

# Energy and Climate Change

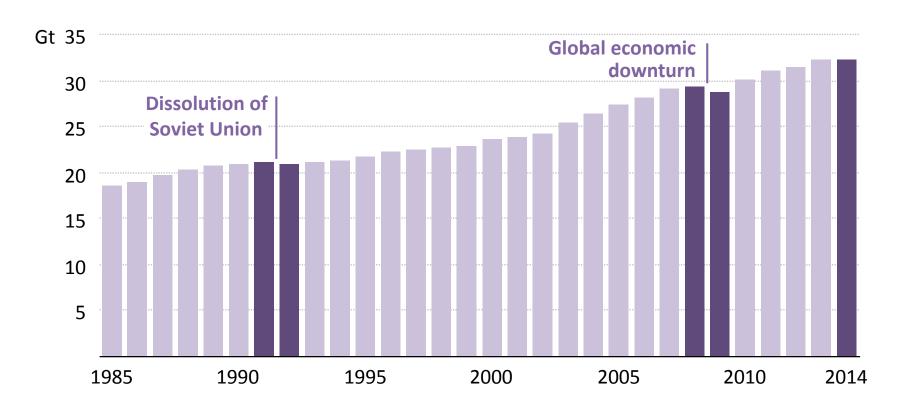
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#### **Energy & climate change today**

- A major milestone in efforts to combat climate change is fast approaching – COP21 in Paris in December 2015
- Momentum is building:
  - Historic US-China joint announcement; EU 2030 targets agreed
  - > Developed & developing countries are putting forward new pledges to reduce emissions
  - Many energy companies & investors are starting to engage
- Energy production & use accounts for two-thirds of global greenhouse-gas emissions
- Energy sector must cut emissions, while powering economic growth, boosting energy security & increasing energy access

## **Energy emissions stall but economic engine keeps running**

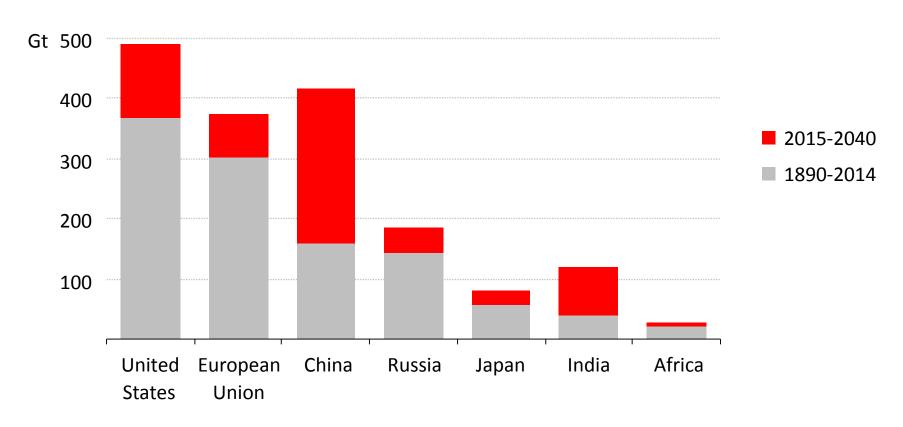
#### Global energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



For the first time, energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions stalled despite the global economy expanding by 3%

#### **Emissions burden moves over time**

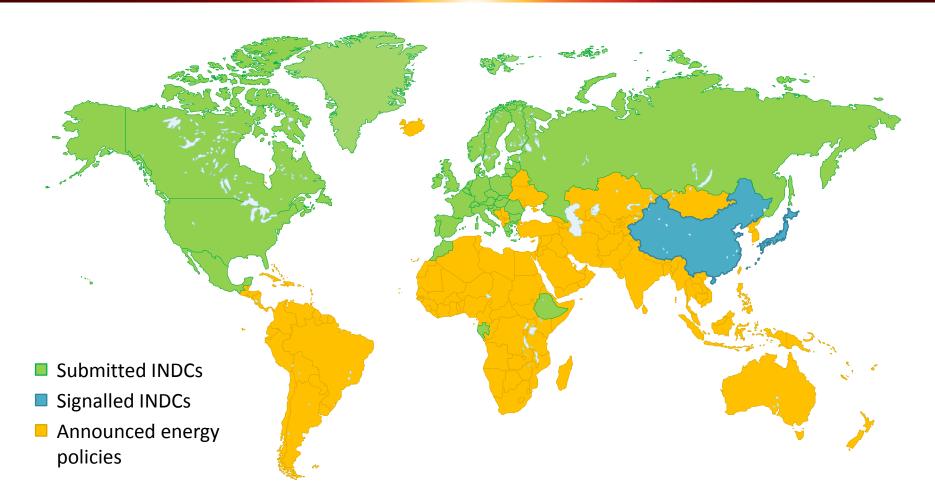
#### Cumulative energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by region



