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# Diving into joint energy visions: Scenarios for the Australian-German energy transition - two energy super powers, hydrogen/efuel and technology export

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# The global energy transition for limiting global warming to below 2°C

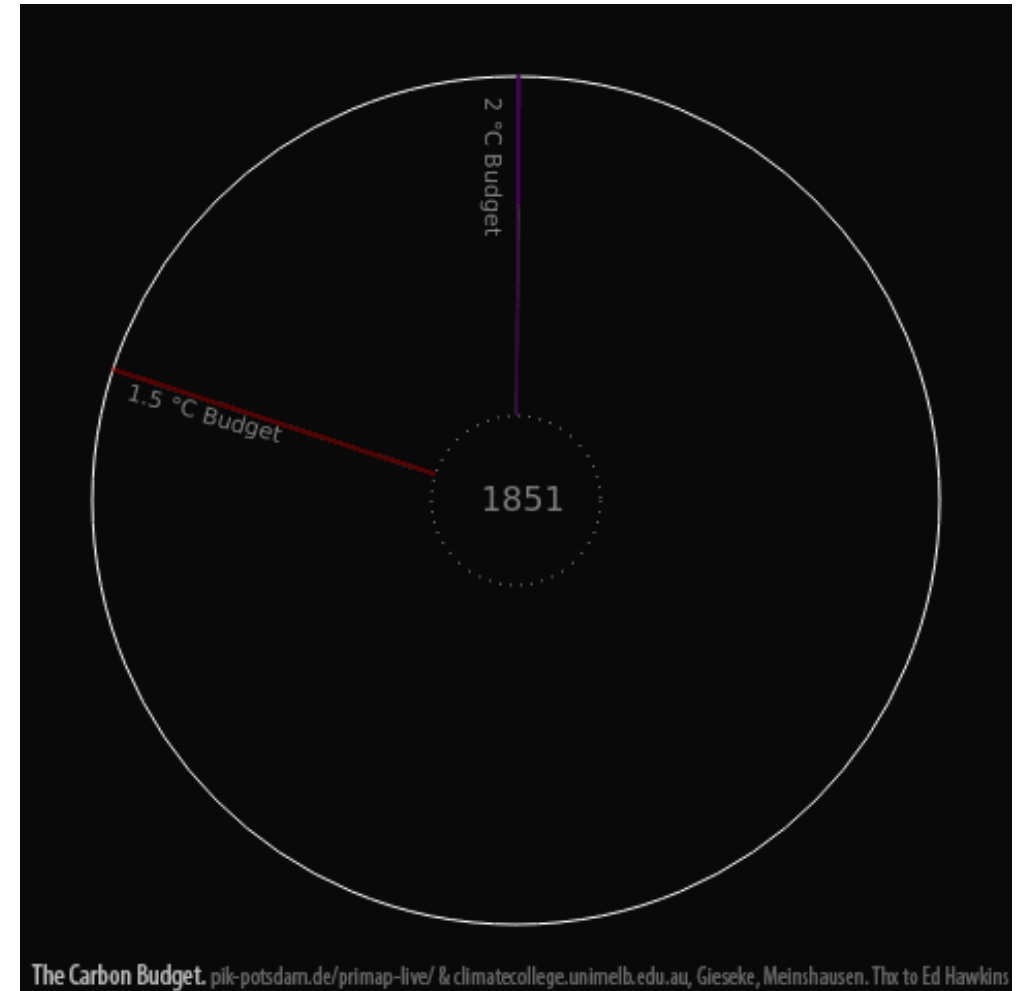
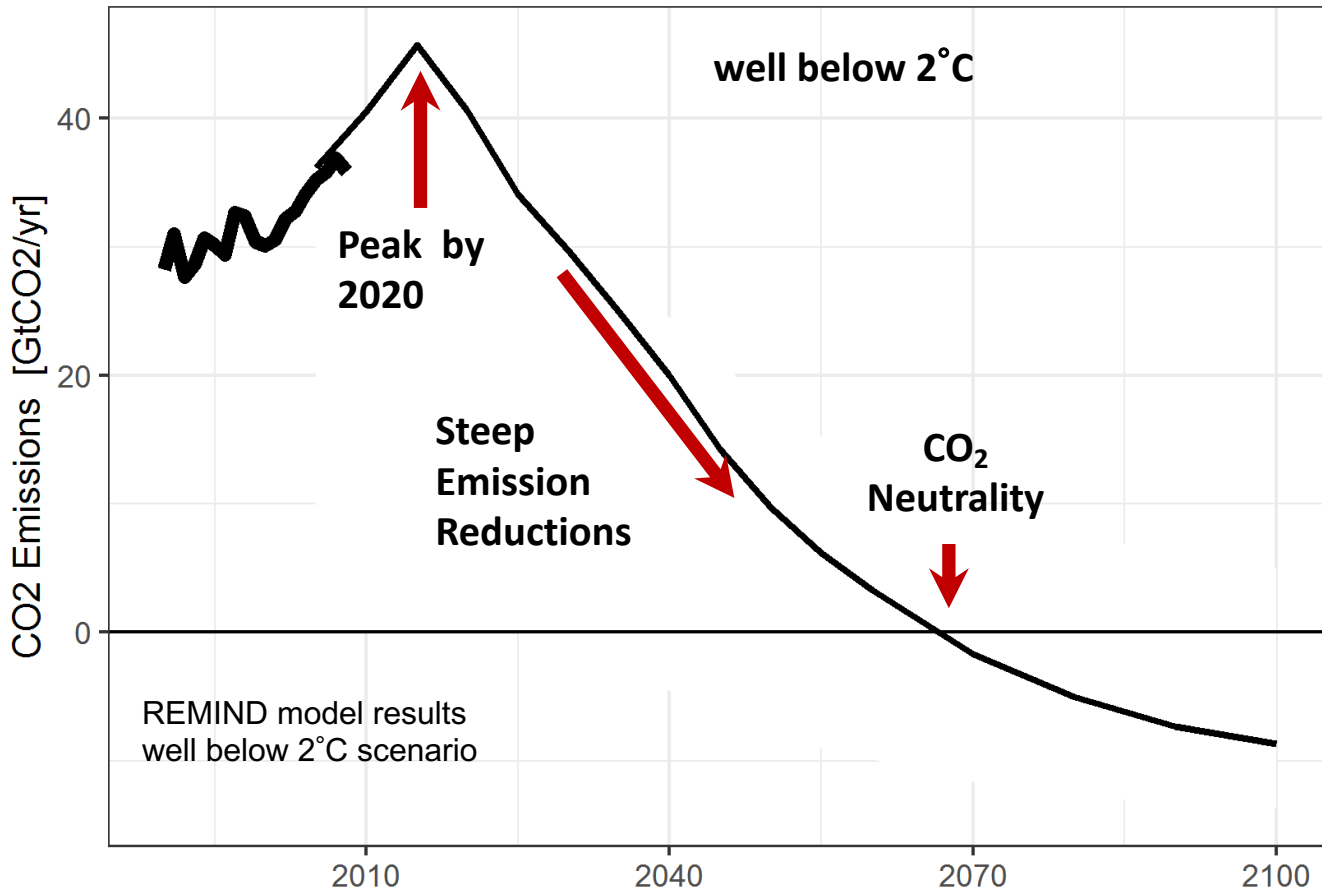
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# The net zero emissions challenge

