

World Energy Outlook 2015

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Climate pledges for COP21 – the energy context



- Energy production and use accounts for at least two-thirds of global greenhouse gas emissions
- But what do the INDCs say about energy?
 - > All cover energy-related emissions, but the role of the energy sector vis-à-vis non-energy emissions is not always clear
 - > Around half include explicit energy-focused targets, but the nature of these targets can vary significantly
 - > Around 40% refer to greater renewables deployment and 30% to improved energy efficiency
- Perhaps the most important thing...

...the global coverage of climate pledges is impressive

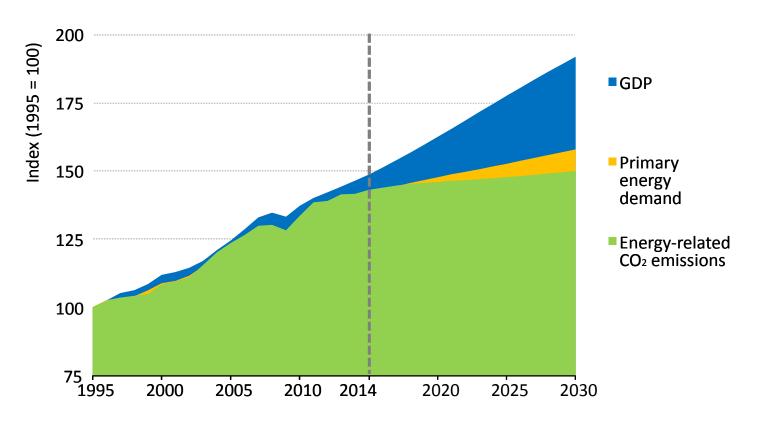




Pledges from countries that account for 95% of global energy-related GHG emissions; their full implementation would be consistent with a temperature rise of 2.7 °C

Energy sector starts to go its own way

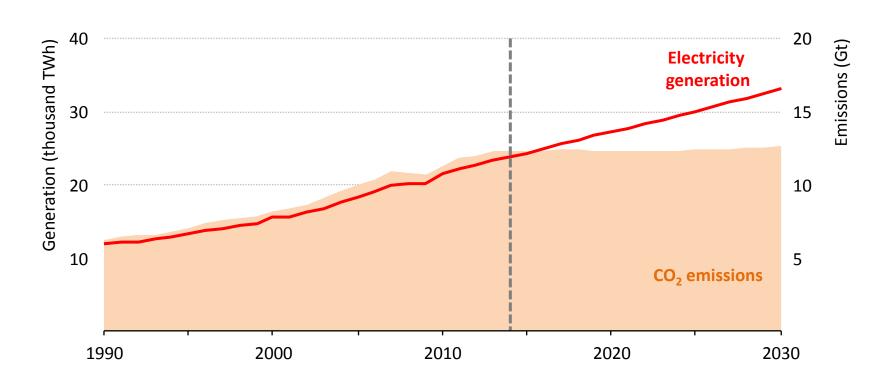
Growth in the global economy, primary energy demand and related CO₂ emissions



Growth in energy demand and emissions has tracked economic growth closely but decouples over time, with emissions growth slowing to a crawl by 2030

Largest source of emissions makes the cleanest break with the past

World electricity generation and related CO₂ emissions

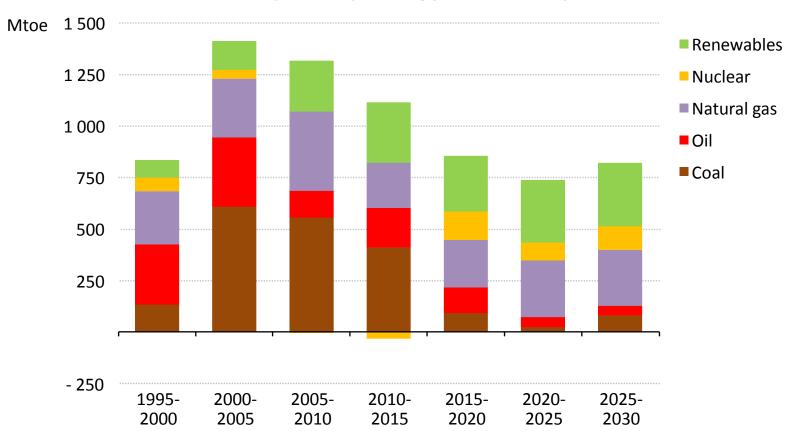


Electricity demand grows by about 40% to 2030, but increasing share of low-carbon generation means that power sector emissions remain flat

The shift to lower carbon energy is clear



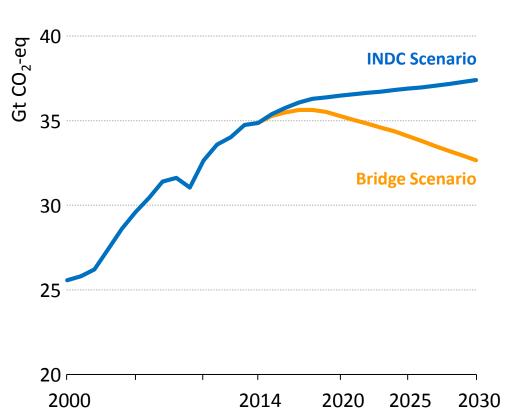
Growth in primary energy demand by fuel



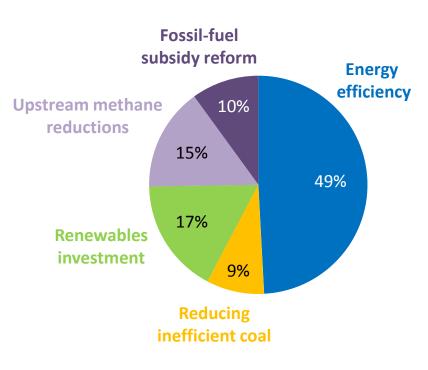
One quarter of the world's total energy supply is low-carbon in 2030; natural gas is the only fossil-fuel that increases its share of the global energy mix

Peak in emissions:IEA strategy to raise climate ambition





Savings by measure, 2030



Five measures – shown in a "Bridge Scenario" – achieve a peak in emissions around 2020, using only proven technologies & without harming economic growth

Conclusions



- New climate pledges are the right basis upon which to raise ambition
- If pledges are implemented, the energy sector, and the power sector in particular, will decarbonize faster than ever before
- A near term peak in emission is achievable in the energy sector with current technologies and at no net cost
- The energy sector needs a clear signal from COP, or risk stranding wrong investment for decades ahead



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IEA Ministers issue statement on energy and climate change



- IEA's 29 member countries issue a collective statement stating that they:
 - Welcome INDCs and endorse IEA view that INDCs should be a first step upon which to build ever-increasing ambition.
 - Welcome the IEA's five key opportunities to reduce energy sector emissions:
 - 1. Increasing energy efficiency in industry, buildings and transport
 - 2. Phasing out the use of least efficient coal fired power plants
 - 3. Increasing investment in renewables, including hydro
 - 4. Gradual phasing out of inefficient fossil fuel subsidies
 - 5. Reducing methane emissions from oil and gas production
 - Call on the IEA to: advise how to enhance the environmental sustainability of the energy sector (including the reduction of local pollution), expand tracking of the energy sector transformation and increase international collaboration.