

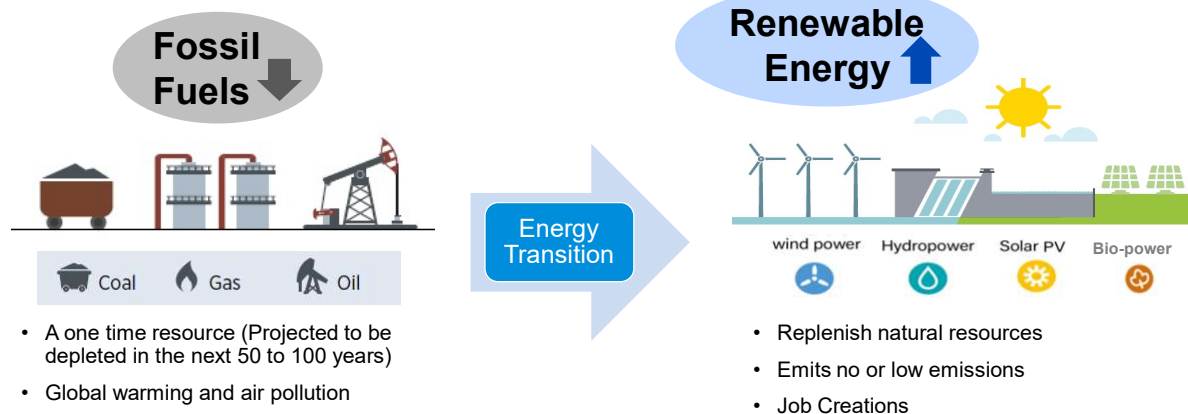
Topic 4: Energy - Transition to Renewable Energy

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What is Renewable Energy?

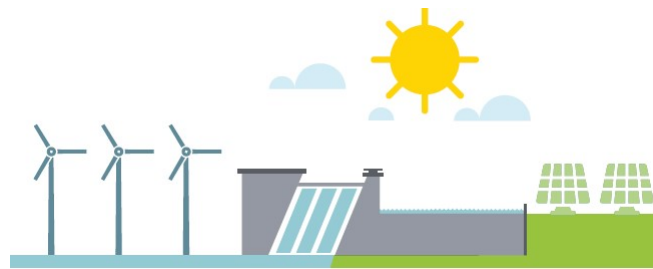


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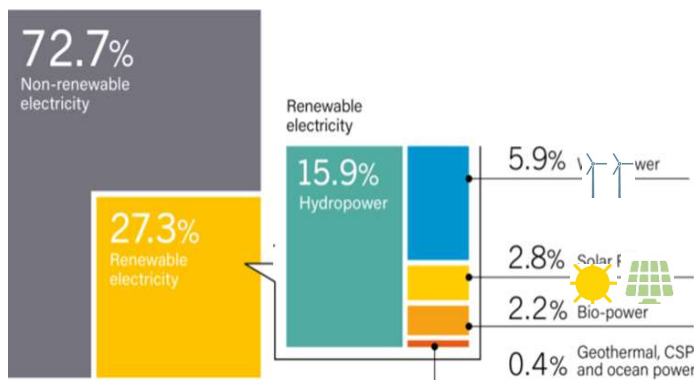
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1. Global Renewable Energy Status and Trends

- Current share of renewable energy
- Increasing new annual power generation from renewable energy
- Historical trends of renewable energy shares in the power sector
 - Declining costs of renewable power
- Increasing Renewable Energy Employment

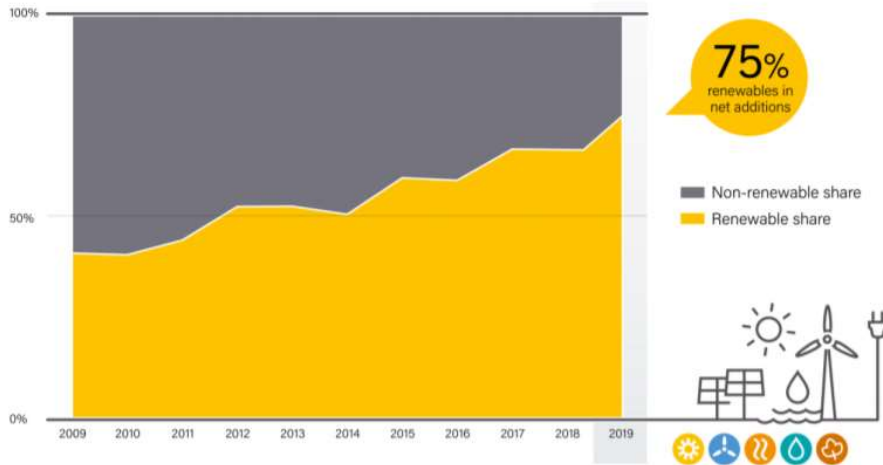


Renewable Energy Share of Global Electricity Production in 2019



POWER	GW	2019
Renewable power capacity (including hydropower)		2,588
Renewable power capacity (not including hydropower)		1,437
Hydropower capacity ²		1,150
Wind power capacity		651
Solar PV capacity ³		627
Bio-power capacity		139
Geothermal power capacity		13.9
Concentrating solar thermal power (CSP) capacity		6.2
Ocean power capacity		0.5

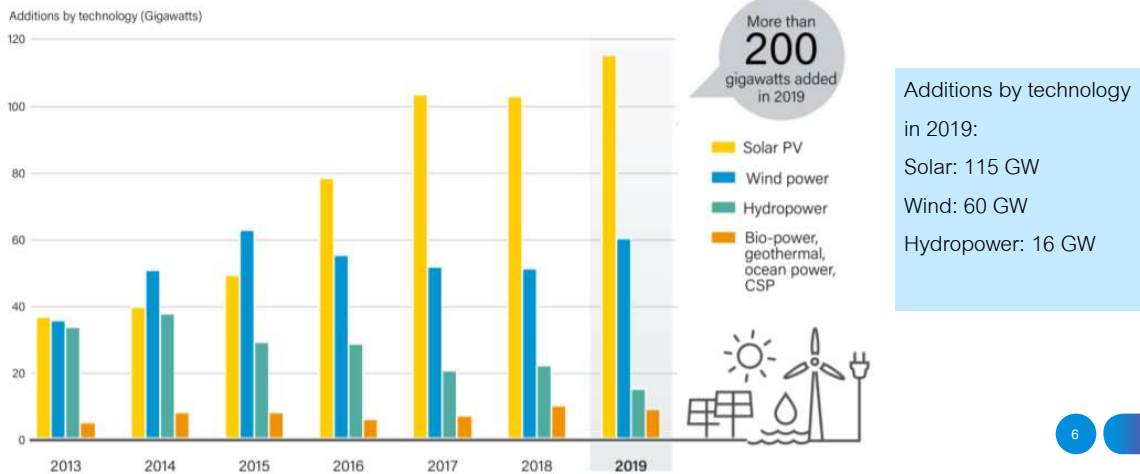
Increase of Renewables in Net Additions of Power Generation Capacity, 2009-2019



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Annual Additions of Renewable Power by Technology, 2009-2019

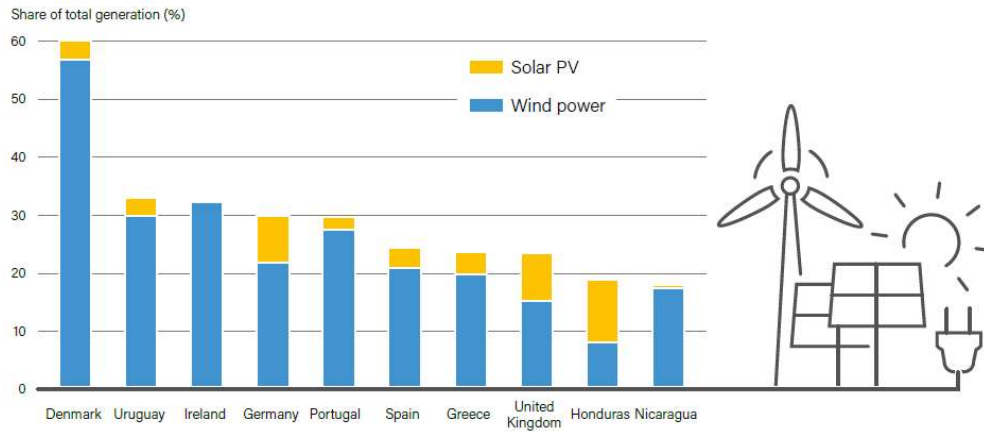


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Countries with High Share of Renewables

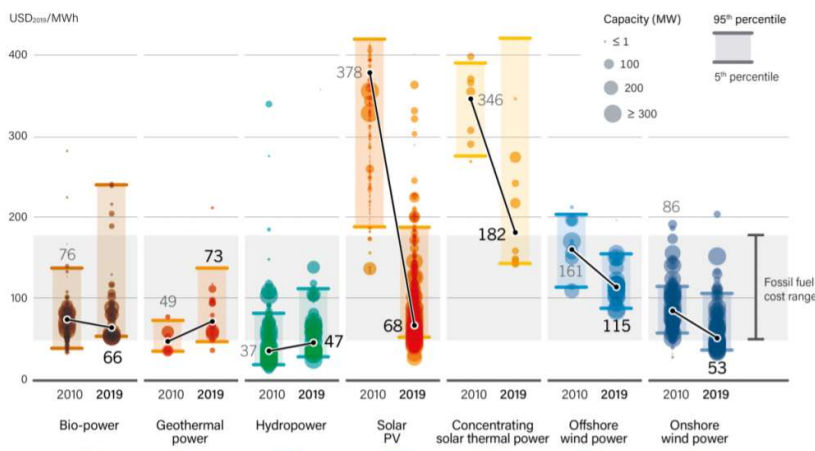
Share of Electricity Generation from Variable Renewable Energy, Top Countries, 2019



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Declining Costs of Renewable Power Generation



Note: Global levelised cost of electricity (LCOE) from newly commissioned, utility-scale renewable power generation technologies, 2010 and 2019

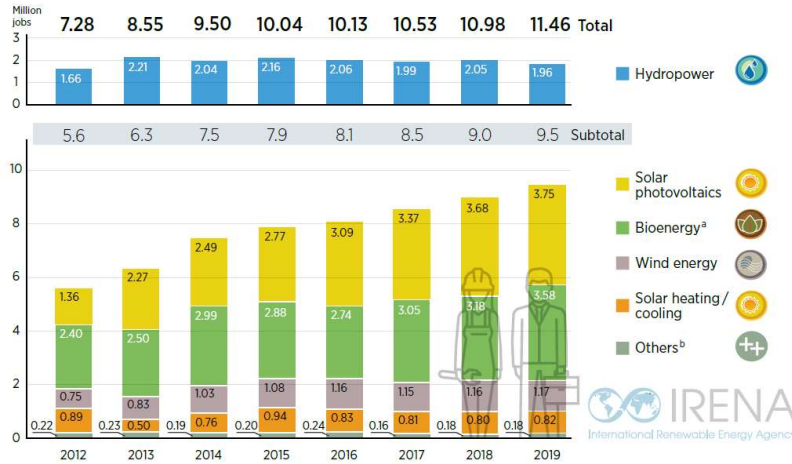
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Source: IRENA.