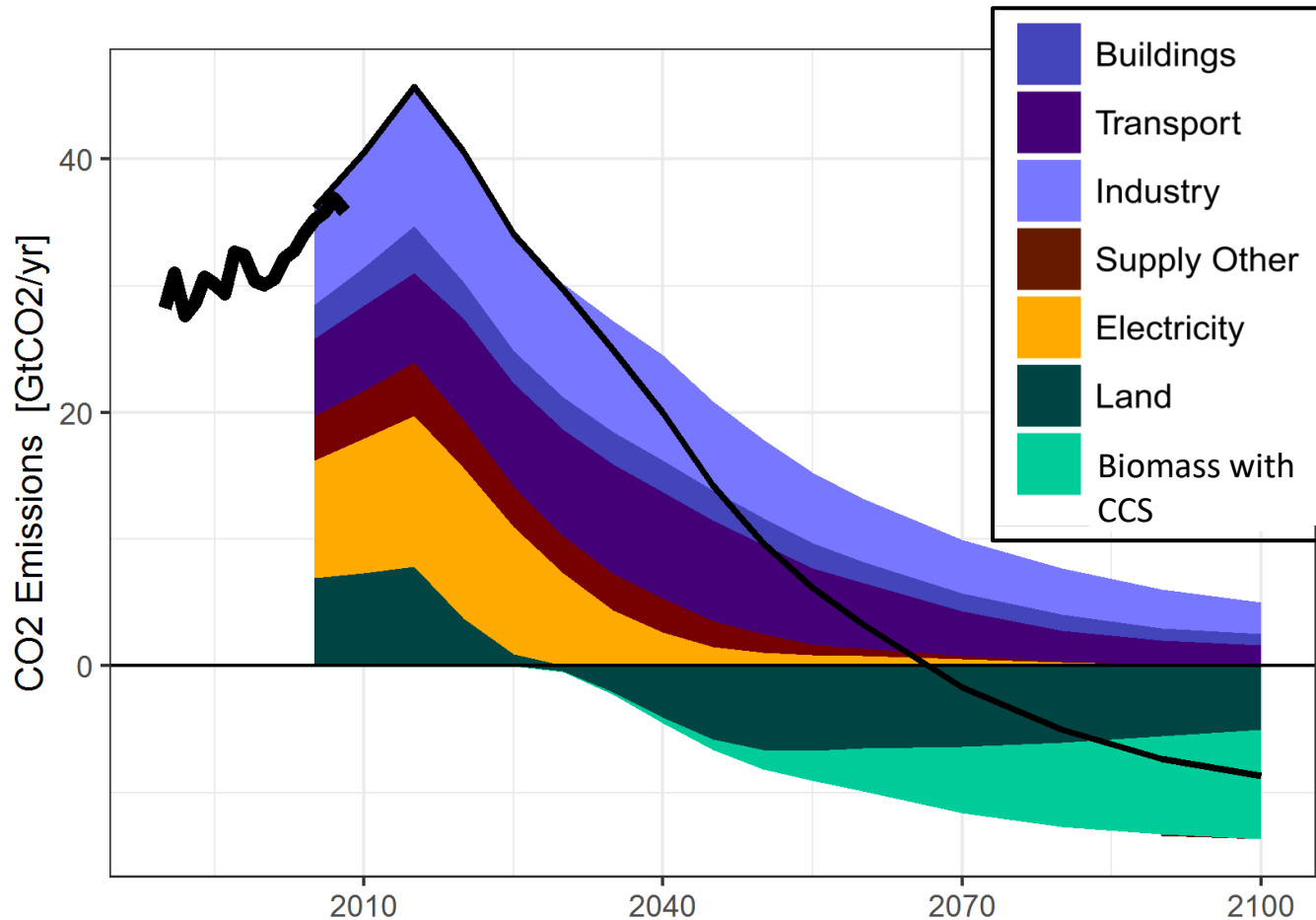


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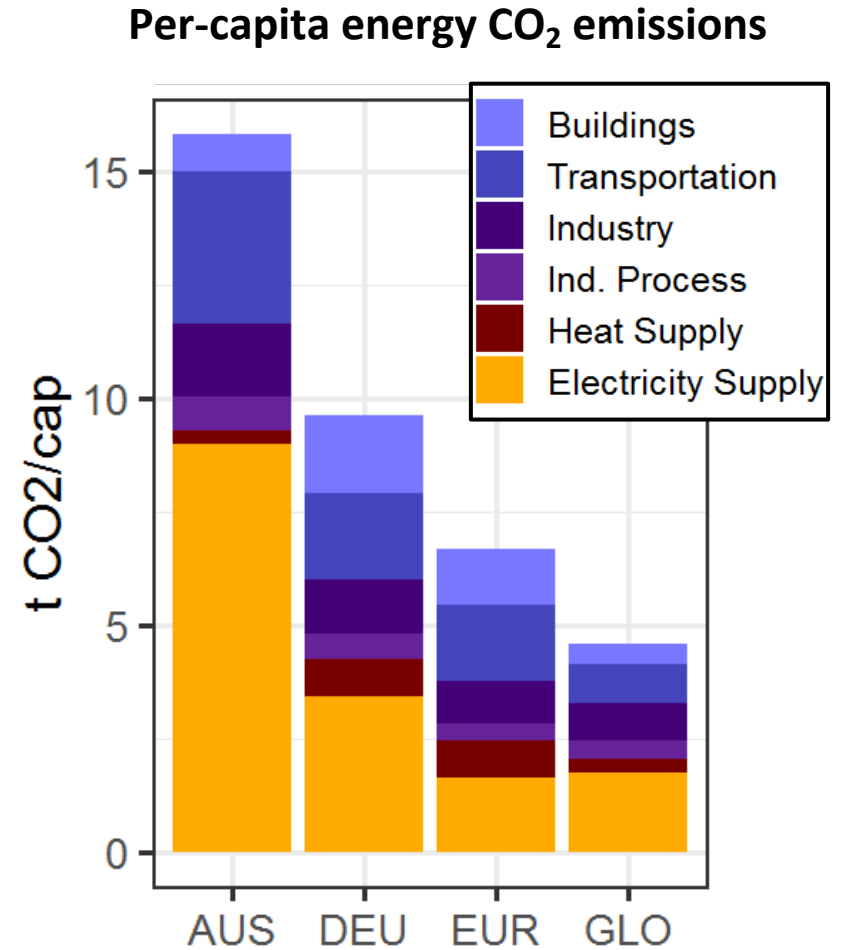
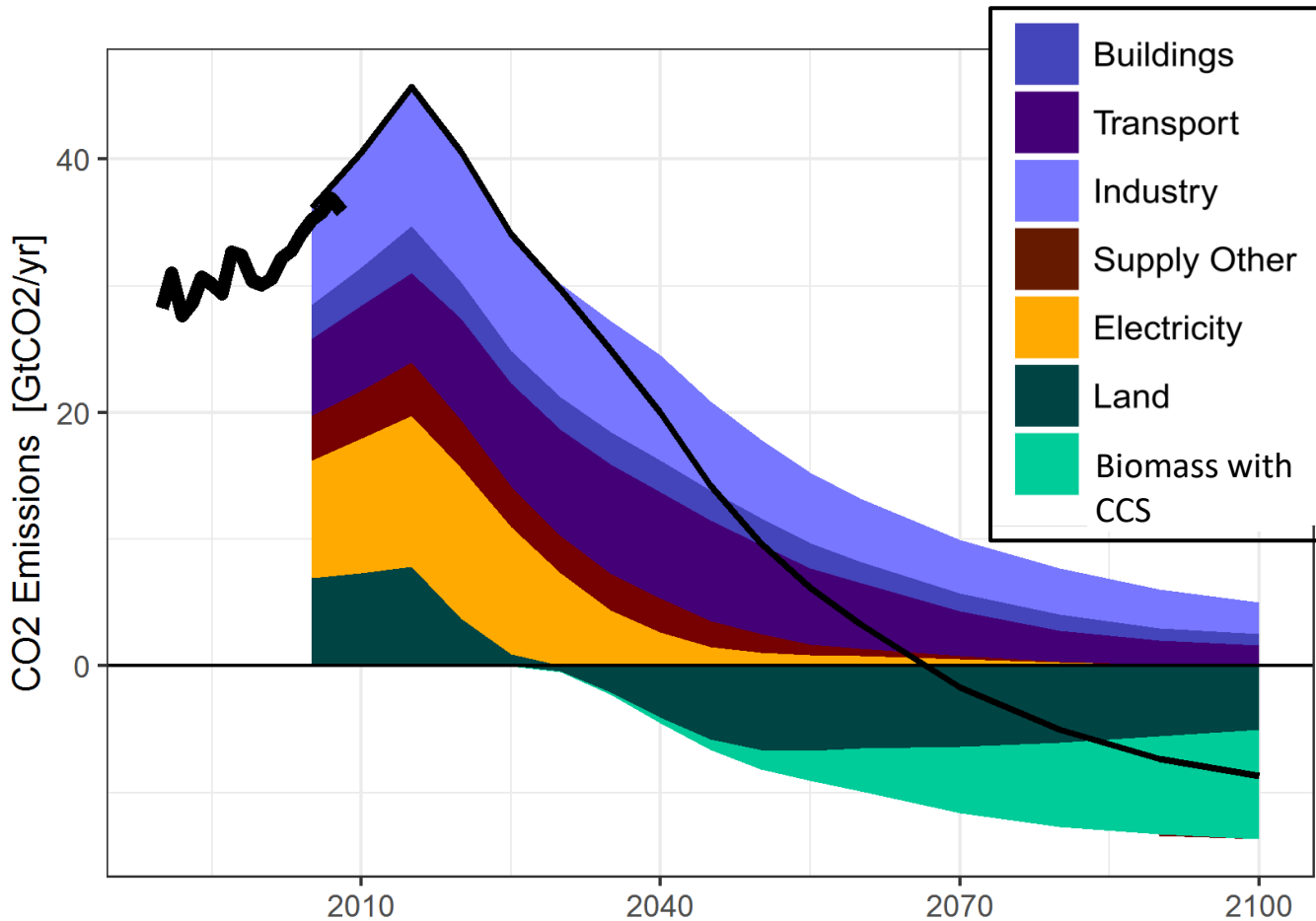