Past emissions are important, although the source of emissions shifts with changes in the global economy

# National pledges build towards a global agreement

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Submitted & signalled INDCs cover two-thirds of energy-related GHG emissions, with implications for future energy & emissions trends

# Climate pledges shift the energy sector

- One-quarter of the world's energy supply is low carbon in 2030;
   energy intensity improves three-times faster than the last decade
- Renewables reach nearly 60% of new capacity additions in the power sector; two-thirds of additions are in China, EU, US & India
- Natural gas is the only fossil-fuel that increases its share of the global energy mix
- Total coal demand in the US, Europe & Japan contracts by 45%, while the growth in India's coal use slows by one-quarter
- Climate pledges for COP21 are the right first step towards meeting the climate goal

#### What does the energy sector need from COP21?

#### The IEA proposal for COP21:

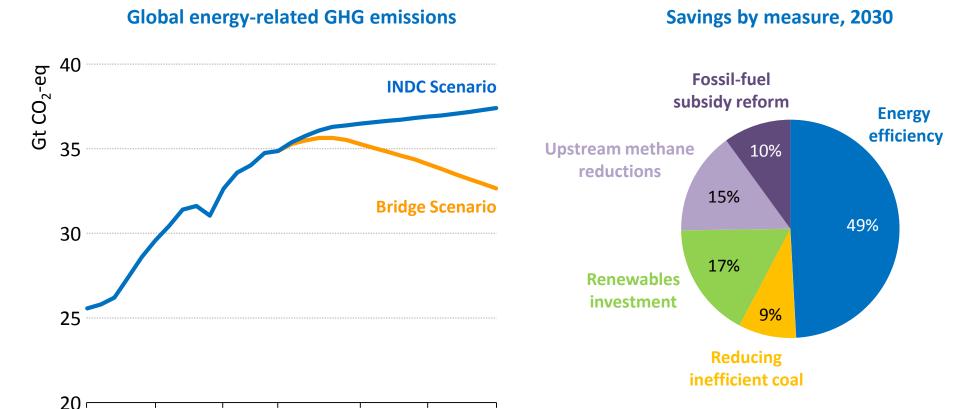
- Peak in emissions set the conditions which will achieve an early peak in global energy-related emissions
- Five-year revision review contributions regularly, to test the scope to lift the level of ambition
- 3. Lock in the vision translate the established climate goal into a collective long-term emissions goal
- **4. Track the transition** establish a process for tracking energy sector achievements

## 1. Peak in emissions: IEA strategy to raise climate ambition

2014

2020

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

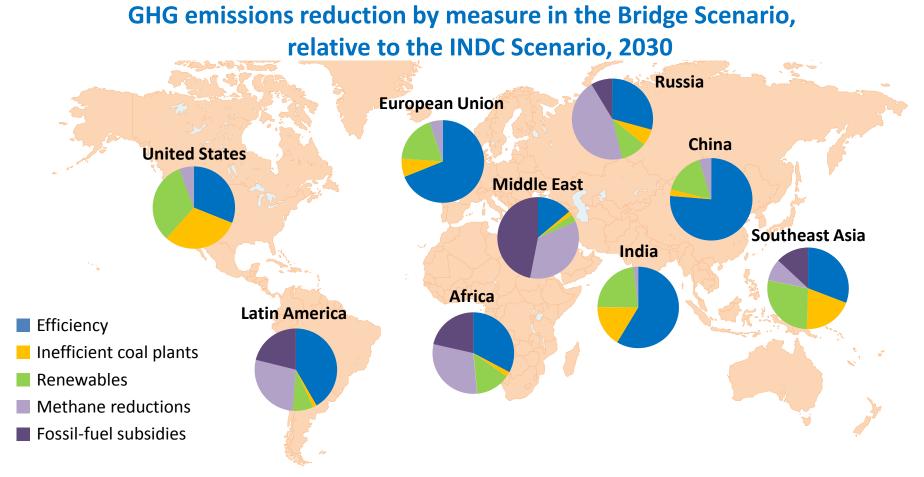
2030

2025

2000

### 1. Peak in emissions: Bridging strategy is flexible across regions

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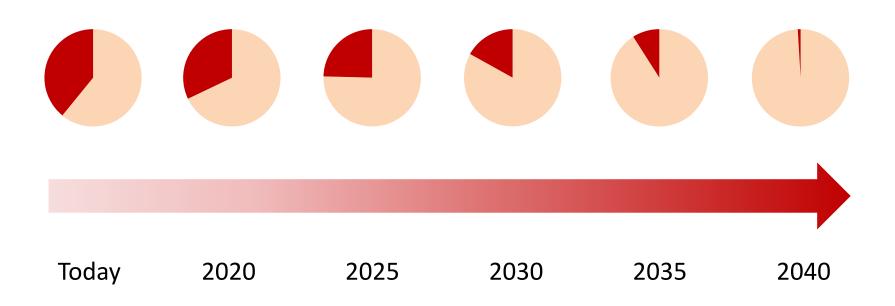