Increasing Renewable Energy Employment

GLOBAL RENEWABLE ENERGY EMPLOYMENT BY TECHNOLOGY, 2012-2019



KEY NUMBERS

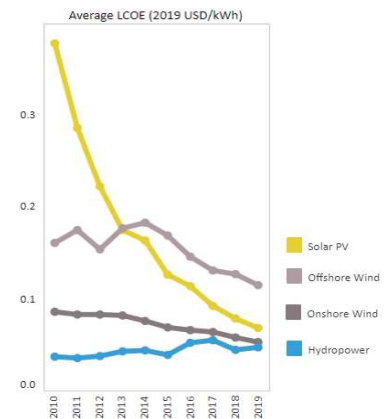
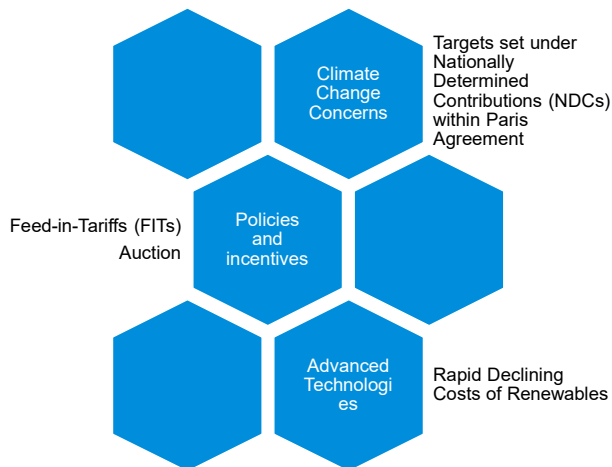
11.5 million renewable energy jobs in 2019

38% in China

3.8 million in the solar PV industry



2. Drivers of Renewable Energy Growth



Renewable Energy Supporting Policies and Incentives

ASEAN countries	RE Targets	FIT	Self-consumption scheme	Competitive Bidding (or Auction)	Tax incentive	Soft loan	Capital subsidy	Tradable RECs
BRUNEI	✓							
INDONESIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
MALAYSIA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
MYANMAR	✓				✓			
PHILIPPINES	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓
SINGAPORE	✓			✓	✓			
LM Countries	CAMBODIA			✓	✓			
	LAO PDR	✓			✓			
	THAILAND	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	VIETNAM	✓	✓	✓		✓		

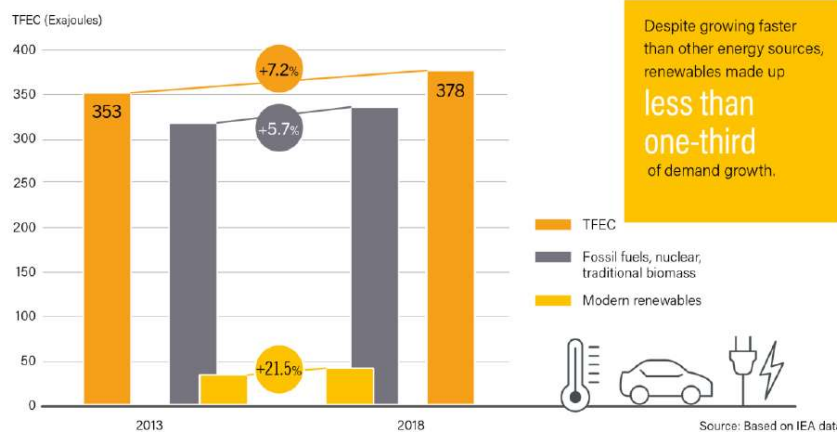
What is FITs

- FITs offers a guaranteed purchasing price for a specified period of time.
- For example, a fixed tariff is set for the purchase rate of electricity at a certain constant level which is independent from the fluctuation of market price for electricity throughout the support duration (e.g. 20 years)

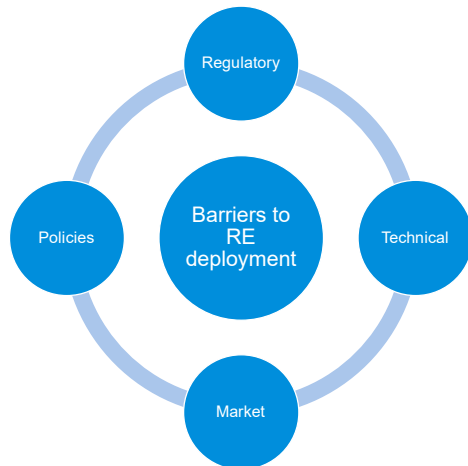
Note: ✓ means the RE targets or incentives or auction has been implemented in the country.
 Source: USAID Clean Power Asia data collection

Renewable Energy are Growing Fast.. But not Fast Enough

Estimated Global Growth in Renewable Energy Compared to Total Final Energy Consumption, 2013-2018



Barriers for RE Development



Regulatory barriers

- Insufficient legal framework for independent power producers
- Restrictions on siting, construction, transmission access
- Grid interconnection requirement

Policy barriers

- Subsidies to fossil fuels
- Unfavorable pricing rule

Market barriers

- Lack of experience, technical and commercial skills
- Perceived technology performance uncertainties and risk

Technical barriers

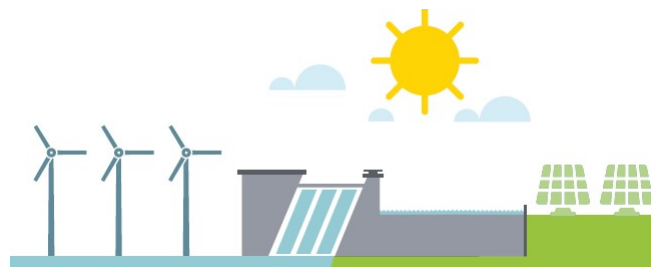
- Integrating high penetration of VRE to the grid

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4. Global Renewable Energy Outlook

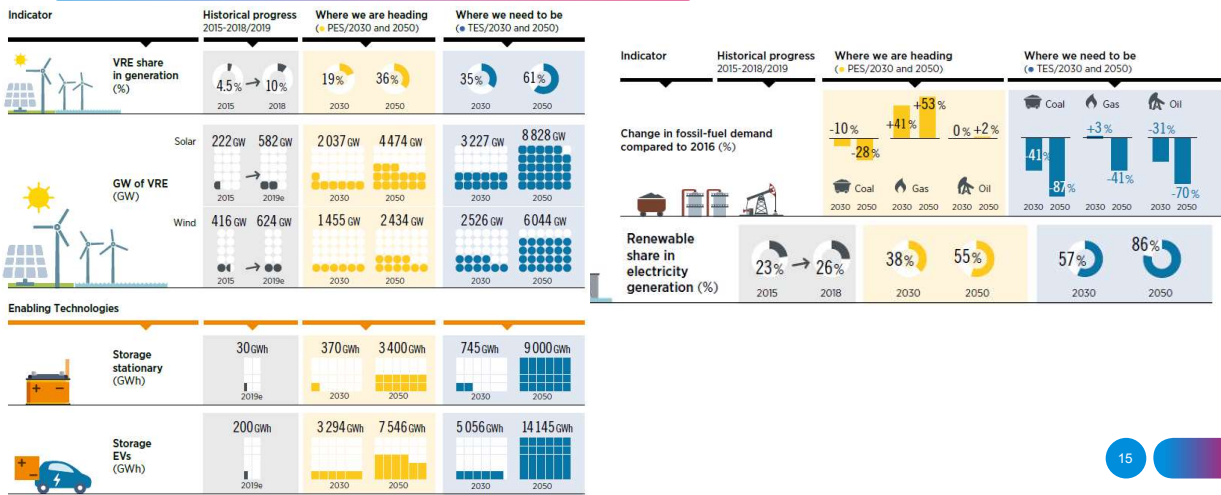
- Key indicators to global renewables outlook in 2050
- Outlook for Transforming Energy Scenario to achieve climate goals
- Global Socio-economic Impact of Transformation Energy Scenario



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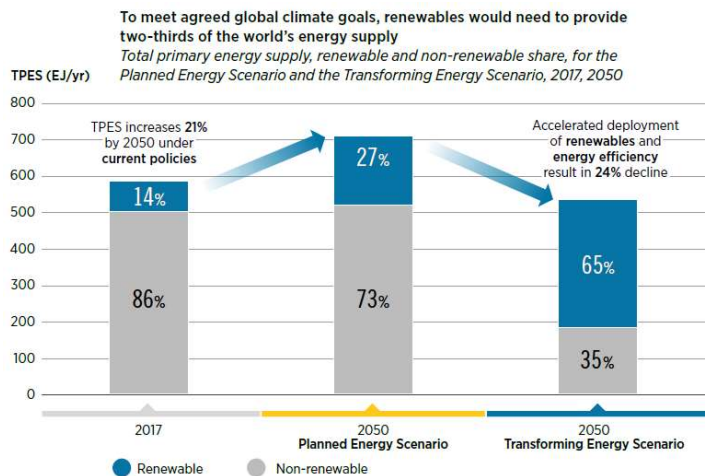
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Global Renewables Outlook: Key indicators