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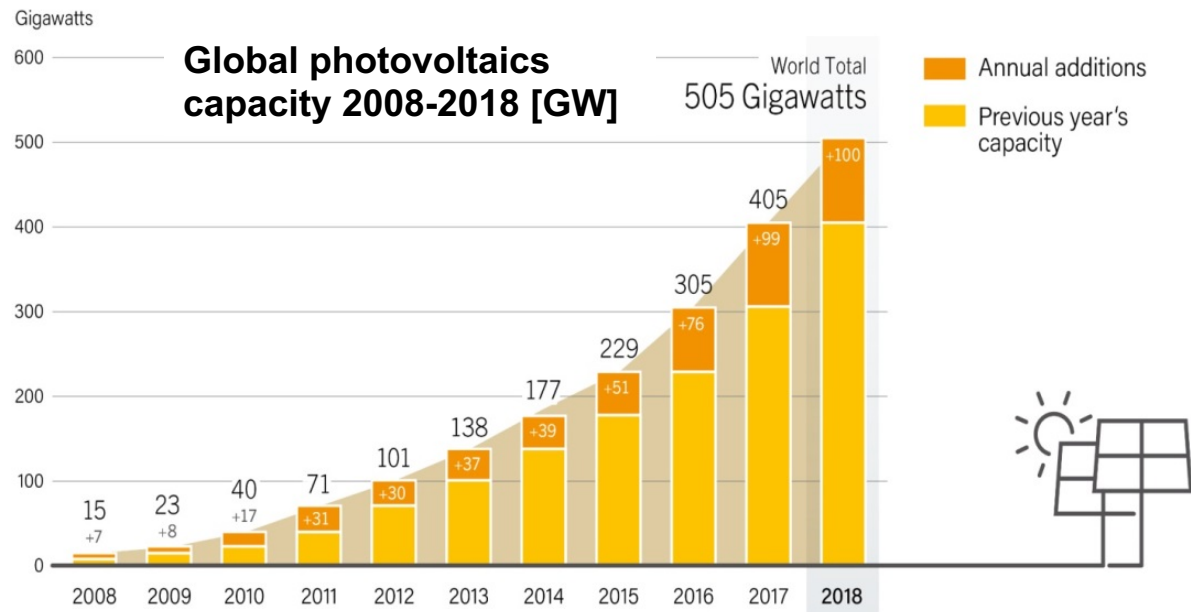
- Rapid emissions reductions in the **power sector**: phasing out coal and ramping up renewables
- Remaining fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are dominated by **decarbonization bottlenecks** in **transport** (freight, aviation) and **industry** (steel, cement, chemicals)
- These residual fossil emissions are the key determinant of the feasibility of Paris targets and the scale of **carbon dioxide removal** (CDR)

# The net zero emissions challenge



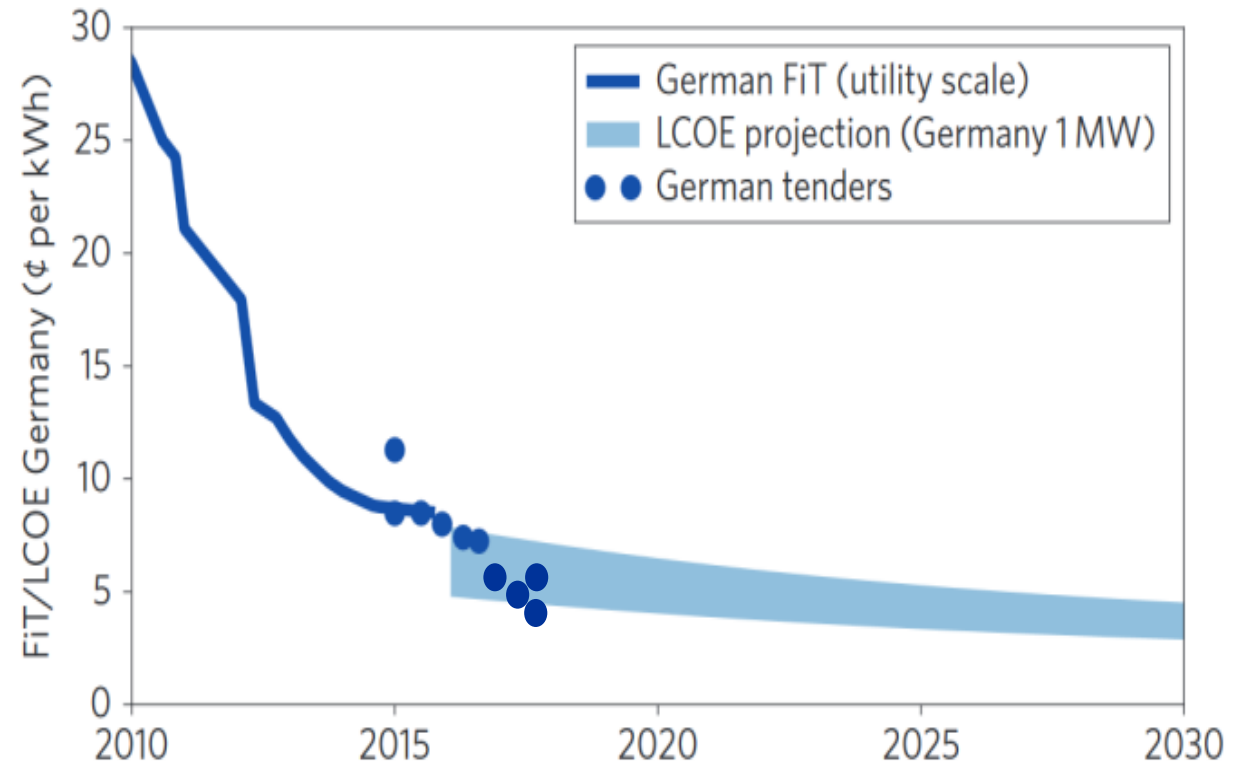
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# Opportunity (1): Renewable electricity



Note: Data are provided in direct current (DC).  
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Source: Becquerel Institute and IEA PVPS.