The measures in the Bridge Scenario apply flexibly across regions, with energy efficiency and renewables as key measures worldwide

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## 2. Five-year revision:World's carbon budget is shrinking

World's remaining carbon budget

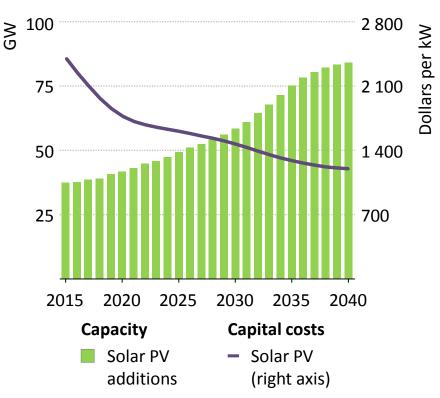


A five-year review cycle would enable pledges to keep pace with energy sector innovation; building ambition before the carbon budget is consumed

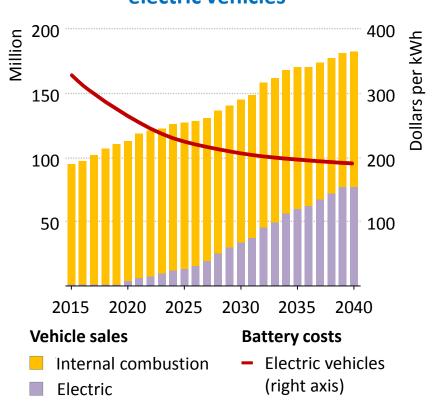
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#### 3. Lock in the vision: What more does it take for 2 °C?





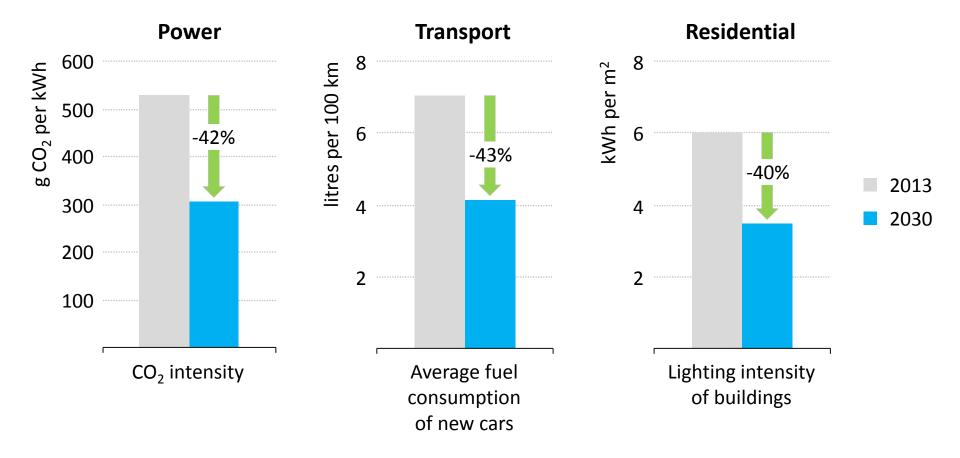
#### Cost reductions & deployment of electric vehicles



An emissions goal would give greater clarity & certainty to the energy sector, strengthening the case for RD&D investment & technology transfer

## 4. Track the transition: Impact of pledges must be monitored

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Energy sector indicators are needed to track the low-carbon transition; IEA identifies key metrics to monitor energy sector achievements

#### **Conclusions**

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- Pledges are not yet enough to achieve our climate goal, but are a basis from which to build ambition
- Companies that do not anticipate stronger energy & climate policies risk being at a competitive disadvantage
- For COP21, the IEA proposes four key energy sector outcomes:
  - Target a near-term <u>peak in emissions</u>
  - **2. Five-year revision**, to test the scope for raising ambition
  - **3. Lock in the vision** by setting a long-term emissions goal
  - **4. Track the transition** in the energy sector
- Climate change will lead the agenda at the IEA's Ministerial meeting on 17-18 November 2015



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