



# Disclosure and guarantees of origin: Dutch point of view

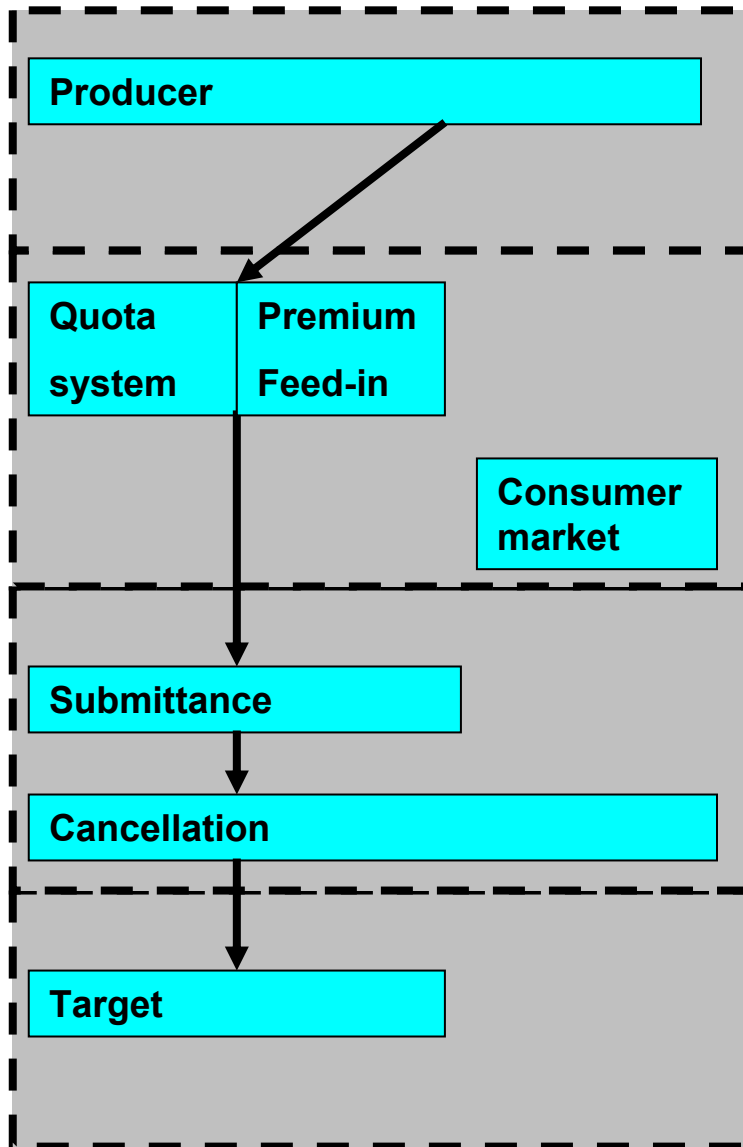
**Ron van Erck**

Ministry of Economic Affairs  
Energy & Sustainability  
The Hague, The Netherlands  
E-mail: [r.vanerck@minez.nl](mailto:r.vanerck@minez.nl)

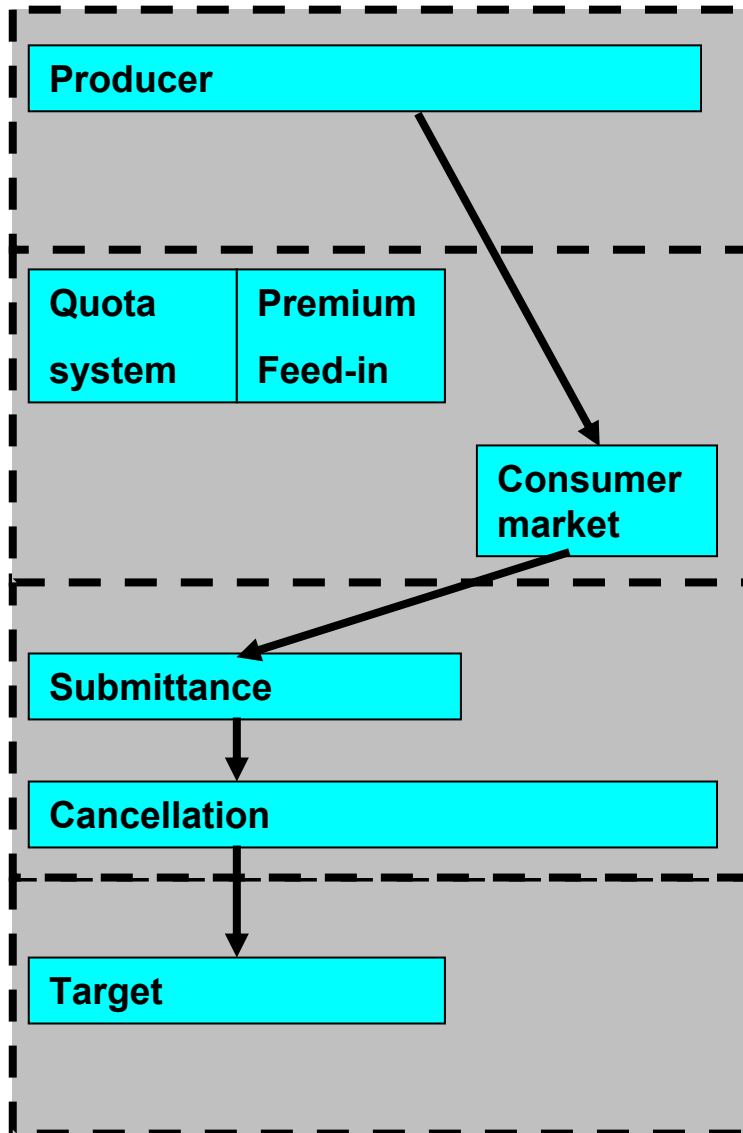
# Dutch consumer market can be driver to develop renewables