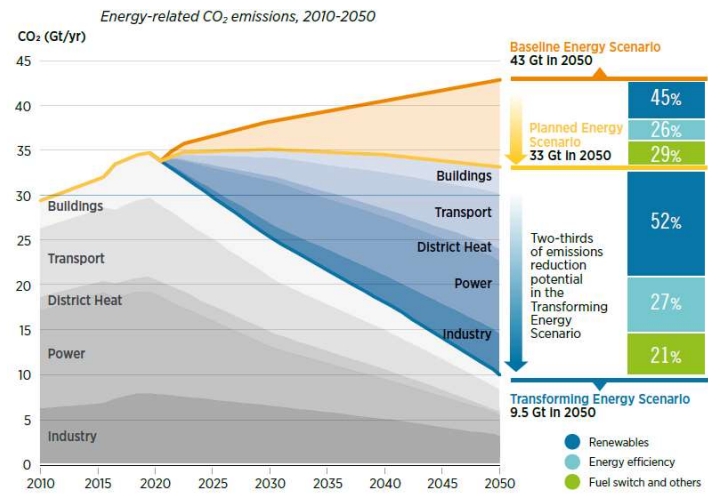
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Global Renewable Outlook: Transforming Energy Scenario to achieve climate goals



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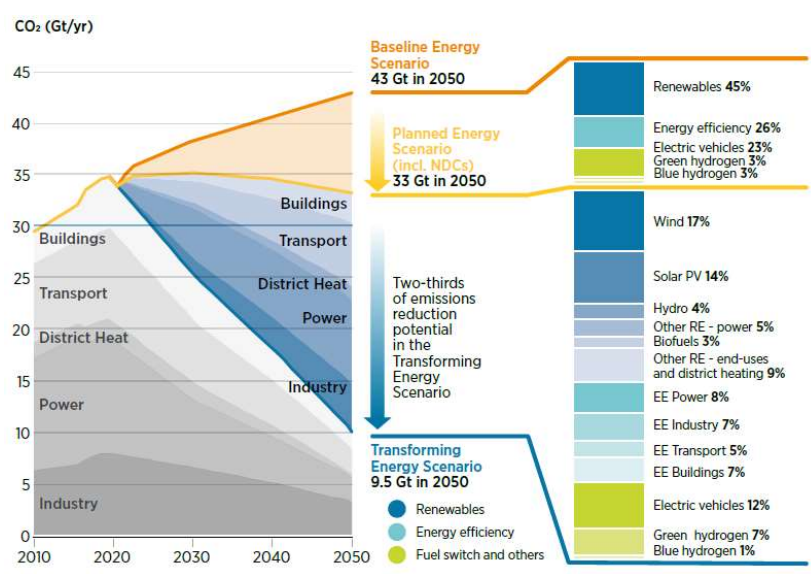
Emission Reductions under Transforming Energy Scenario



The "Planned Energy Scenario (PES)" is the primary reference case for this study, providing a perspective on energy system developments based on governments' current energy plans and other planned targets and policies (as of 2019), including Nationally Determined Contributions under the Paris Agreement unless the country has more recent climate and energy targets or plans.

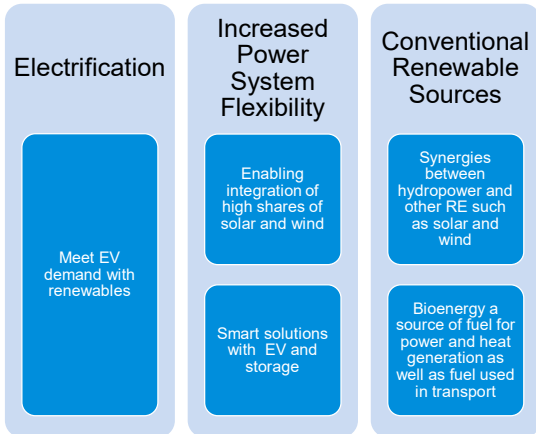
The "Transforming Energy Scenario (TES)" describes an ambitious, yet realistic, energy transformation pathway based largely on renewable energy sources and steadily improved energy efficiency (though not limited exclusively to these technologies). This would set the energy system on the path needed to keep the rise in global temperatures to well below 2 degree Celsius (°C) and towards 1.5°C during this century.

Emission Reductions under Transforming Energy Scenario, by technologies



Energy Transformation Development:

TRANSFORMATIVE ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS



The energy sector has started changing in promising ways, with widespread adoption of renewables and related technologies boding well for a sustainable future. Renewable technologies are dominating the global market for new power generation capacity. Solar PV and wind are increasingly the cheapest source of electricity in many markets, and most renewable power sources will be fully cost competitive within the next decade (IRENA, 2019c).

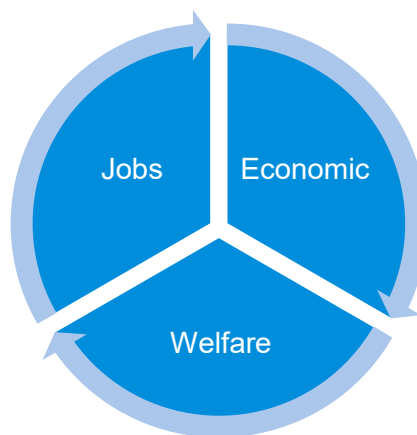
Renewable power generation is now growing faster than overall power demand. A new milestone was reached in 2019 when renewable electricity generation increased by more than the increase in electricity demand, while fossil-fuel electricity generation decreased. This is the first time in decades that fossil-fuel-based generation declined when overall electricity generation increased (Käberger, 2019).

The electrification of transport is showing early signs of disruptive acceleration. Progress in accelerating the transition is seen in the rapid cost reductions of solar PV and wind (including offshore), how key enabling technologies such as batteries and electric vehicles are experiencing rapid reductions in costs, and how green hydrogen is viewed as a potential game changer.

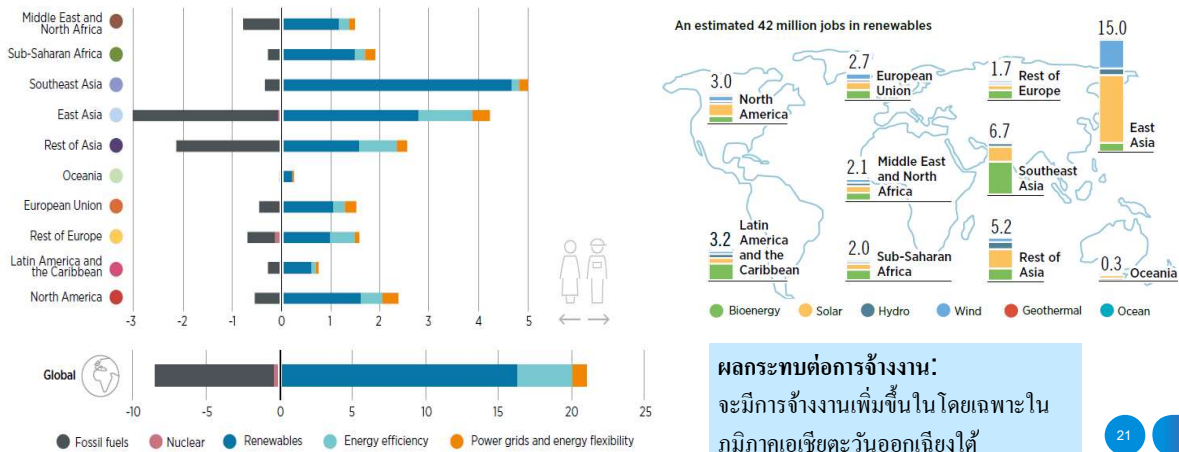
Yet renewables are growing too slowly in major energy-consuming sectors like buildings and industry. Deployment in these areas remains well below the levels needed to create a climate-safe energy system. Slowing progress in energy efficiency and biofuels development must be turned around quickly.

The share of modern renewable energy in global final energy consumption has increased only slightly since 2010, staying around a threshold of about 10%. In simple terms, while renewables are increasing, so is energy demand. In the Planned Energy Scenario, the share of modern renewable energy in final energy supply would increase to 17% by 2030 and 25% by 2050. In the Transforming Energy Scenario, this share would increase to 28% by 2030 and 66% by 2050. Therefore, the share would need to increase six-fold compared to today, and two-and-a-half times compared to the Planned Energy Scenario.

Global Socio-Economic Impact

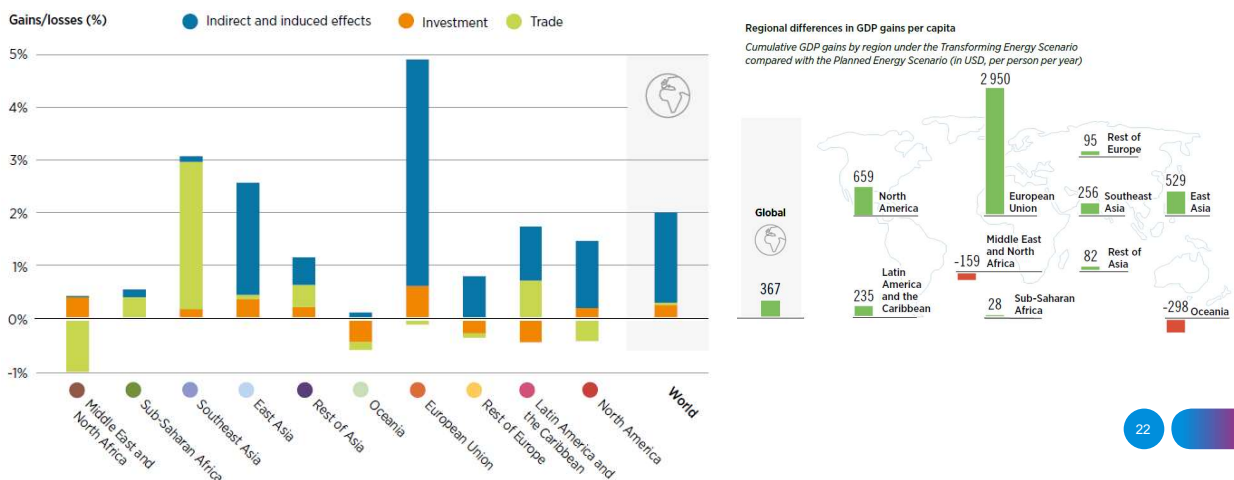


Increase Jobs from Renewables



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GDP Gains under Transforming Energy Scenario

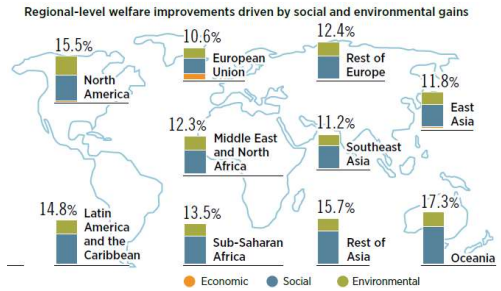
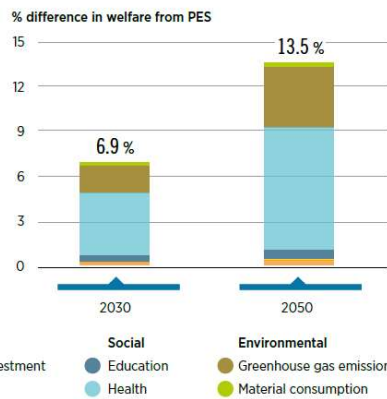