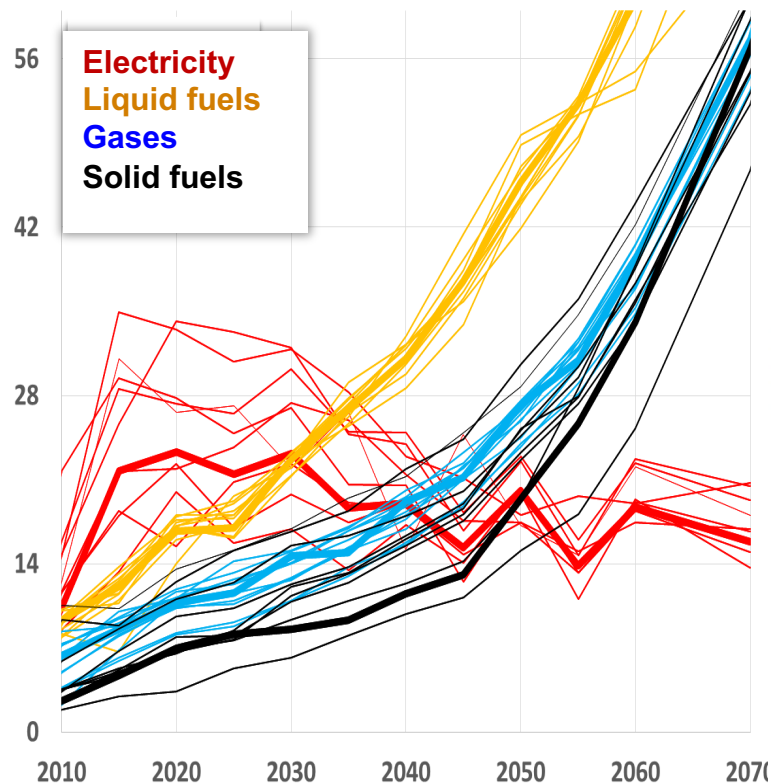


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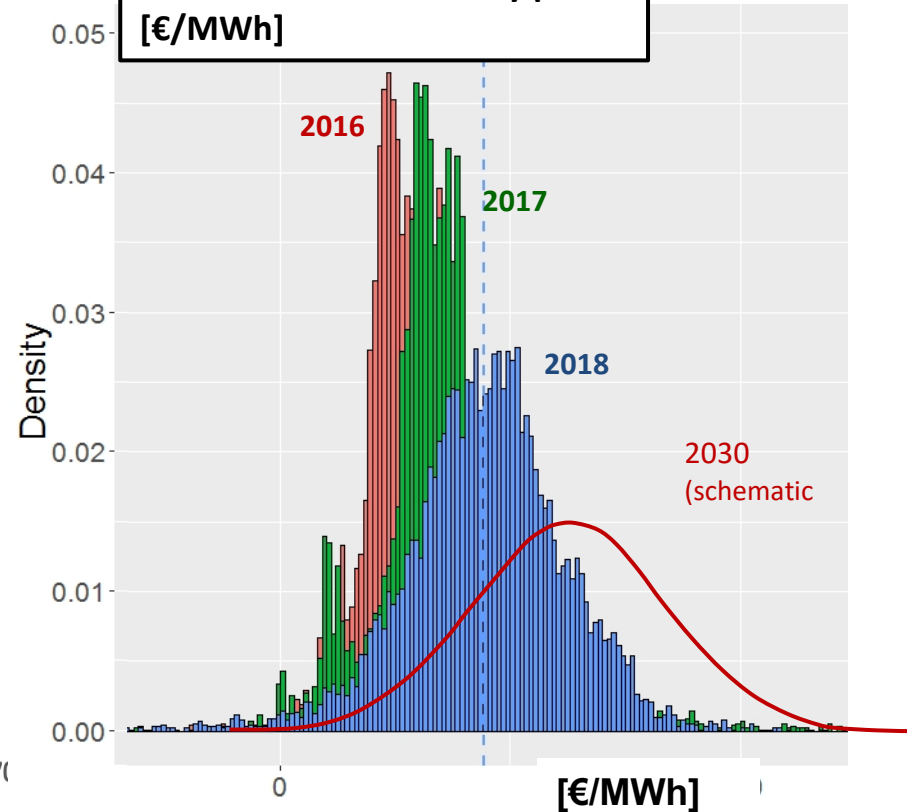
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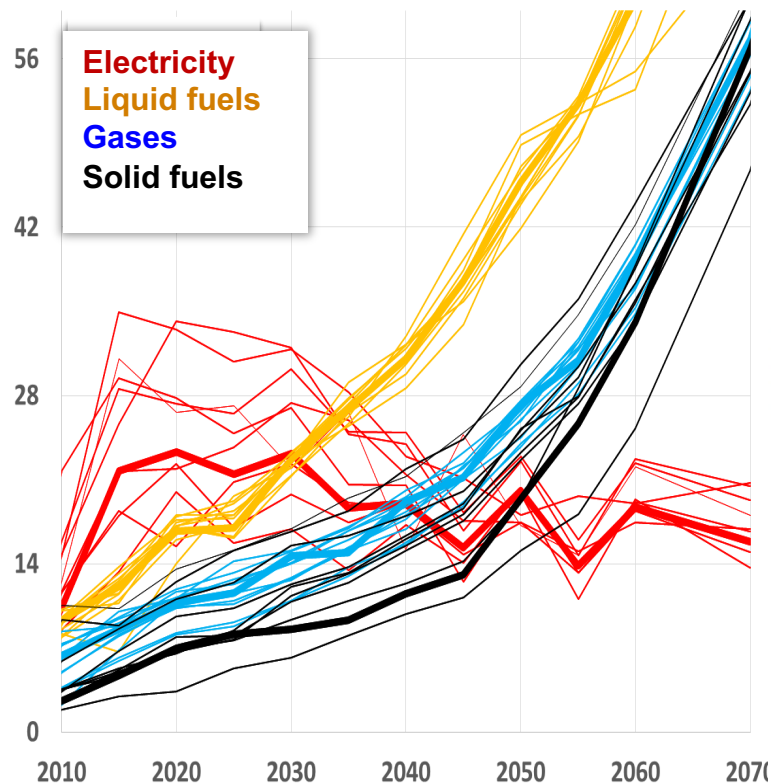
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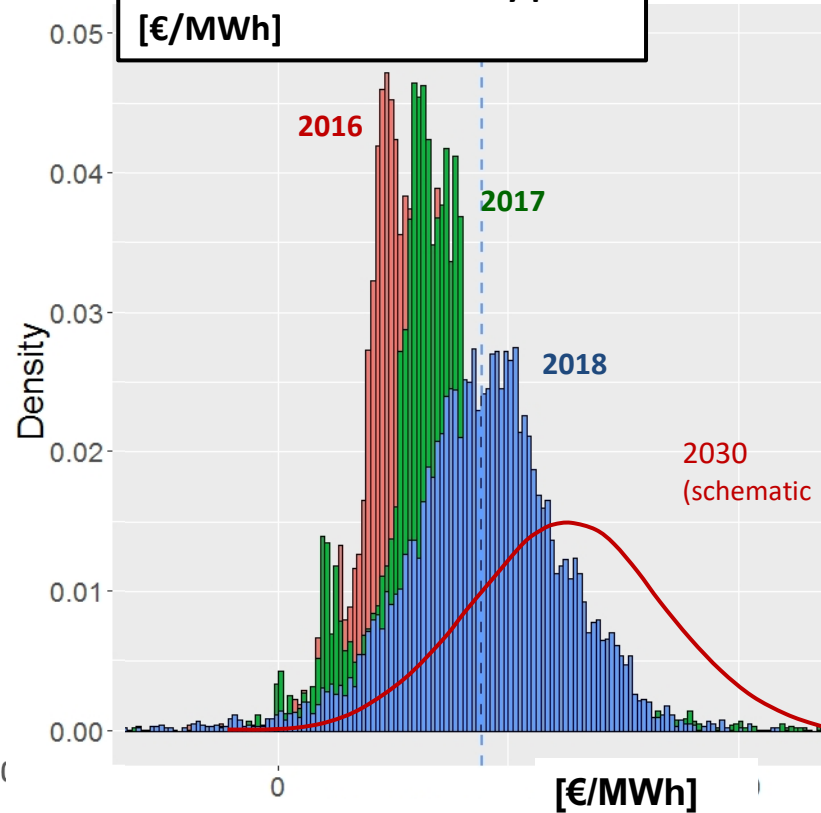
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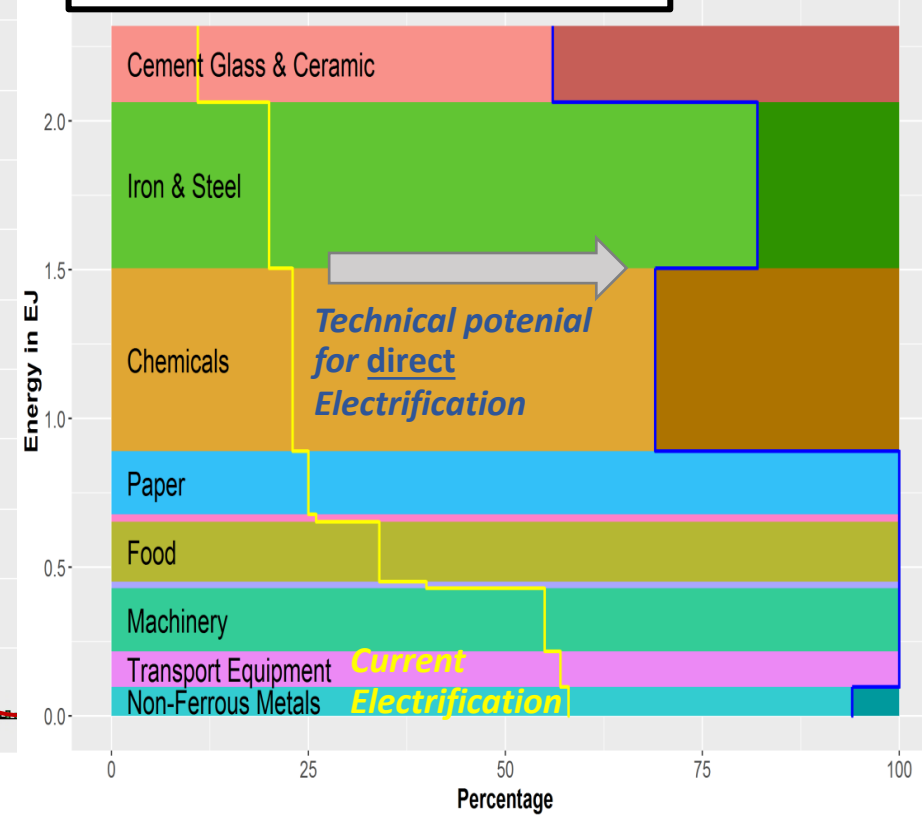
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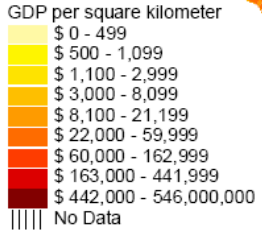
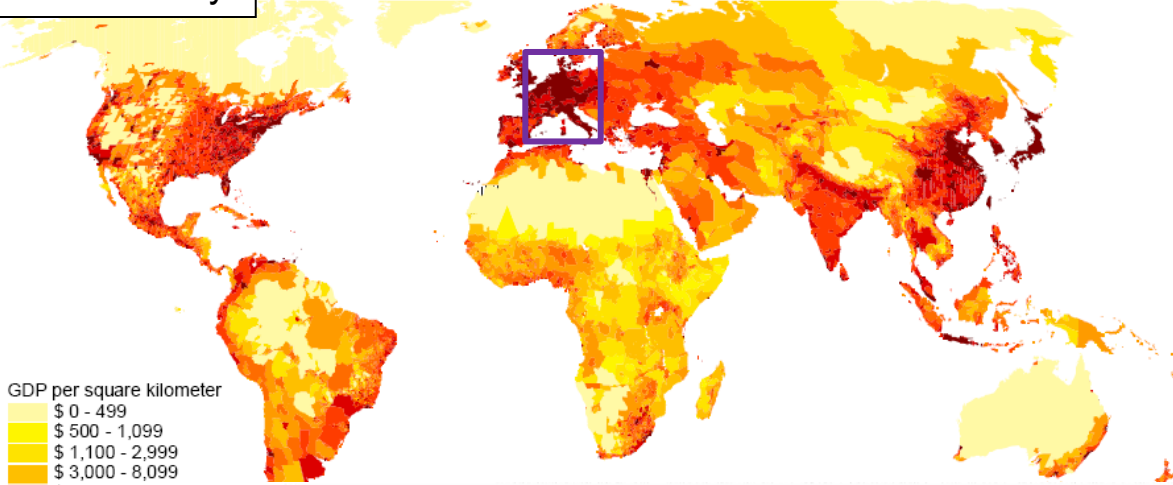
...making electrification increasingly attractive.