- 2 million green electricity customers in Netherlands (voluntary market)
- ~ 50% of certificates are imported
- Suppliers like GreenChoice exist because of consumer market and represent icon for environmentally aware consumers.
- Eneco (utility) invests only in renewables and gas-fired plants: image is strong driver.
- National green voluntary market can, in addition to support scheme, co-finance renewables

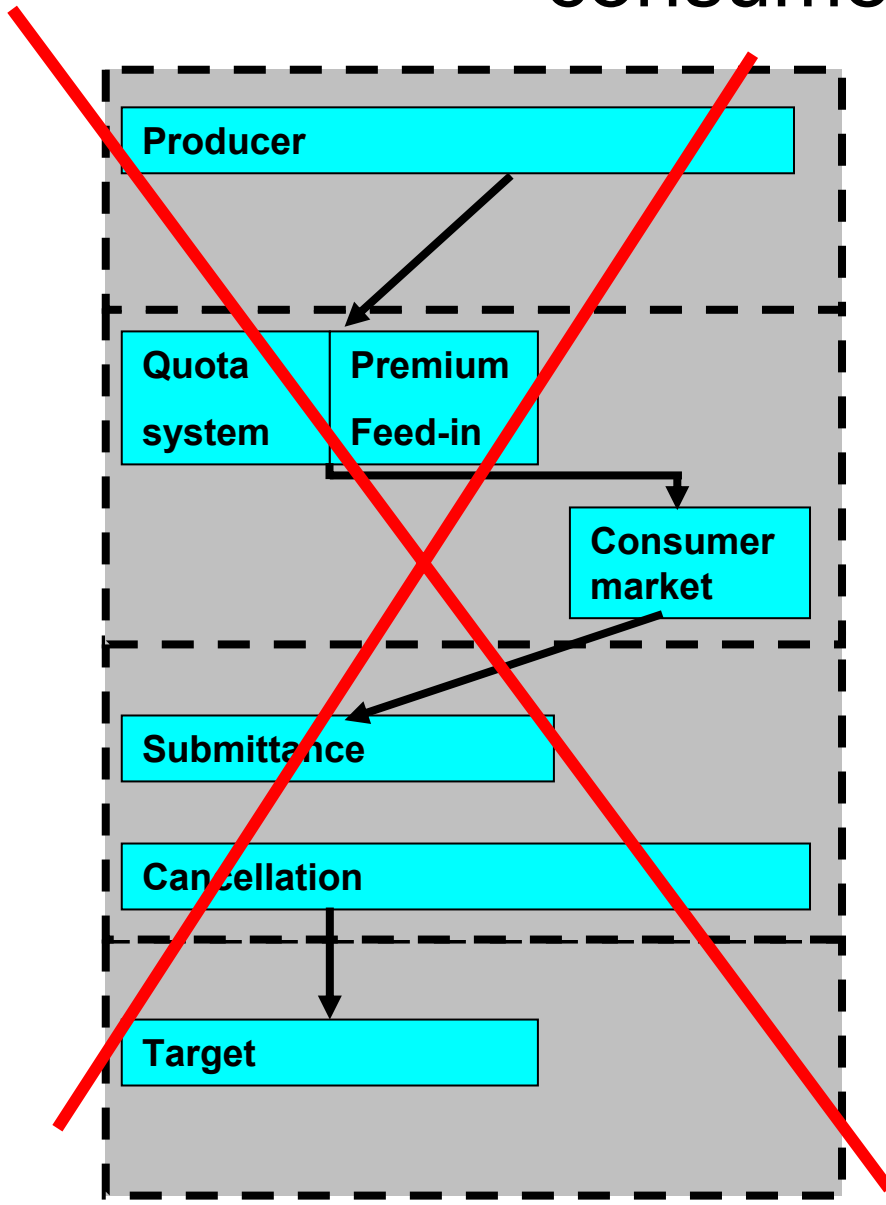
# Proposal forces producer to choose between support or consumer market (1)



# Proposal forces producer to choose between support or consumer market (2)



A combination of both is not allowed: end of consumer market



End of consumer market takes away an incentive for developing RE

**Conclusion: Ending voluntary  
market: incentive to develop  
renewables gets lost**

# We would like:

- To limit use of “free” GO’s for purposes of disclosure
- to save voluntary green market
- use GO’s for disclosure and not create patchwork of national certificates

# Current problems

- Interference by double use of GO's
  - Target
  - Disclosure
- Supported installations cannot be used for disclosure purposes



# Contemplations

- Limit use of GO's for disclosure purposes only
- Reconsider link with physical electricity
- 2001 Directive...?