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Welfare Gains from improved economic, social and environmental

Welfare gains: Influenced by health benefits and emission reduction

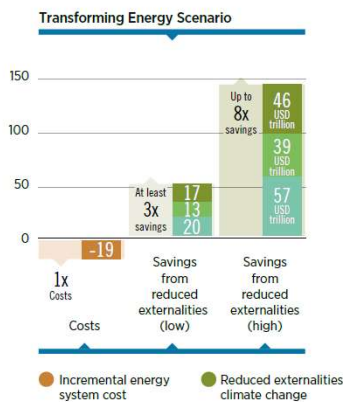
Global welfare indicator under the Transforming Energy Scenario in 2030 and 2050



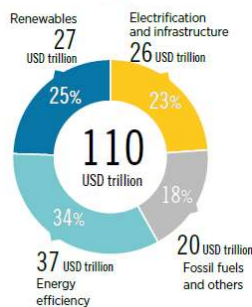
Benefits, costs and investments

The energy transition: Benefits compared to costs

Cumulative system costs and savings from reduced externalities for Transforming Energy Scenario for the period to 2050, and DDP for the period to 2060 (USD trillion)



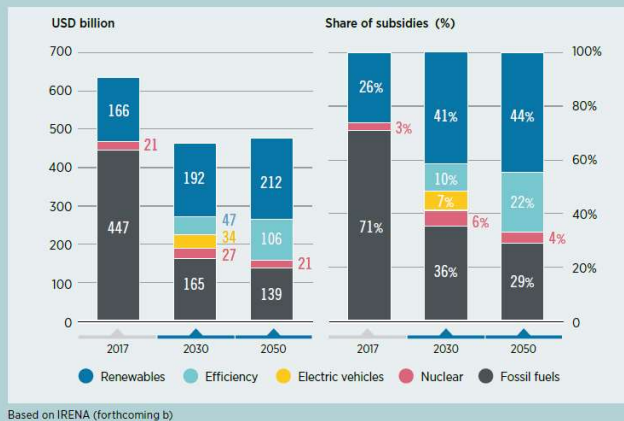
Transforming Energy Scenario (TES) cumulative investments between 2016 and 2050 (USD trillion)



A climate-safe future calls for the scale-up, and redirection, of investment to clean energy technologies. Fossil-fuel investments need to be shifted to renewables and energy efficiency instead, while subsidies to fossil fuels must be phased out. Overall, total investment in the energy system in the Transforming Energy Scenario would need to reach USD 110 trillion by 2050, or around 2% of average annual GDP over the period (see Figure S.8). Of that total, over 80% needs to be invested in renewables, energy efficiency, end-use electrification, and power grids and flexibility. If viewed in annual terms, USD 3.2 trillion needs to be invested in the global energy system every year to 2050. That compares to recent historical investment (2014-2018) in the energy system of around USD 1.8 trillion per year (IEA, 2019c), and USD 2.9 trillion per year in the Planned Energy Scenario.

Energy Subsidies in the Energy Transformation

Figure 1.3 Energy subsidies: Overall reduction in the Transforming Energy Scenario
Total direct energy sector subsidies by fuel/source, 2017, 2030 and 2050 in the Transforming Energy Scenario



Subsidies:

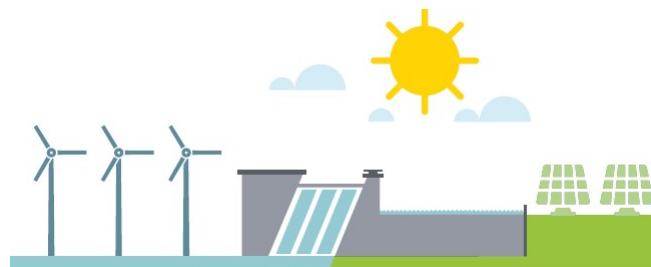
- Reduce subsidies on fossil fuels
- Increase subsidies on RE

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5. Renewable Energy Development in Thailand

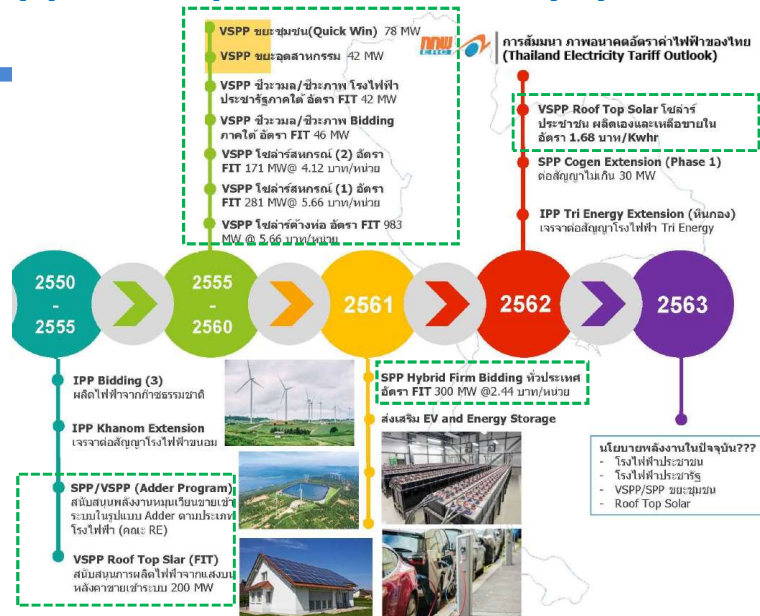
- Policy support to investment in renewable energy
 - Current and plan for renewable energy
- Key supporting policies driven RE development
 - Average electricity rate
 - Cost of renewable energy in Thailand



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Policy supports to private electricity producers



Alternative Energy Development Plan (AEDP2018)

แผนพัฒนาพลังงานทดแทนและพลังงานทางเลือก พ.ศ. 2561-2580 (AEDP2018)

แผนพัฒนาพลังงานทดแทน พลังงานทดแทนเพื่อผลิตไฟฟ้า	แผน AEDP2015		แผน AEDP2018		ผลต่าง 2018-2015
	เป้าหมาย*	ดำเนินการแล้ว	แผนพัฒนาตาม PDP2018	รวมเป้าหมาย	
พลังงานแสงอาทิตย์ (MW)	6,000	2,849	12,725	15,574	9,574
ชีวมวล (MW)	5,570	2,290	3,496	5,786	216
พลังงานลม (MW)	3,002	1,504	1,485	2,989	- 13
ก๊าซชีวภาพ (น้ำเสีย/ของเสีย) (MW)	600	382	546	928	328
ขยะชุมชน (MW)	500	500	400	900	400
ขยะอุตสาหกรรม (MW)	50	31	44	75	25
พลังงานขนาดเล็ก (MW)	376	188	-	188	- 188
พลังงานขนาดใหญ่ (กฟผ.) (MW)	2,906	2,918	-	2,918	12
ก๊าซชีวภาพ (พืชพลังงาน) (MW)	680	-	-	-	- 680
รวม (MW)	19,684	10,662	18,696	29,358	9,674
ผลิตไฟฟ้าจากพลังงานทดแทน : AE (%)	20%	10%	20%	33%	13%

หมายเหตุ
 (1) *เฉพาะเป้าหมายแผน AEDP2015 เป็นตัวเลขกำลังผลิตติดตั้ง (Installation capacity) นอกเหนือจากนั้นเป็นกำลังผลิตตามสัญญา (Contract capacity)
 (2) ไม่รวมการพัฒนาพลังงานทดแทนเพื่อผลิตไฟฟ้า เช่น พลังน้ำ ความร้อนใต้พิภพ ไฮโดรเจน เซลล์เชื้อเพลิง และอื่น ๆ ที่ไม่มีในแผนพัฒนา PDP2018
 เป็นเป้าหมายเพิ่มเติมภายใต้แผน AEDP2018 ด้วย

Source: FTI (2020) เอกสารพิมพ์แผน AEDP ภาคประชาชน

Solar and wind subsidies in Thailand

Timeline: Solar Subsidies in Thailand

2550	ภาครัฐเปิดให้ภาคเอกชนลงทุนในโครงการ VSPF โดยสนับสนุนในรูปแบบ Adder ที่ 8.00 บาท/ kWh	ADDER 8.00 บาท
2553	ปรับ Adder ลงอยู่ที่ 6.50 บาท / kWh	ADDER 6.50 บาท
2556	เปลี่ยนจาก Adder เป็น Feed-in Tariff หรือ FIT สำหรับ Solar Rooftop โดย: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - บ้านอยู่อาศัย < 10 kWp 6.96 บาท/หน่วย - ธุรกิจ > 10-250 kWp 6.55 บาท/หน่วย - ธุรกิจ > 250-1,000 kWp 6.16 บาท/หน่วย 	ADDER FIT 6.16-6.96 บาท
2557	ปรับ FIT Solar แบบติดตั้งบนพื้นดิน และ Solar Rooftop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - บนพื้นดิน < 10 kW 5.66 บาท/หน่วย - บ้านอยู่อาศัย < 10 kW 6.85 บาท/หน่วย โดยใน พื้นที่ชายแดนภาคใต้ได้ FIT พิเศษเพิ่ม 0.50 บาท/หน่วย	ADDER FIT 5.66-6.85 บาท
2560	ภาครัฐได้ปรับ FIT ลงอยู่ที่ 4.12 บาท / kWh	ADDER FIT 4.12 บาท
2562	ทกท. เปิดรับสมัครประชาชนผู้สนใจเข้าร่วมโครงการโซลาร์ภาคประชาชน โดย: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - บ้านอยู่อาศัย < 10 kW 1.68 บาท/หน่วย ระยะเวลา 10 ปี	ADDER FIT 1.68 บาท

