otherwise been inactive for the past year or so.

It is understood that Slovenia intends to implement guarantee of origin schemes in compliance with the EECS model.



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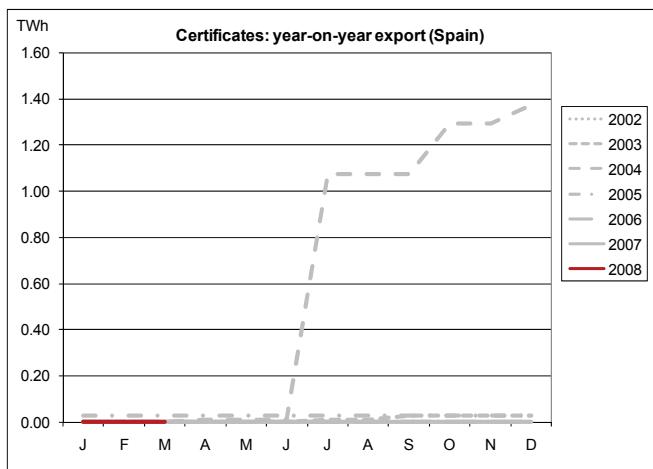
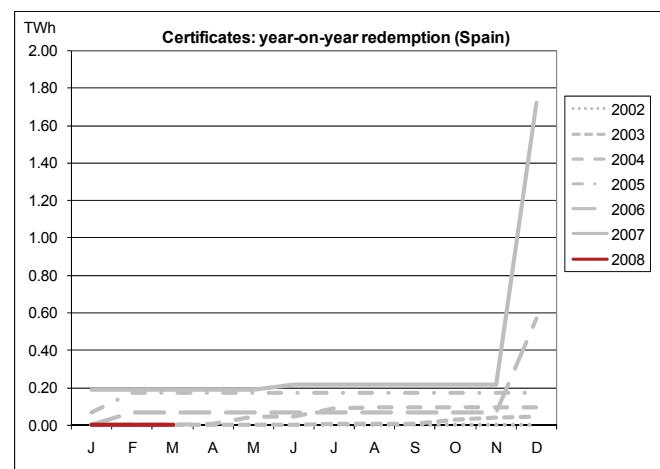
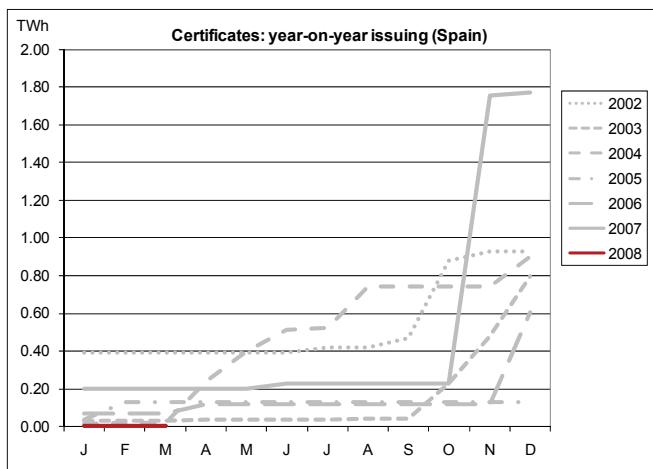
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Spain

Issuing and redemption continued in a limited manner during 2007 until the last quarter, when a large number of RECS certificates were issued and redeemed. However, none were transferred internationally, in line with the requirement of the General Meeting that this should not take place until such time as the Spanish domain protocol was brought into line with the requirements of the Principles and Rules of Operation of EECS.

All activity has now ceased, as RED Electrica — a long time member of AIB — withdrew from AIB at the end of 2007 due to the appointment of the Spanish Regulator (CNE) as issuer of renewable electricity and high-efficiency cogeneration guarantees of origin. It is hoped that CNE will eventually join AIB as a member.