Electrification potentials in industry



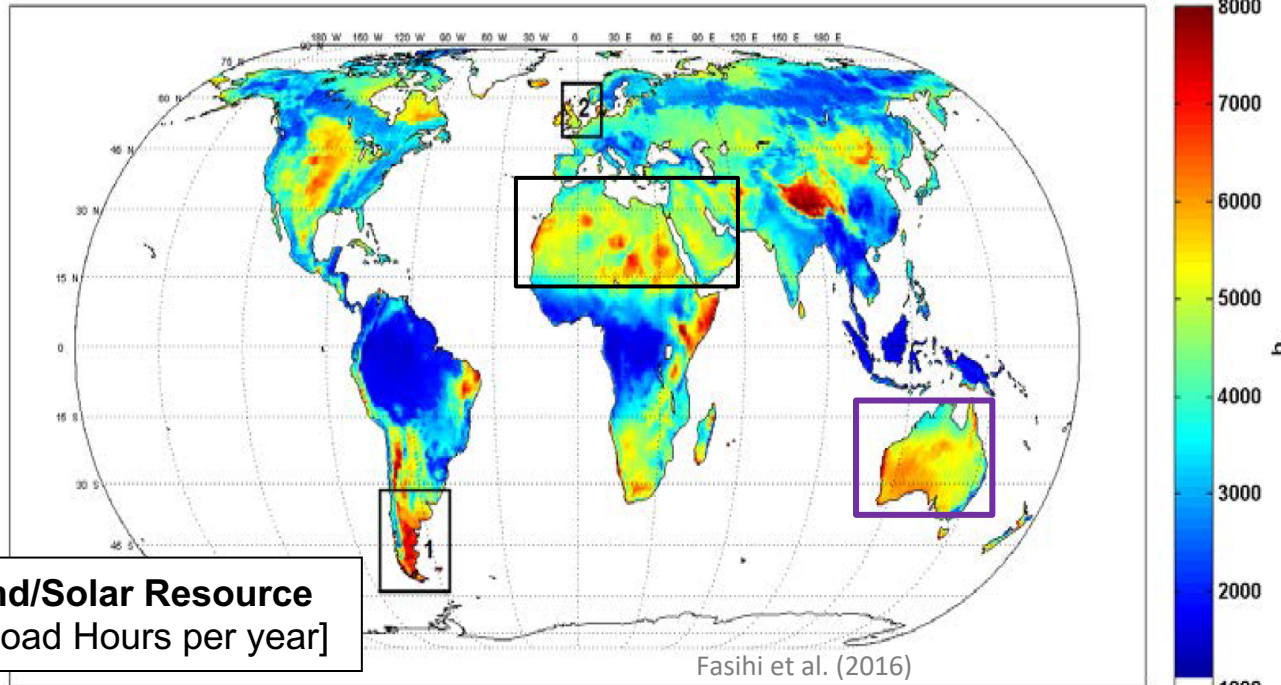
# Opportunity (3): Shipping the sun

GDP Density



How can renewable energy be traded?

- **Electricity** via ultra high voltage grid grid
- **Synthetic fuels** (hydrogen, methane, methanol,...)
- **Energy intensive materials** (steel, aluminum, ammonia,...)



Combined Wind/Solar Resource Potential [Full Load Hours per year]

Fasihi et al. (2016)

# Thank you!

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# Transition Scenarios for Germany

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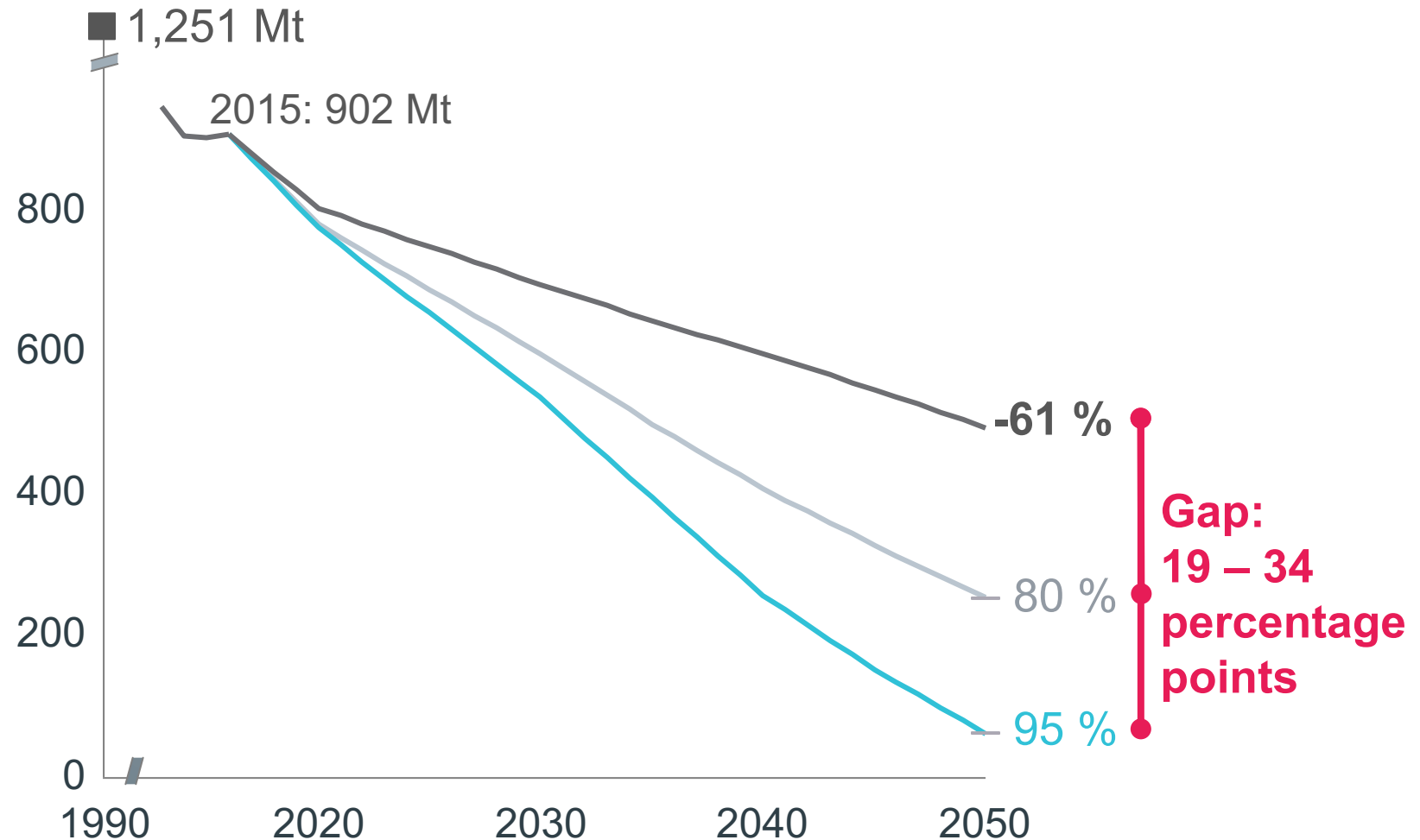


# Key Results from BDI-Study „Climate Paths for Germany“

There are huge gaps to be filled in order to reach political goals

## Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Germany

Million Tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents



Sources: The Boston Consulting Group, Prognos 2017

# Altering assumptions would directly affect modeling outcome.

## We modelled according to the following assumptions:

### Perfect carbon leakage protection

Energy and emissions-intensive industries will not have to face direct or indirect costs resulting from the ETS that exceed the current level

### Electricity grid/infrastructure

Changed demand and supply structures, overhauled power grid without structural bottlenecks, no cut-off of renewable energies due to insufficient grid infrastructure

### Economic abatement costs

2050 climate goal is reached with priority to most cost-efficient (abatement costs) measures first across the different sectors

### Perfect regulation

Right policy decisions are taken at the right point in time. Cross-sector measures are implemented in an ideal way

### Demand Side Management

All new consumers of power/energy (electric vehicles, heat pumps, PtX) are assumed to be able to contribute to overall system integrity/stability

### Technological Progress

Expert roundtables estimated future technology costs and benefits. Results tested against current scientific estimates

# 80 % path achievable with technologies known to us today

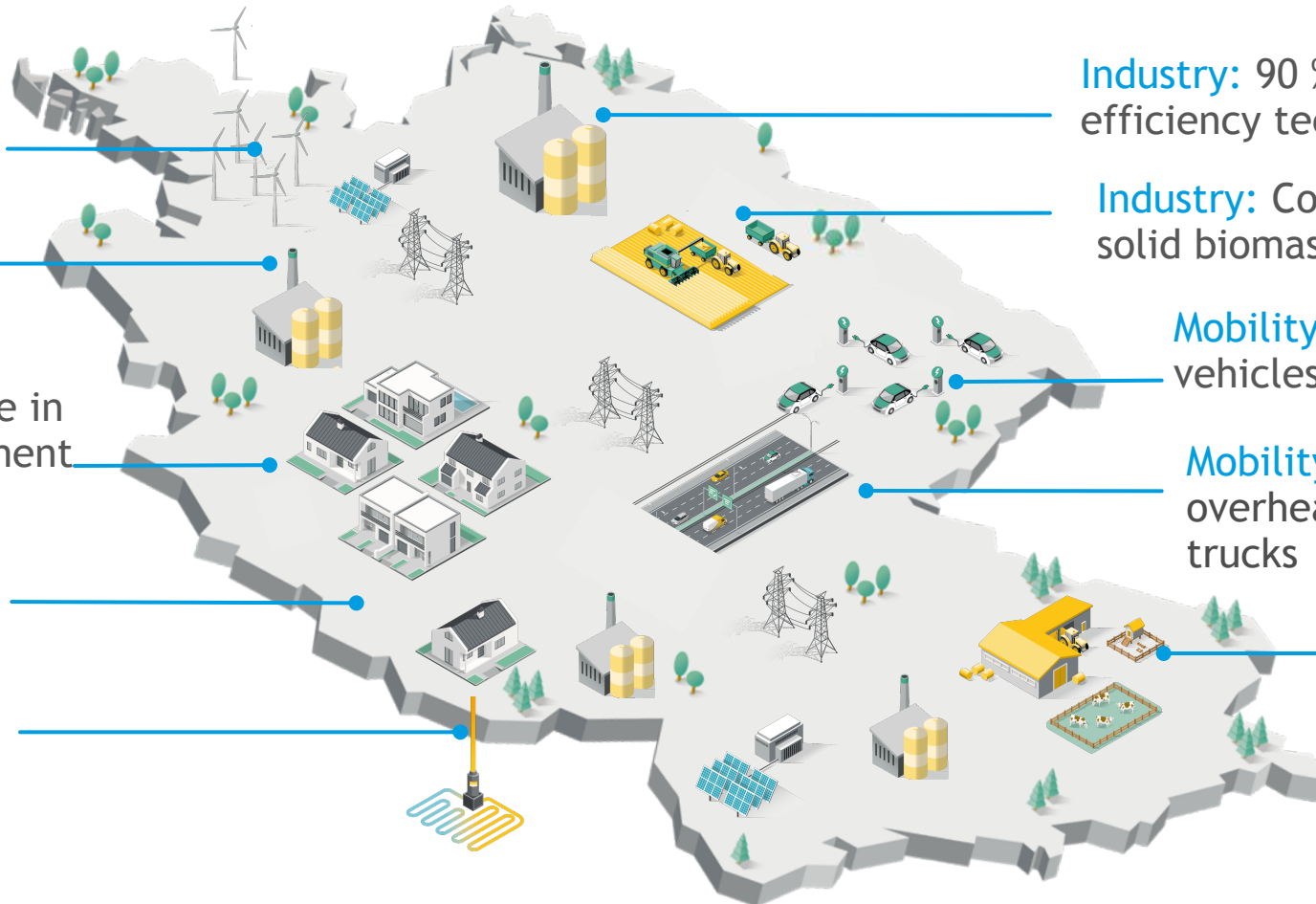
**Energy:** 240 GW wind and PV, grid extension