Timeline: Wind Subsidies in Thailand

2550	ภาครัฐเปิดให้ภาคเอกชนลงทุนในโครงการ VSPF โดยสนับสนุนในรูปแบบ Adder ที่ 2.50 บาท/kWh	ADDER 2.50 บาท
2553	ปรับ Adder เพิ่มขึ้นเป็น 3.5 บาท/kWh	ADDER 3.50 บาท
2557	เมื่อวันที่ 22 ตุลาคม 2557 ทพท. ได้อนุมัติหลักการในการปรับเปลี่ยนมาตรการส่งเสริมการผลิตไฟฟ้าจากพลังงานหมุนเวียนในระบบ Adder เป็นระบบ Feed-in Tariff (FIT) โดยกระทรวงพลังงานได้จัดทำอัตราซื้อขายไฟฟ้าในรูปแบบ FIT ในราคา 6.06 บาท/kWh	FIT 6.06 บาท

Auctions to procure electricity in Thailand

1st Auction

Target	FIT (Ceiling price)	
	Year 1-8	Year 9-20
Biogas (liquid/solid waste) 10 MW	14.42	12.91
Biomass 36 MW	15.27	14.36

Biomass (liquid/solid waste) 5.95 MW awarded

Rank	MW	% discount	Year 1 - 8	Year 9 - 20
1	3.00	23.33	11.76	10.24
2	2.00	10.25	13.24	11.73
3	0.95	10.05	13.27	11.76

Biomass 36 MW awarded

Rank	MW	% discount	Year 1 - 8	Year 9 - 20
1	9.90	81.17	9.39	8.48
2	9.90	81.17	9.39	8.48
3	9.90	77.19	9.70	8.79
4	6.30	67.78	10.36	9.45

Awarded SPP Hybrid-Firm Projects

FX: 33 THB/USD

Ceiling price: 11.09 US Cents/kWh

Proposals received: 85, 1,644.25 MW

Technical qualified: 42, 755 MW, 8.58 US Cents/kWh

Awarded: 17, 300 MW, 7.39 US Cents/kWh

Avg. bid price

Rank	%	RE type	MW	Price (US Cents/kWh)
1	51.03	Biomass & Solar	13.31	8.30
2	43.65	Biomass	13.29	8.70
3	27.07	Biomass	21	9.81
4	15.40	Biomass	23.92	10.24
Total 71.02				

Rank	%	RE type	MW	Price (US Cents/kWh)
1	82	Solar	12	7.70

Rank	%	RE type	MW	Price (US Cents/kWh)
1	99.99	Biomass	27	5.61
2	99.99	Biomass	13.84	5.61
3	81.19	Biomass	16	6.64
4	79.56	Biomass	16	6.73
5	70	Biomass	11.29	7.24
Total 84.13				

Rank	%	RE type	MW	Price (US Cents/kWh)
1	43.12	Biogas & Solar	16	8.73

Rank	%	RE type	MW	Price (US Cents/kWh)
1	81.41	Biomass	21.50	6.64
2	81.41	Biomass	21.50	6.64
3	81.19	Biomass	21	6.64
4	80.85	Biomass	20	6.67
5	71.19	Biomass	13.85	7.18
Total 100.85				

- 14 projects : Biomass 258.69 MW
- 1 project : Biogas + Solar 16 MW
- 1 projects : Biomass + Solar 13.31 MW
- 1 project : Solar + ESS 12 MW

Remark:

- No awarded project in Bangkok-metro-, Samui and Phuket
- Price : FIT + FIT₁
- FIT₁ will be annually adjusted by core inflation

FIT for community-based power plant project:

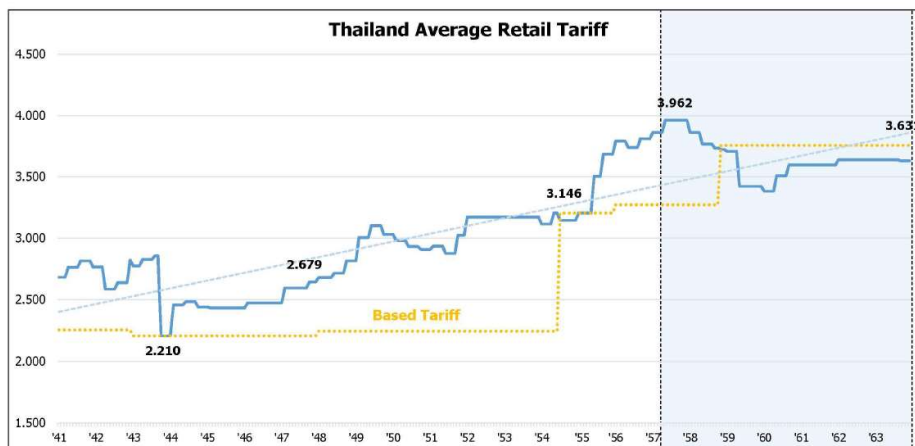
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กำลังผลิต (MW)	FIT (บาท/หน่วย)			ระยะเวลา สนับสนุน	FIT Premium (บาท/หน่วย) พื้นที่พิเศษ ⁽²⁾
	FIT _c	FIT _{v2562}	FIT ⁽¹⁾		
1) พลังงานแสงอาทิตย์					
กำลังผลิตติดตั้งทุกขนาด	2.90	-	2.90	20 ปี	0.50
2) ชีวมวล					
กำลังผลิตติดตั้ง ≤ 3 MW	2.61	2.2382	4.8482	20 ปี	0.50
กำลังผลิตติดตั้ง > 3 MW	2.39	1.8736	4.2636	20 ปี	0.50
3) ก๊าซชีวภาพ (น้ำเสีย/ของเสีย)					
กำลังผลิตติดตั้งทุกขนาด	3.76	-	3.76	20 ปี	0.50
4) ก๊าซชีวภาพ (พืชพลังงาน)					
กำลังผลิตติดตั้งทุกขนาด					
- กรณีพืชพลังงาน 100%	2.79	2.5825	5.3725	20 ปี	0.50
- กรณีผสมน้ำเสีย/ของเสีย ≤ 25%	2.79	1.9369	4.7269	20 ปี	0.50

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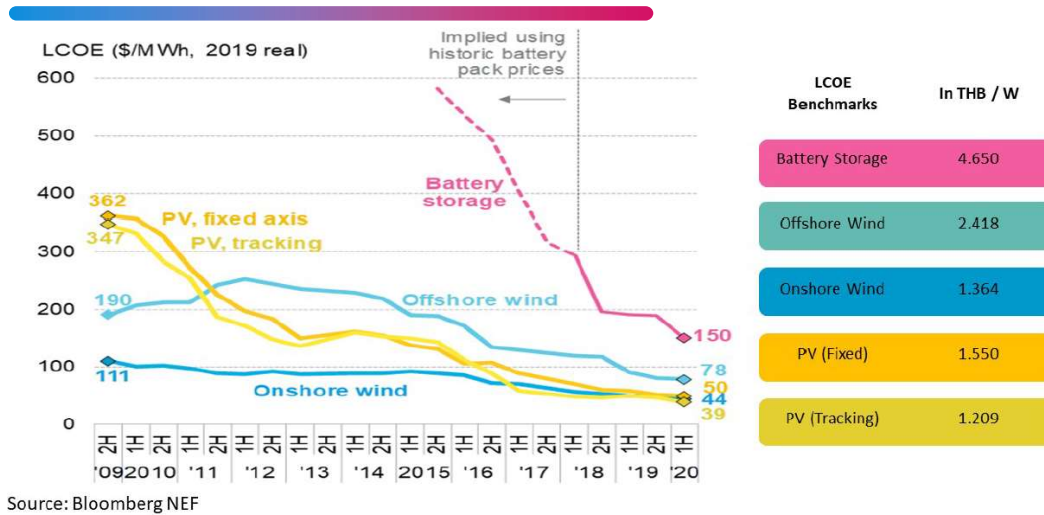
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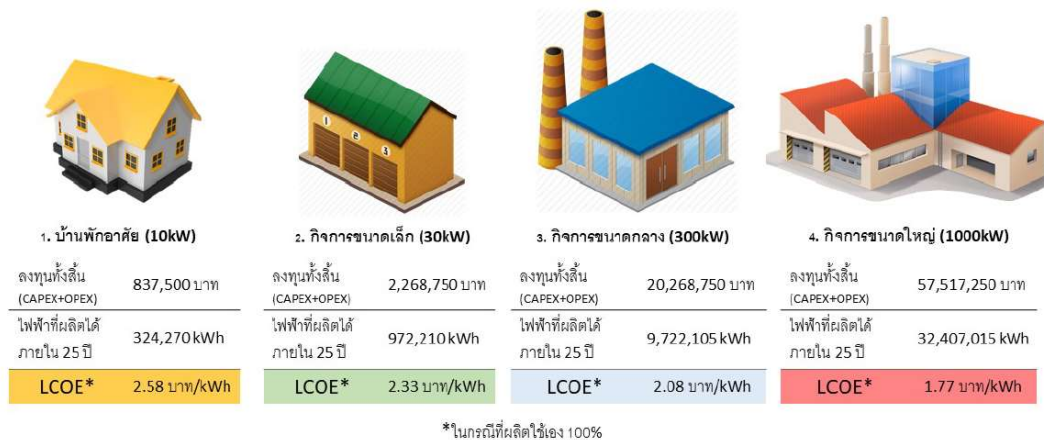
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Costs of renewable technologies (LCOE)



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Cost of solar rooftop investment for self-consumption in Thailand



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Link to useful resources

- [ตัวอย่างเครื่องมือสนับสนุนทางการเงินของกรมอนุรักษ์พลังงานและพลังงานทดแทน](#)
- [นโยบายและบทบาทภาครัฐในการสนับสนุนพลังงานทดแทน](#)
- [PDP 2018 Rev. 1](#)
- [เอกสารงานสัมมนา AEDP ภาคประชาชน](#)
- [IRENA's Global Renewables Outlook: Energy Transformation 2050](#)
- [Renewables Global Status Report \(REN 21\)](#)