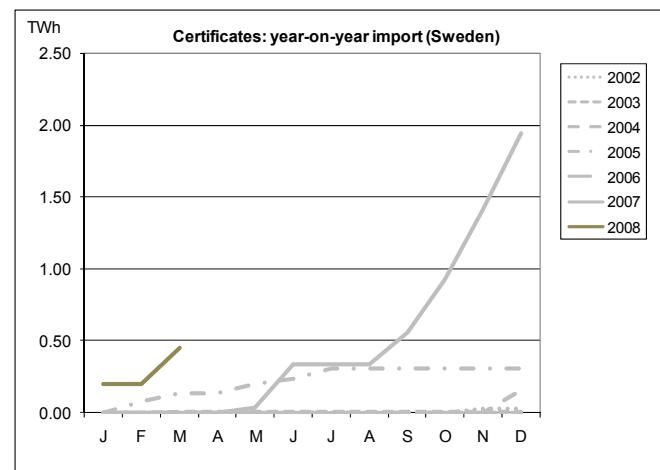
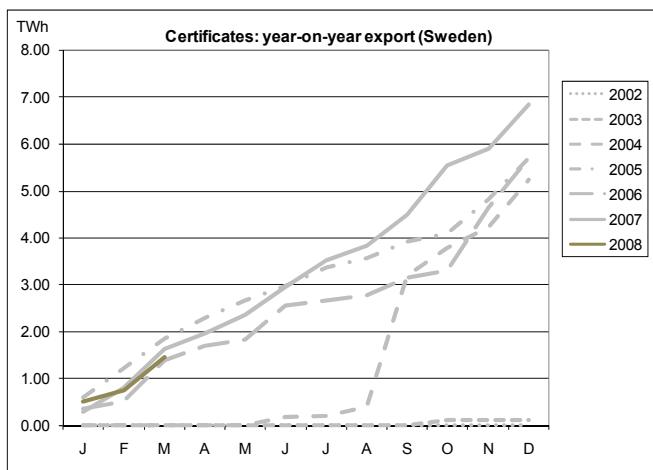
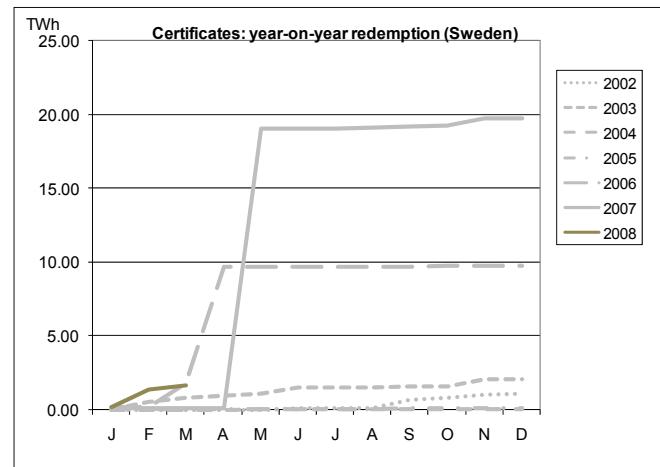
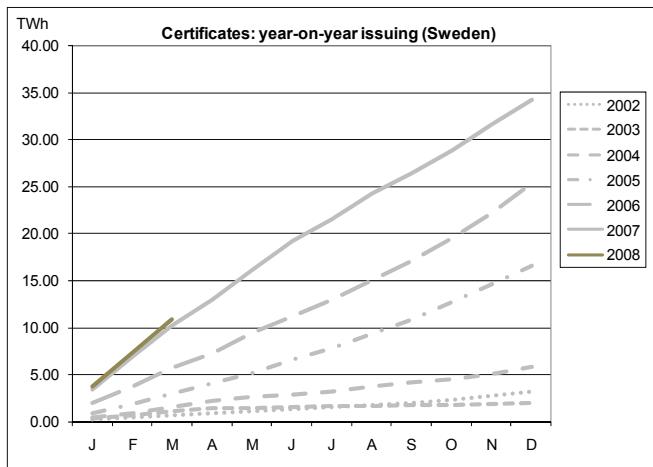




Sweden

Sweden continues to issue and redeem more certificates than ever before, importing considerably more than in previous years.