**Energy:** Gas gradually replaces coal in backup generation

**Buildings:** 50 % increase in the building refurbishment rate (1.7 % p. a.)

**Buildings:** Expanded urban district heating

**Buildings:** 14 mn. heat pumps, mainly in residential building stock (1 - 2 families)



**Industry:** 90 % penetration of efficiency technologies

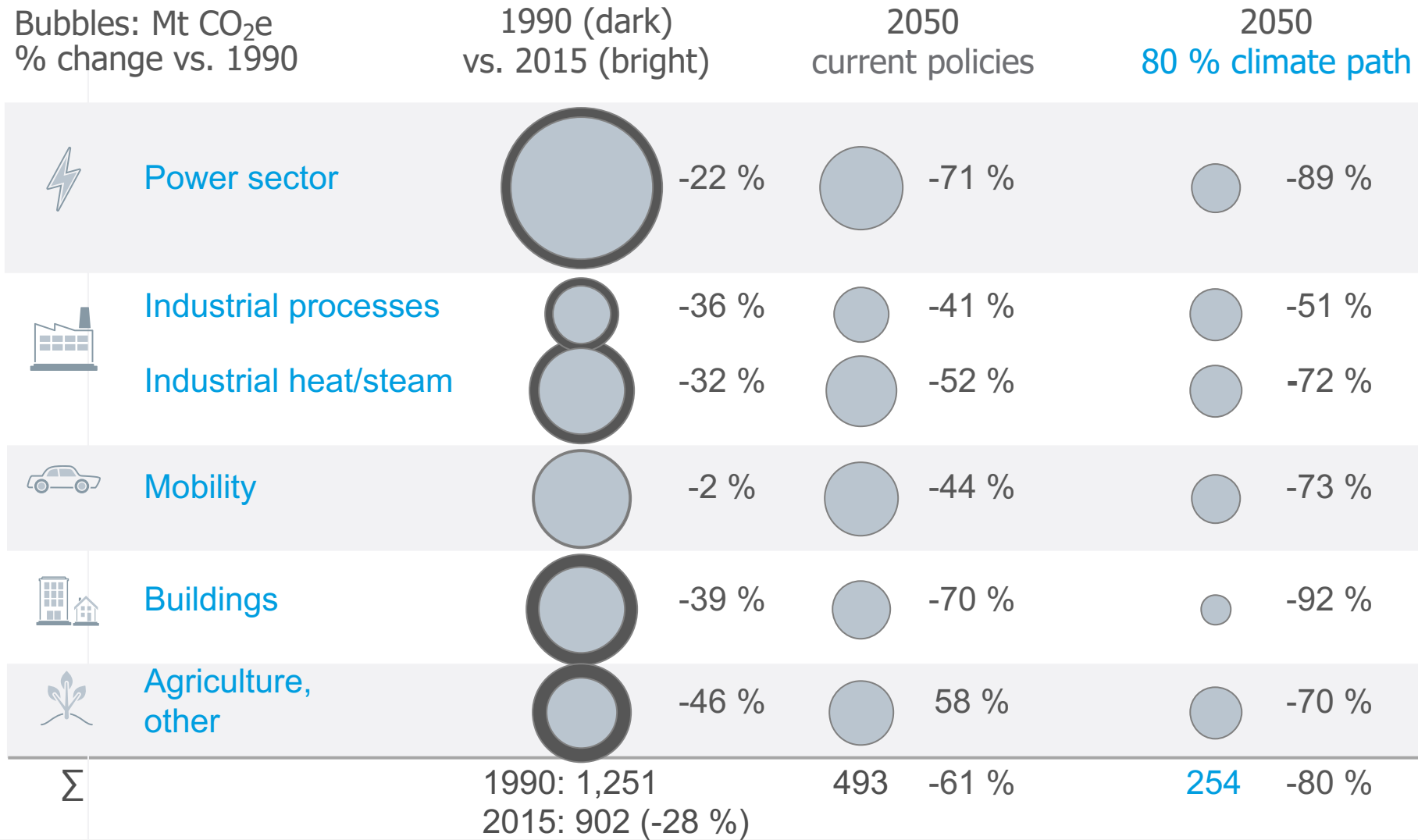
**Industry:** Concentration of national solid biomass for heat < 500°C

**Mobility:** 26 mn. electric vehicles, 2/3 of passenger cars

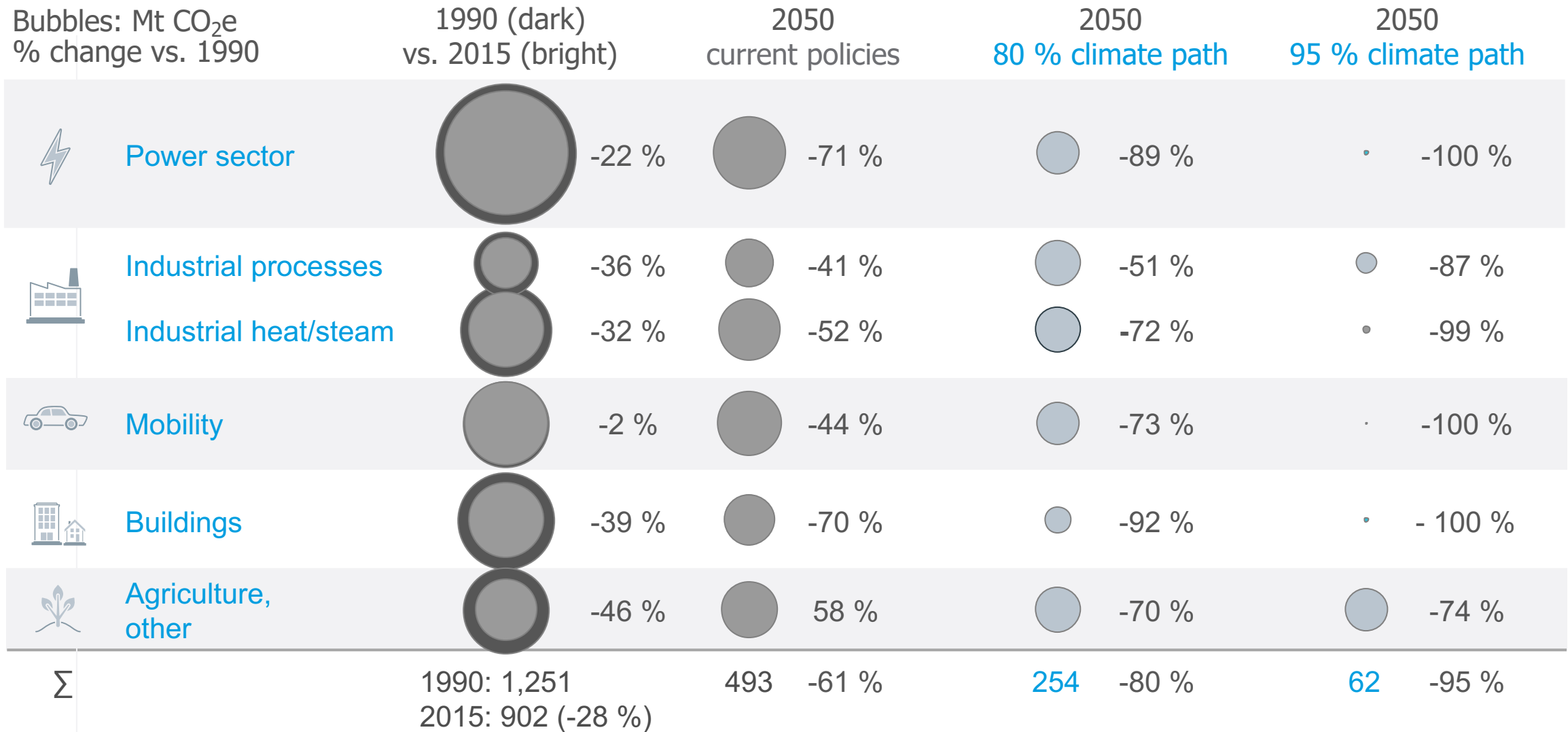
**Mobility:** 4.000 km of electric overhead lines for highway trucks