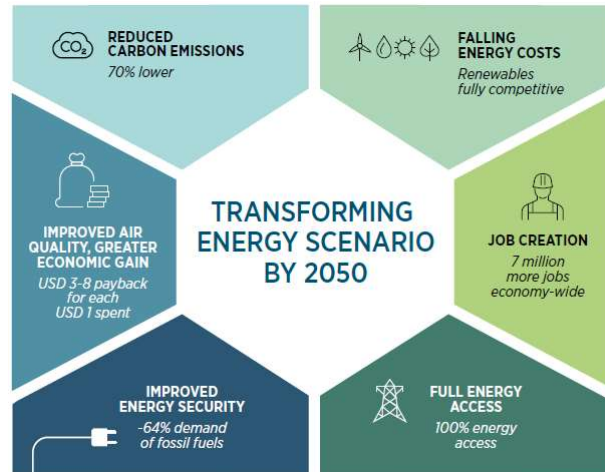
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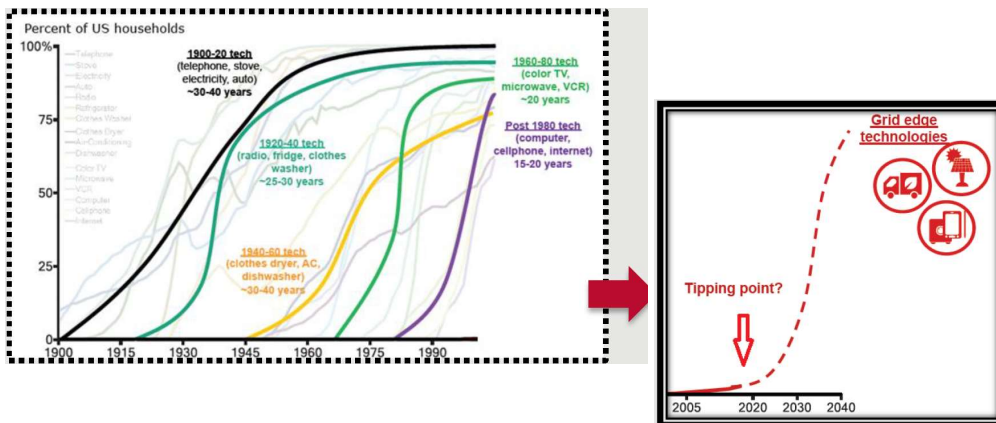
Toward Just Energy Transition:

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Key Drivers for Energy Transition

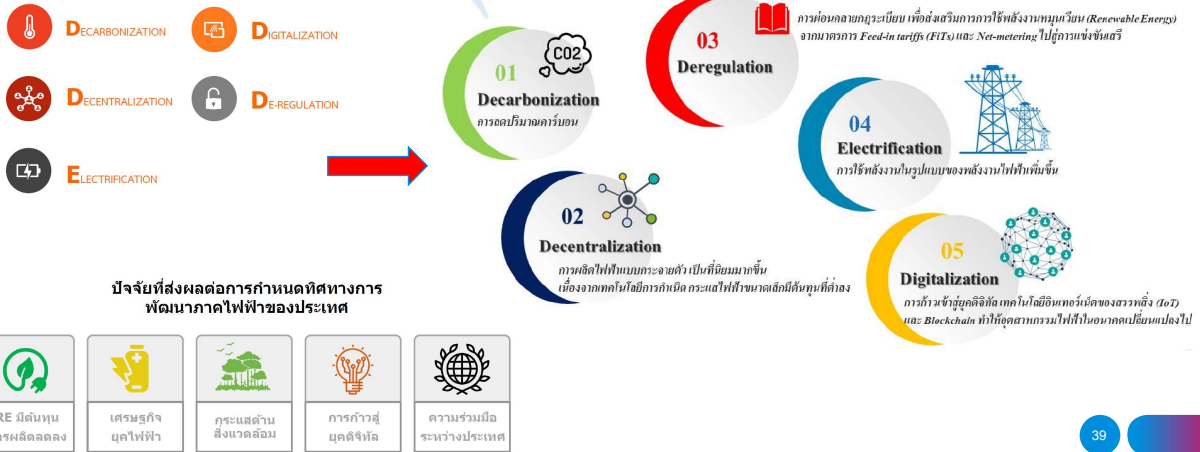


Timing for Electricity Sector Transformation

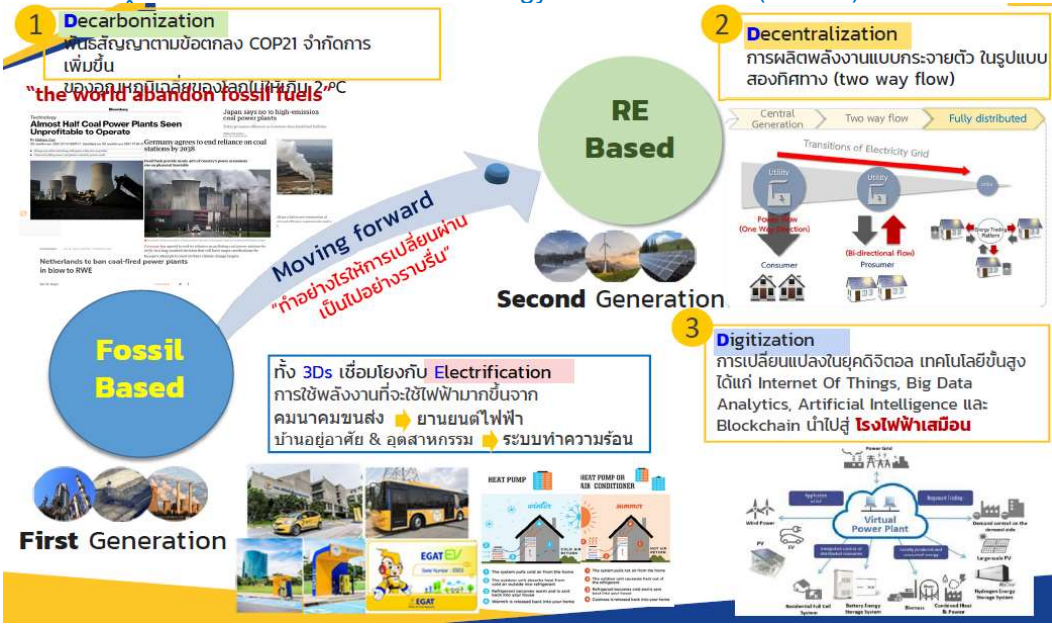


Source: World Economic Forum (2017)

Thailand's Energy Transformation (4D+IE)

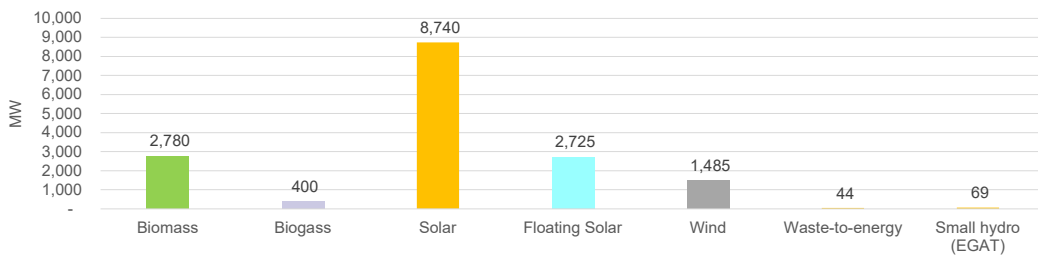


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Thailand's transition towards more renewables: New RE during 2018-2037 under PDP 2018 Rev.1

Renewable Energy Plan under PDP 2018 Rev.1 during 2018-2037



Unit: MW	Year 2037
Biomass	4,694
Biogass	1,565
Solar	12,029
Floating Solar	2,725
Wind	2,989
Waste-to-energy	828

MOE is planning for an integrated plan (expected in 2022) for increasing renewables in the power sector, including coal phase-out plan.

PDP 2018 Rev.1 (Effective in October 2020)

แผนช่วงแรกดำเนินการ
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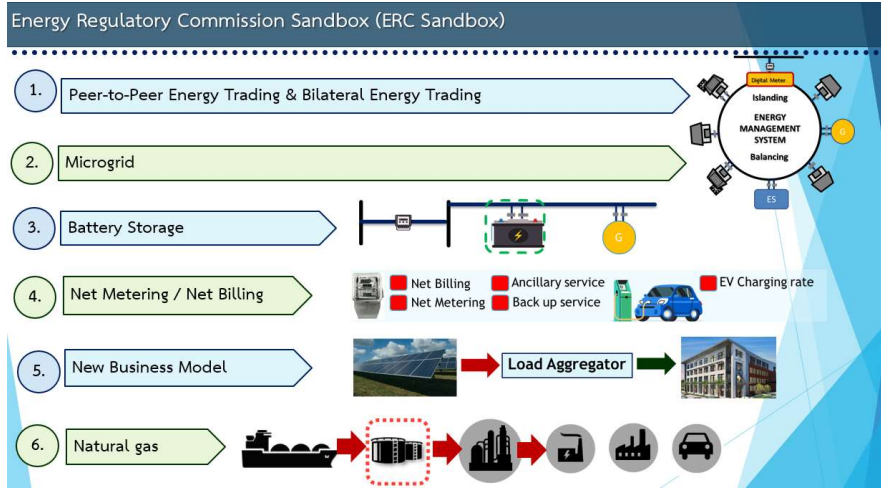
ปี	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570
กฟผ.	รฟ. บางพระ 1-2 1,386 MW					รฟ. บางพระ 3 700 MW	รฟ. พระนครใต้ (รวมเพิ่ม) 700 MW	รฟ. พระนครใต้ (รวมเพิ่ม) 1,400 MW
	Floating Solar/ฟิล์ม 47.5 MW	ฟิล์ม 14 MW		Floating Solar/ฟิล์ม 47.5 MW		ฟิล์มขนาดเล็ก 6 MW	Floating Solar/ฟิล์มขนาดเล็ก 502.5 MW	Floating Solar/ฟิล์มขนาดเล็ก 53.5 MW
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VSPP	56 MW	17 MW						
SPP	135 MW	584.4 MW	60 MW	30 MW	240 MW	60 MW		
ซื้อไฟ ต่างประเทศ			น้ำดิบ 514 MW				700 MW	
รฟ. ชุมชน	700 MW	350 MW	323 MW	280 MW	280 MW			
Solar ประชาชน/อื่นๆ	47 MW	50 MW	50 MW	50 MW	50 MW			
รฟ. ชะชุมชน			400 MW					
ชีวมวล ประชารัฐ			60 MW	60 MW				
พลังงานลม			90 MW	90 MW	90 MW			