A major factor in this market behaviour has been last year's update to the recommendations of the association of electricity producers, in the absence of guidance on these matters from the regulator. This clarifies the treatment of energy source disclosure, recommending guarantees of origin be redeemed as evidence of the consumption of renewable electricity. Given that it will naturally take time for these provisions to be implemented, the major impact will probably be seen during 2008. The deadline for redemptions for 2007 is sometime in spring 2008, when redemption volumes are expected to rise substantially.



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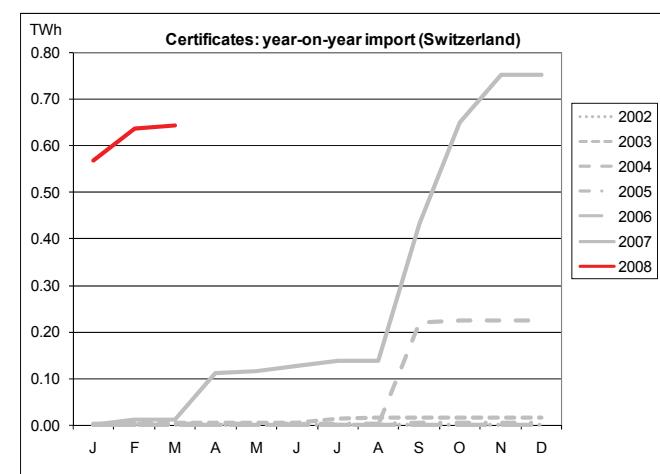
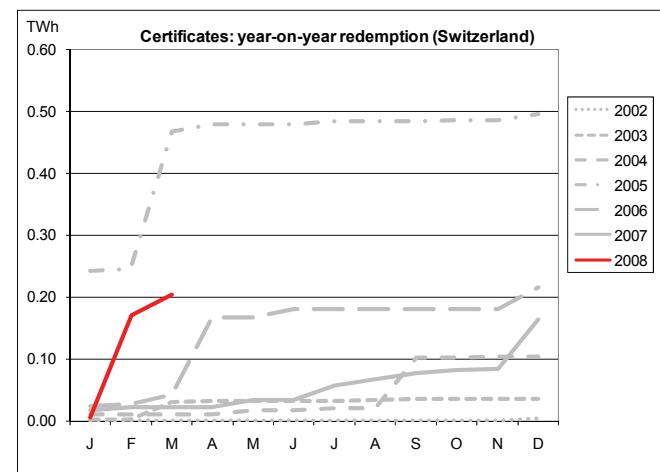
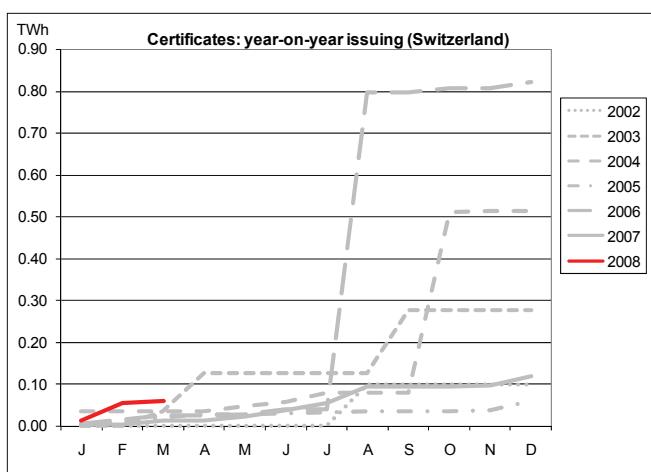


Switzerland

Swiss RECS certificate activity has recently increased substantially, in particular international trade—which may be in anticipation of the arrival of Swiss renewable electricity guarantees of origin later in the year,

As Switzerland is not a Member State of the European Union, EU Regulations and Directives do not apply to it. However, as Switzerland's main business and political partners are the EU Member States, the Swiss government has sought to make Swiss law compatible with EU law in respect of renewable electricity guarantees of origin. Consequently, swissgrid has been mandated Issuing Body for guarantees of origin for renewable electricity. The Swiss government has also “cloned” the Austrian RES system (with the approval of the Austrian Government); and licensed it to swissgrid to adapt to Swiss needs.