**Farming:** More efficient use of fertilizers

# 80 % path: sectors deliver diverse reductions



# 95 % path requires zero emissions in most sectors



# 95 % path to breach technical feasibility, social acceptance

**340 TWh Imports**  
„renewable fuels“  
(PtL, PtG)

**Energy: 295 GW** wind  
and PV, grid extension

**Energy: 100 %** renewable  
with PtG, gas-grid as  
seasonal storage

**Buildings: 70 %** increase in  
the building refurbishment  
rate  
(1.9 % p. a.)

**Buildings: Heating free** of  
fossil fuels (through 16 mn.  
heat pumps and 100 %  
renewable district heating)

**Industry: ... produces** with recycled  
carbon from biomass incineration

**Industry: 100 %** renewable heat /  
steam through biogas and PtG ...

**Mobility: 33 mn.** electric  
vehicles, 4/5 of passenger cars

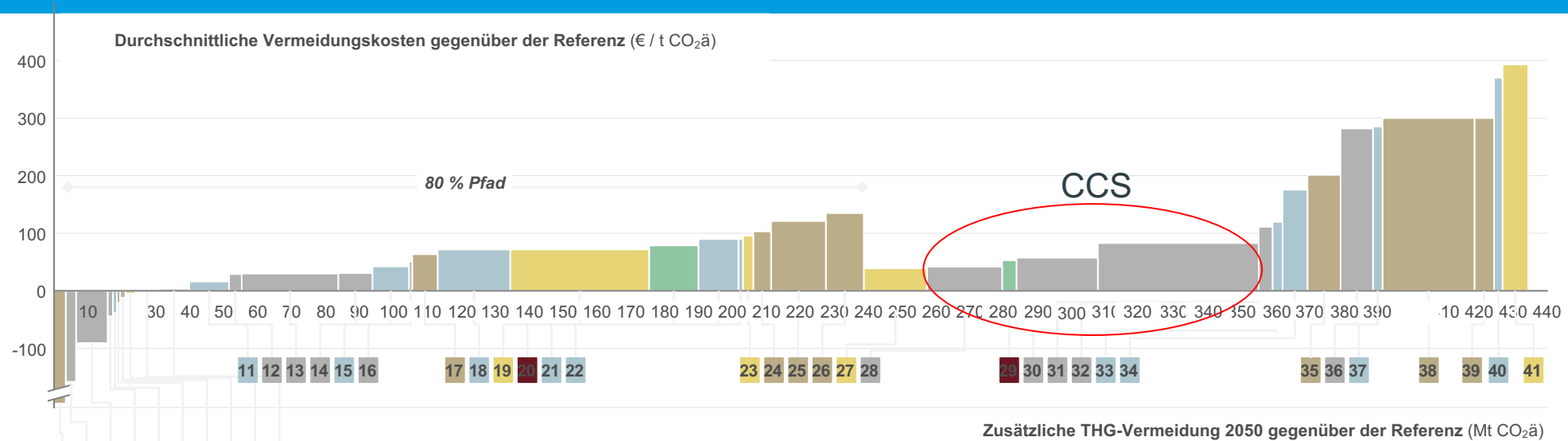
**Mobility: 8.000 km** of electric  
overhead lines for highway  
trucks

**Farming: „methane**  
pill“ for cattle  
population

**Carbon Capture and  
Storage** for steel, cement,  
ammonia, refineries,  
waste combustion

PtL = Power-to-Liquid, PtG = Power-to-Gas  
All figures refer to 2050

# Marginal cost of avoiding GHG up to 400 € / t CO<sub>2</sub> to reach 95 % target



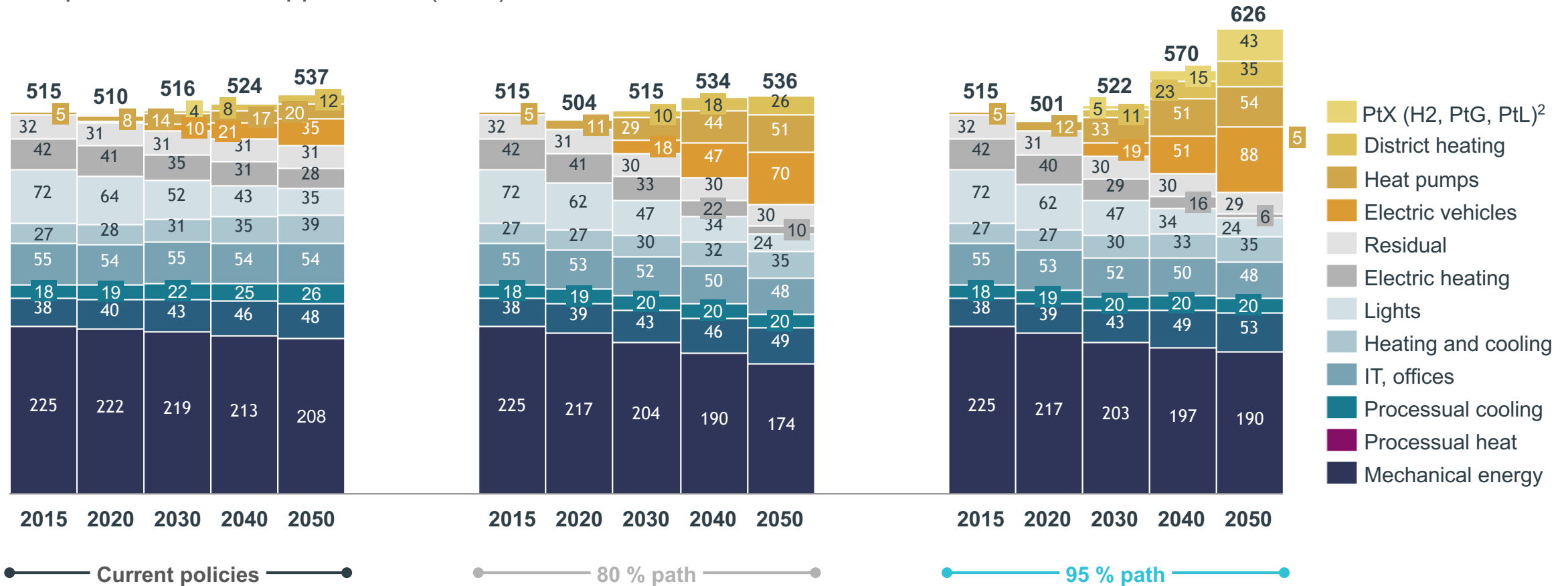
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| 1  | Verkehrsträgerverlagerung (Schiene, Schiff, Bus)                                   | 15 | Ausbau der Fernwärme  | 30 | "Methanpille" und weitere Maßnahmen Landwirtschaft                         |
| 2  | Energieeffizienz durch Einsatz von IE3-/IE4-Motoren und Frequenzumrichter          | 16 | Neue bzw. modernere Öfen und Mahlanlagen bei Zement- und Kalkproduktion | 31 | "Post-Combustion"-CCS bei Raffinerien und Gichtgas-Verstromung             |
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THG-Vermeidung bezieht sich auf verursachte Emissionen 2050 und stellt die Abweichung gegenüber den THG-Emissionen der Referenz in 2050 dar. Vermeidungskosten zeigen direkte volkswirtschaftliche Vermeidungskosten. Sie ergeben sich aus kumulierter THG-Vermeidung 2016-2050, kumulierten Kosten und Einsparungen 2016-2050 und sind auf das Jahr 2015 diskontiert. Investitionen sind mit volkswirtschaftlichem Realzinssatz von 2 % annuisiert. Stromkosten wurden in allen Sektoren mit Systemkosten, Importe mit Grenzübergangspreisen bewertet. Quelle: BCG