รับซื้อไฟฟ้า RE
มีสัญญาผูกพันเดิม
1,179 MW
เปิดรับซื้อไฟฟ้า
RE ใหม่
2,973 MW

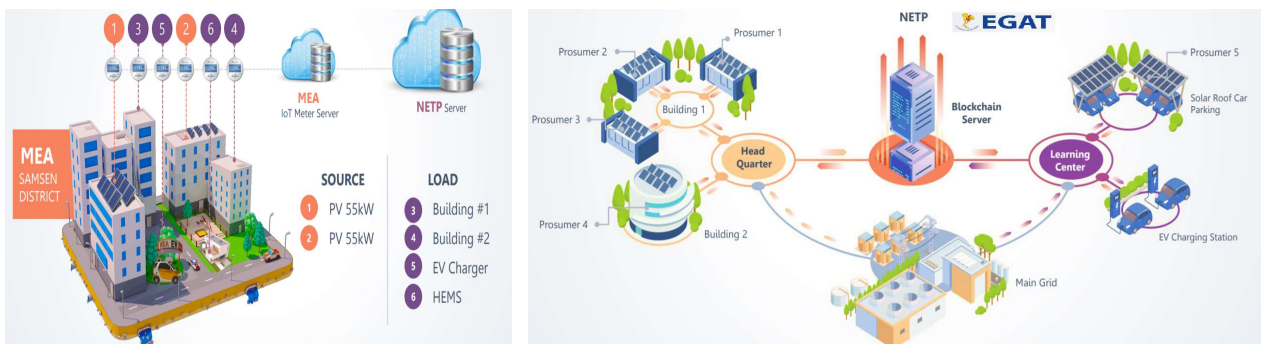
- รฟ. ชุมชน 1,933 MW
- ปี 63 : 700 MW (Quick win 100 MW+600 MW)
- รฟ. ชะชุมชน 400 MW
- รฟ. ชีวมวลประชารัฐ 120 MW
- รฟ. พลังงานลม 270 MW
- รฟ. พลังงานแสงอาทิตย์ 250 MW
- & Solar ภาคประชาชน

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Supporting Regulations: ERC sandbox projects

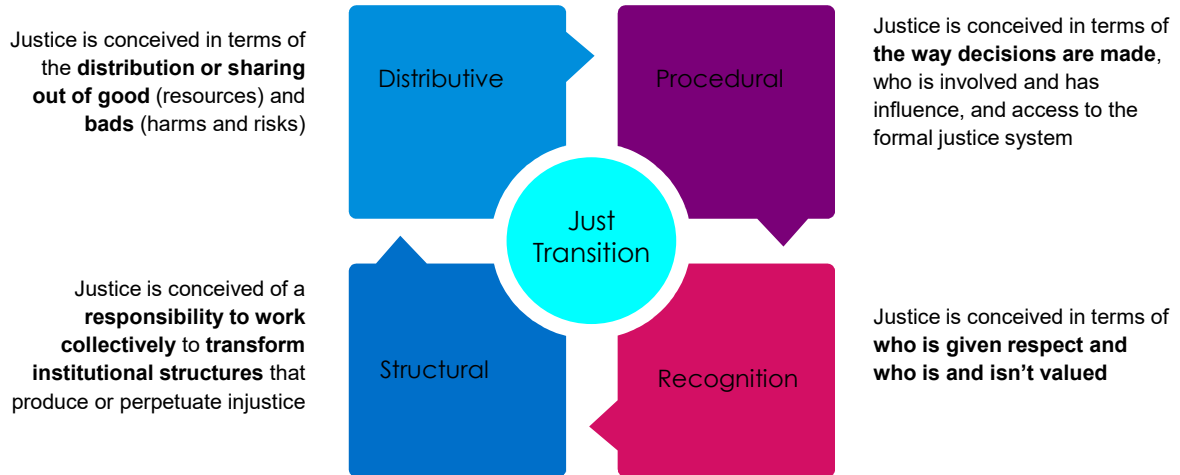


Examples of peer-to-peer pilot projects



Principles of “Just Transition”

COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF A JUST TRANSITION: Making sure no one is left behind



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Consideration for a Just Transition

Measures to ensure a **JUST ENERGY TRANSITION**:

- Provide the population with **sufficient energy resources** of high quality, without burdening financially the customers
- As part of the **regulatory reform**, **vulnerable customers will be protected** via measures to provide them relief
- Respect **due process and human rights** in our production and use of energy
- Consumers and Communities will be part of the transition by **inclusion in public consultations** before implementation of reforms, **increasing public awareness and education** on electrification and actions taken to reduce emissions, publication of periodic progress reports

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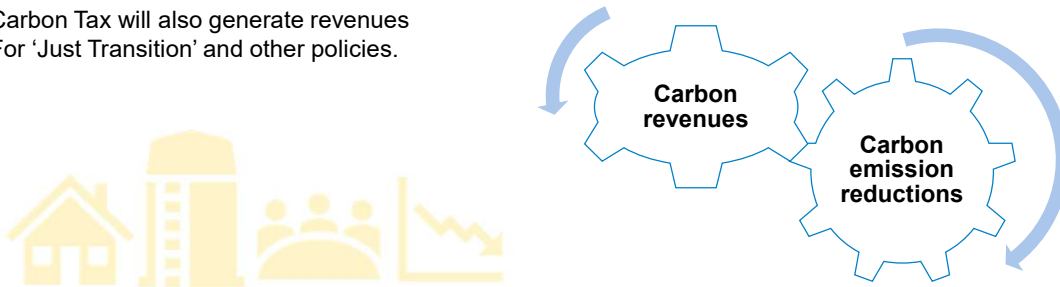
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Example: Carbon tax case

Context of carbon tax imposition

Carbon tax imposed on fossil fuels consumption in **two most emission intensive industries, Energy and Transport**. This will have effects across the economy, incentivizing emission reductions across all sectors.

Carbon Tax will also generate revenues For 'Just Transition' and other policies.



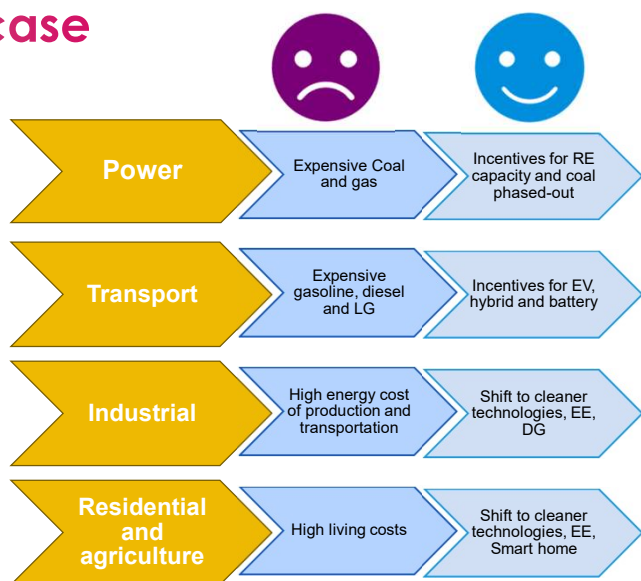
Example: Carbon tax case

IMPACTS OF CARBON TAX



Barriers or perceived negative impact

- Economic growth
- Employment
- Industrial growth
- Welfare



Example: Carbon tax case

IMPACTS OF CARBON TAX: MODELLING & ANALYSIS



Economic and employment impact

- Economic growth (%)
- Employment
- Industrial growth

Social impact

- Household welfare
- Income inequality
- Poverty reduction



DOCUMENT;
Carbon tax impact
Report



CO2 emissions reduction by sector

- Elasticity of demand to price changes

Carbon tax revenue allocation

- RE
- EE
- Compensation (household, agriculture)
- Building and infrastructure

***Monitoring indicators for policy evaluation every two years

Case Study: A just transition from Coal to Renewables

Photo Credit: Clean Energy Wire website

A roadmap for a just transition from Coal to Renewables

Learn from a Case Study: Insights from national coal-phase out discussions in Germany

- The role of coal in Germany's energy system, economy and environment.
- Coal-phase out plan (timeline and step by step)
- Critique and discussion to phase out coal
- Comparing the socio-political and techno-economic environment of the coal regimes in Germany and the UK pathways
- Discussion on the context of coal-phase out in Thailand



Case studies: The UK and Germany

Why choose UK and Germany to study about coal phase-out pathway?

- Coal plays a major role for both countries
- UK: Decided in 2015 to phase out coal by 2025, replaced coal with natural gas and large-scale RE
- Germany: Considered to phase out coal by 2038, replaced coal with renewables

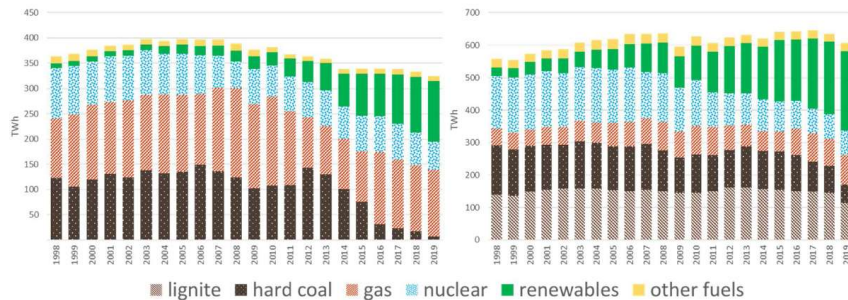


Fig. 2. Gross Electricity Generation for the UK (left) and Germany (right) in TWh. Own depiction based on the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (2020), Umweltbundesamt (2020a), AG Energiebilanzen (2020); numbers for 2019 are preliminary.