In March 2007, the Swiss and Italian Governments signed an international agreement concerning mutual recognition of renewable electricity guarantees of origin for electricity. Furthermore, it is understood that a second round of bilateral agreements between the EU and Switzerland will address the opening of the Swiss electricity market towards the European electricity market..



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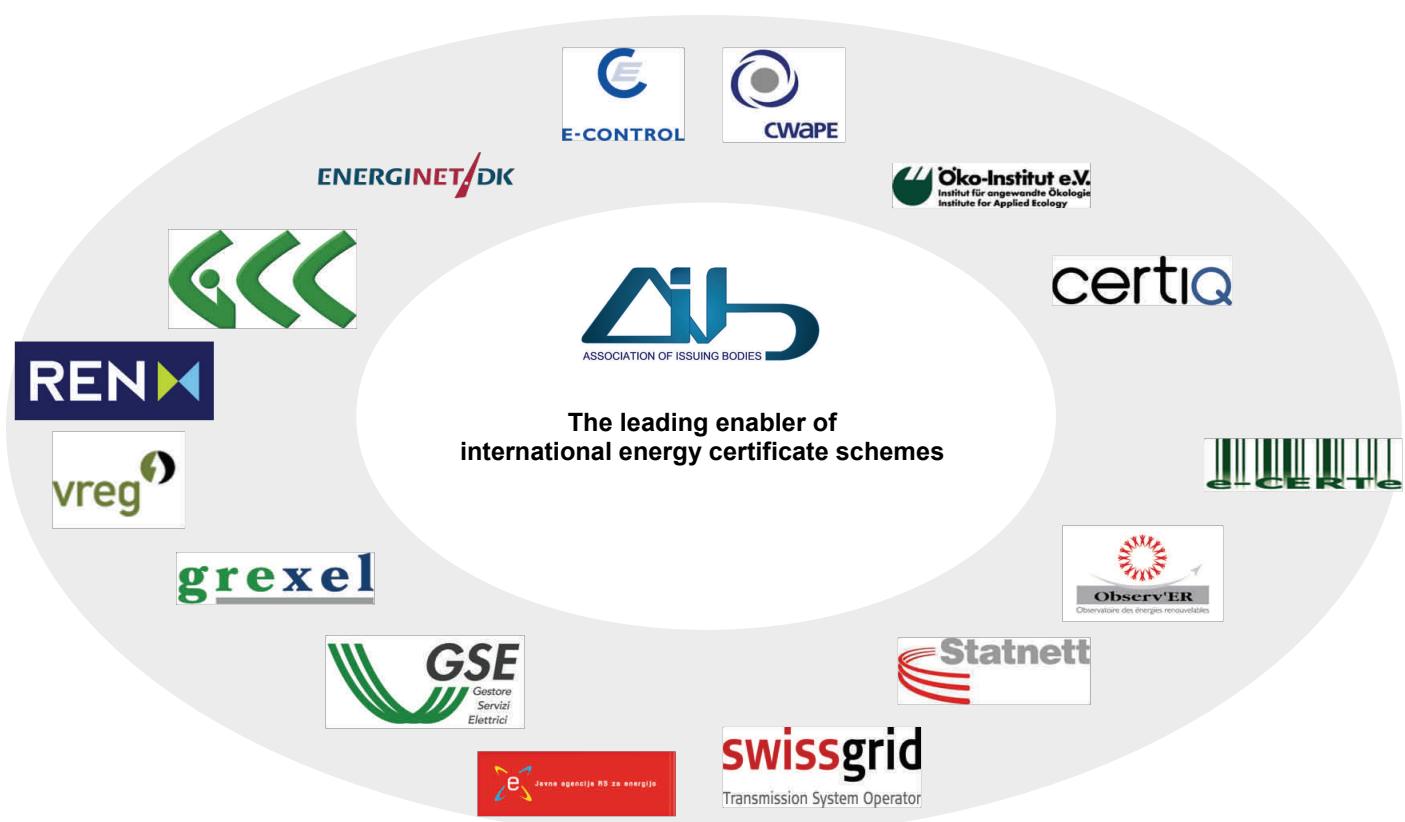
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