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Stories behind diverging transition

UK

- **International competition on coal business** led to a quick decline of coal
- **Political incentive:** Starting in 2006, climate friendly political decisions creates opportunities for those prioritizing environment (high awareness of climate change).
- **Focus on cost efficiency** and not supporting new entrants (preference for large-scale technologies)
- **Several policies constrained coal's business** such as the Carbon Price Floor (CPF), the Renewable Obligations (RO), the Emissions Performance Standard (EPS) and the Climate Change Act (2008)
- **Incentivized incumbent** to deploy RE themselves
- **Subsidies for renewables were cut heavily in 2015** result in barriers for small scale RE projects, slow down RE investment and increase the need to use NG as replacement of coal

"Incumbent-led" energy transition in the UK

Germany

- **Long subsidized coal by the Government**— existing incumbents the power to influence policies to support coal and a gradual phase-out plan
- **A Phase-out nuclear law in 2011 by 2022** make a coal-phase out more difficult as both comprise of 64% share of electricity generation
- **EU regulation forbid coal subsidies in 2018**, so hard coal mining declined and ended in Dec 2018.
- **Market pressures on coal business**, increasing the prices for allowance of EU Emission Trading System in 2019, shrinking gas prices made coal combustion increasingly uneconomic.
- **Renewable Energy Sources Act (EEG) in 2004** provided attractive FTI for green and support new market participants in RE. The Green Growth discourse further pushed the transition

"New-entrant-led disruptive" energy transition in Germany

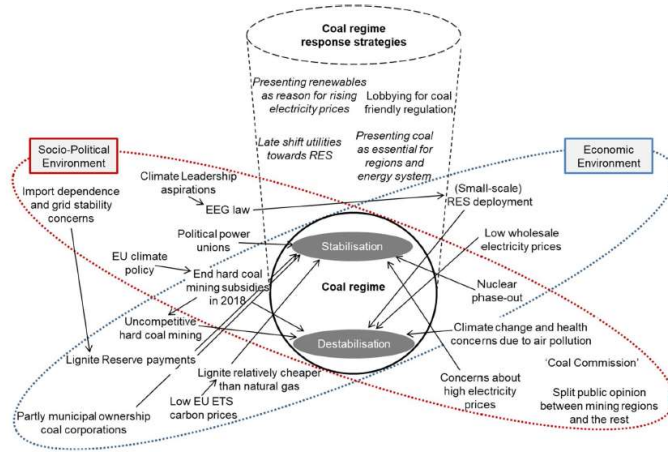
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Incumbent coal firms' responses

In Germany

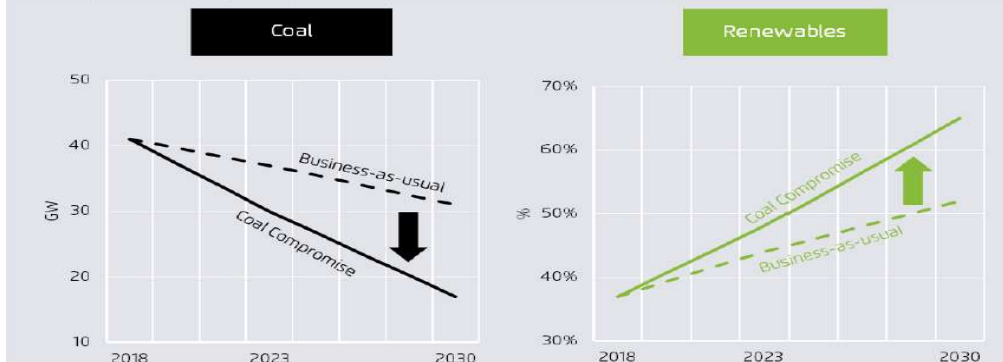
- Lobby for coal friendly regulation
- Misrepresent the effect of renewables for the general public
 - On electricity price– FIT for renewables paid by consumers explicitly on bills while coal subsidized by state budget not visible to consumers.
 - Uncompetitive German industries with increasing energy costs
 - Energy security despite that various studies showing that grid stability is not threatened by increasing RE
- Make German industries uncompetitive by increasing energy costs
- Underestimate the fast growth of RE, so missed the opportunity to invest in non-fossil fuel technologies and unwilling to invest in small-scale RE projects.



Source: Brauers et al. (2020). Comparing coal phase-out pathways: The UK and Germany's diverging transition

Coal phase-out plan to renewables in Germany

Figure 18: Coal-fired power plant capacity and the share of renewable energy in gross electricity consumption in 2018, 2023, and 2030



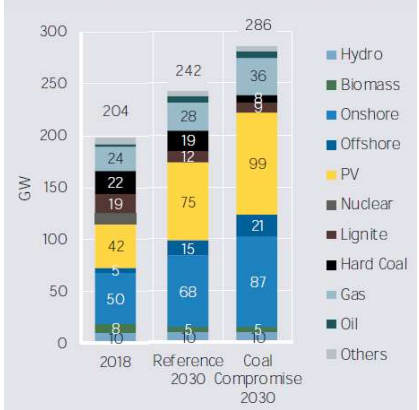
Source: Agora (2019). A roadmap for a just transition from coal to renewables

Coal phase-out plan to renewables in Germany

Figure S-3: Gross electricity generation in 2010-2030 with implementation of the coal compromise



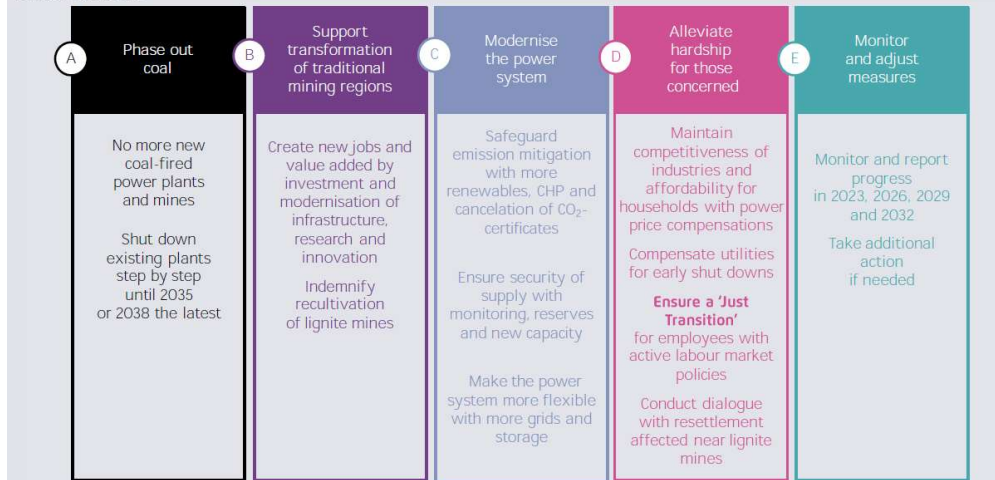
Generation capacities (net) in 2018, 2023, and 2030



Source: Agora (2019). A roadmap for a just transition from coal to renewables

Step by Step to phase out coal

Figure 11: Overview of the recommendations of the Commission on Growth, Structural Change, and Employment



Source: Agora (2019). A roadmap for a just transition from coal to renewables

Step by Step to phase out coal: A

Phase out coal step by step

No more new coal-fired power plants and mines

- No permitting for new coal plants and preferably no connecting to the grid of power plants still being built
- No permitting of new mines for energetic use and preferably preservation of Hambach forest near Hambach mine

Shut down existing coal-fired power plants step by step

- Gradual reduction of existing coal-fired power plant capacities in the market:
 - to a maximum of 15 GW of lignite and 15 GW of hard coal in 2022
 - to a maximum of 9 GW of lignite and 8 GW of hard coal in 2030
 - phase out by 2038 at the latest: In 2032 it will be examined whether a complete phase-out of coal is already possible by 2035

In order to ensure sufficient legal certainty, the Commission recommends that, as an instrument, consensual negotiation agreements, including compensation payments, should be concluded with operators by 2022. These are then to be fixed by law. For the period from 2023 to 2030, the Commission recommends a competitive bidding process to determine which hard-coal-fired power stations will be decommissioned and the level of compensation to be received. By contrast, the phase-out for lignite-fired power plants will continue to be based on negotiated solutions. If no amicable agreement can be reached between the federal government and the operators by 30 June 2020, the federal government should adopt a mandatory decommissioning schedule, including appropriate compensation for power plant operators.

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Step by Step to phase out coal: B

B

Support the transformation of traditional mining regions

Creating new employment and value added

- Modernisation of energy infrastructure in including the expansion of renewables, grids, storage and PtX
- Speeding up formal planning processes
- **Developing 'model regions'**
- Investment in transport and digital infrastructure as well as R&D
- Locating federal government offices and employees

Indemnify recultivation of opencast lignite mines

- Adaption of permits to changes in lignite demand
- Usage of the possibility of security payments when approving permit changes
- Usage of compensation payments for power plant operators for recultivation

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Source: Agora (2019). A roadmap for a just transition from coal to renewables

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Step by Step to phase out coal: C

C Modernise the power system		
<p>Safeguard emission mitigation of phase out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansions of renewables to 65% of gross electricity consumption by 2030 • Cancellation of CO₂ certificates • Examination of appropriate CO₂ pricing in sectors outside emissions trading 	<p>Ensure security of supply</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of measures to monitor security of supply • Usage of existing reserve mechanism and replacement of decommissioned coal capacities from the reserve • Continuation and modernisation of CHP support • Examination of capacity mechanism in 2023 if needed 	<p>Make the power system more flexible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modernisation and better use of grids through optimisation, expansion and market measures • Promotion of storage systems • Review of the existing tax and levy system in the energy sector

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Step by Step to phase out coal: D

D Alleviate hardship for those concerned		
<p>Ensure socially acceptable implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protections against dismissal, enabling early retirement without financial losses, provisions for retraining, and measures for reallocation to new jobs for coal workers • Power price compensation for households • Engagement in dialog of regional governments with residents near mines 	<p>Maintain competitiveness of commercial and industry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue and further develop CO₂ electricity price compensation at the European level • Power price compensation for commercial and industry 	<p>Phase out in agreement with power plant operators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial compensation for power plant operators for the early shut-down of capacities in a negotiative and/or competitive bidding process

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Step by Step to phase out coal: E

E
Monitor and adjust measures

Regularly review the measures and report progress

- Close monitoring in accordance with specific criteria and recorded in progress reports in the years 2023, 2026, and 2029
- Establishment of an independent panel of experts to assess progress
- Presentation in and resolution of the reports in and by the federal cabinet and the Parliament

Take additional action if needed

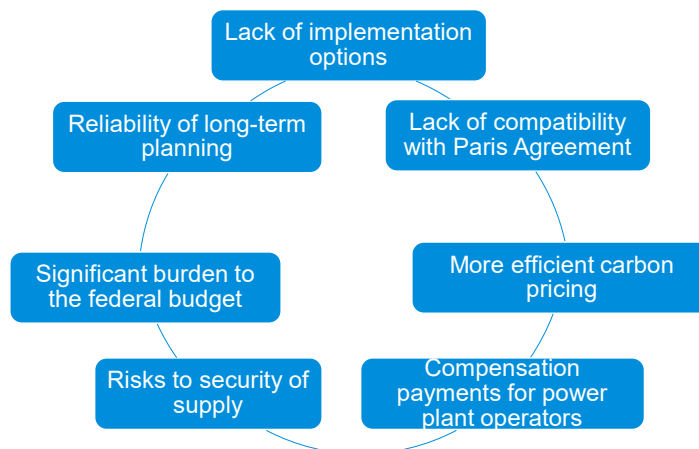
- Consistent adjustment if the implementation of the measures has shortcomings

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Critique and discussions



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