# Net power demand significantly rises in 95 % path

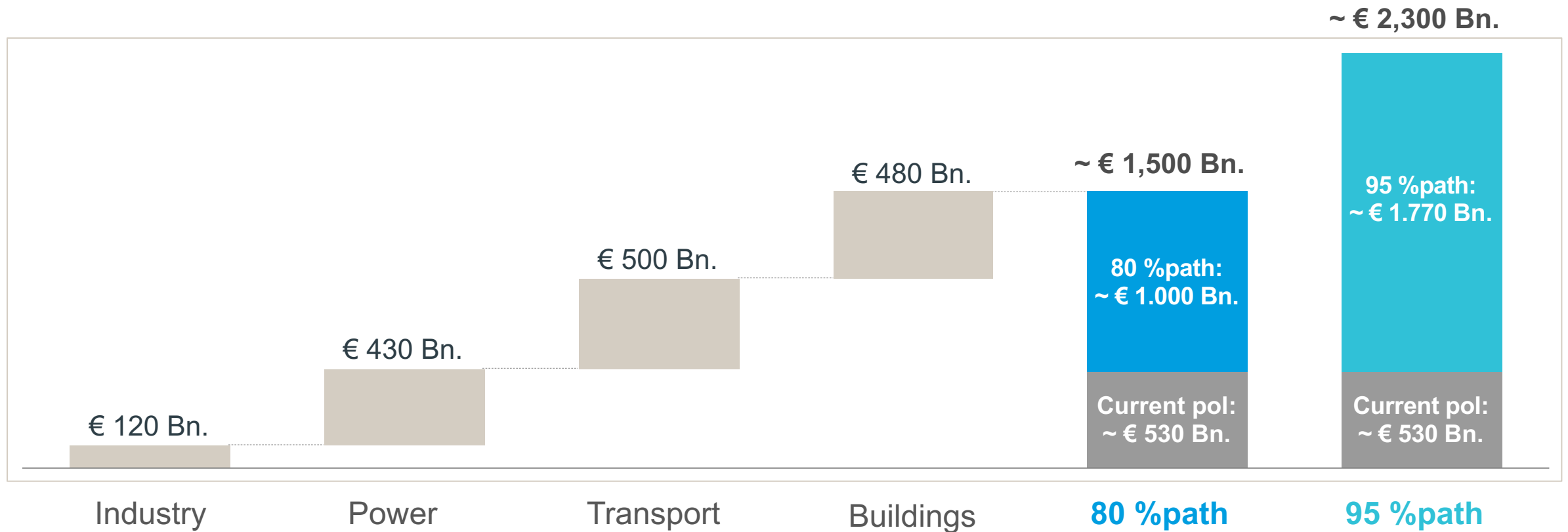
Net power demand, applications (TWh)





# Additional investments of € 1,500 to € 2,300 bn. until 2050

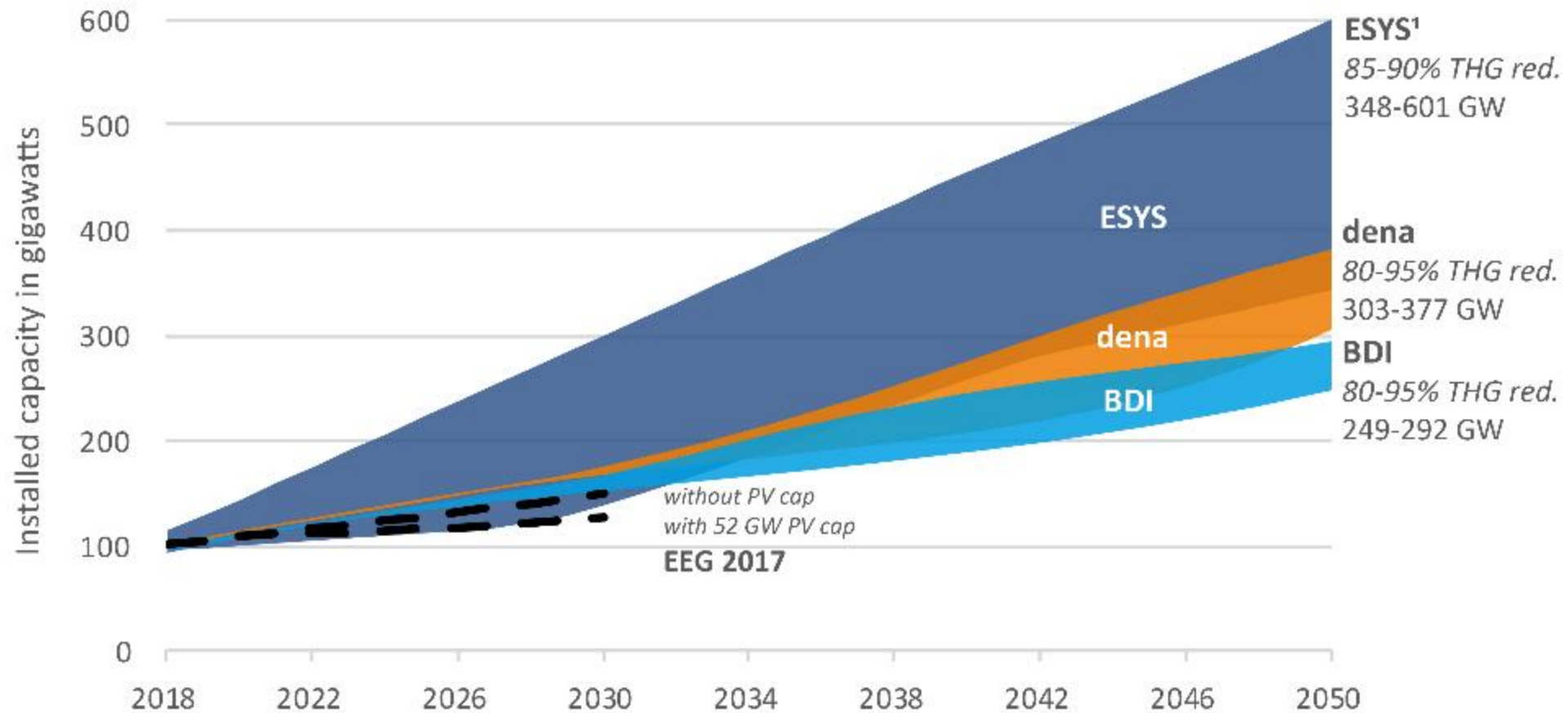
Cumulative marginal investments until 2050 (vs. scenario without GHG reduction efforts)



# Key Results from a Comparison of Three Studies on Transition Scenarios

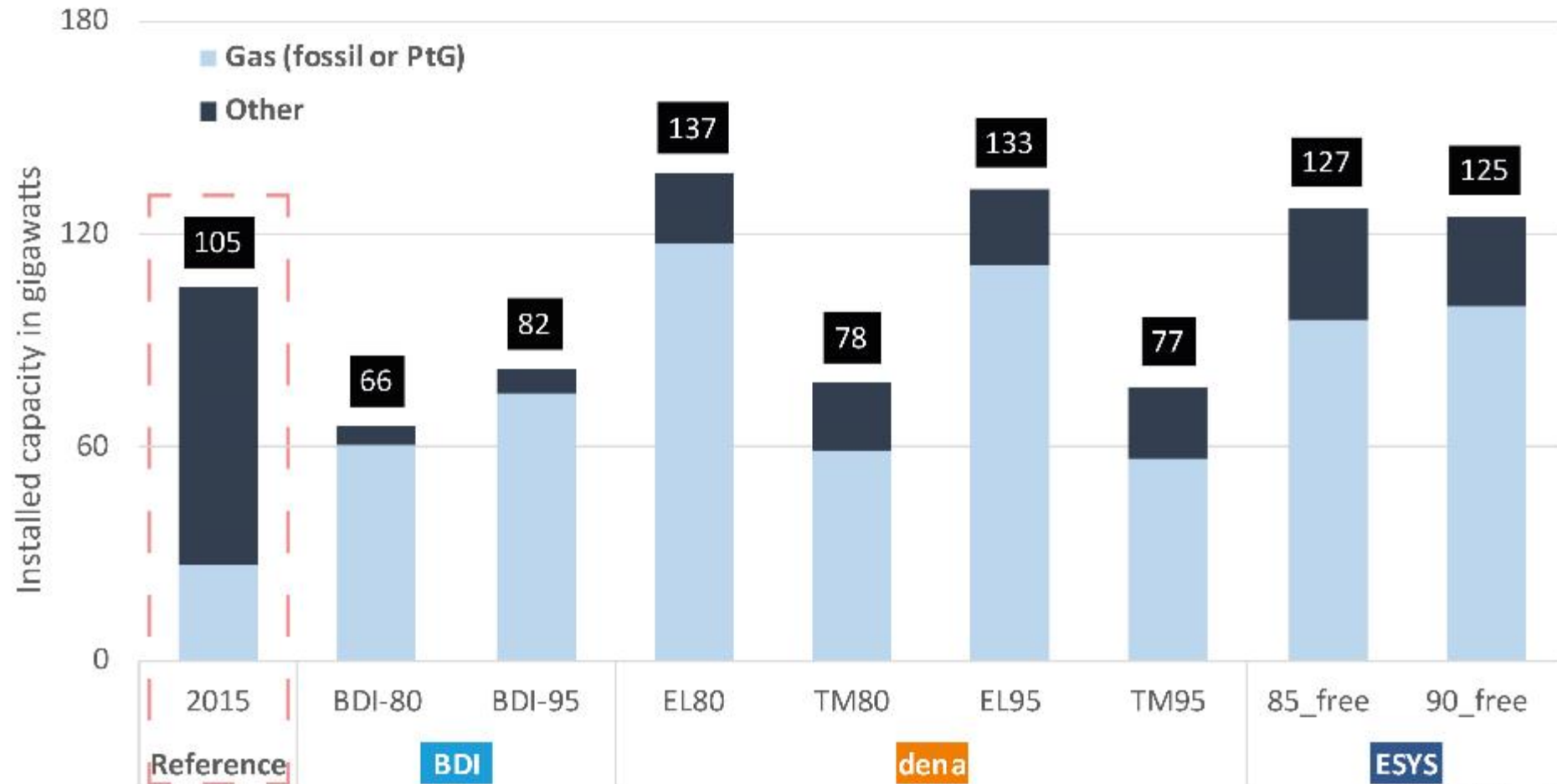
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# Expansion of wind and PV systems in Germany

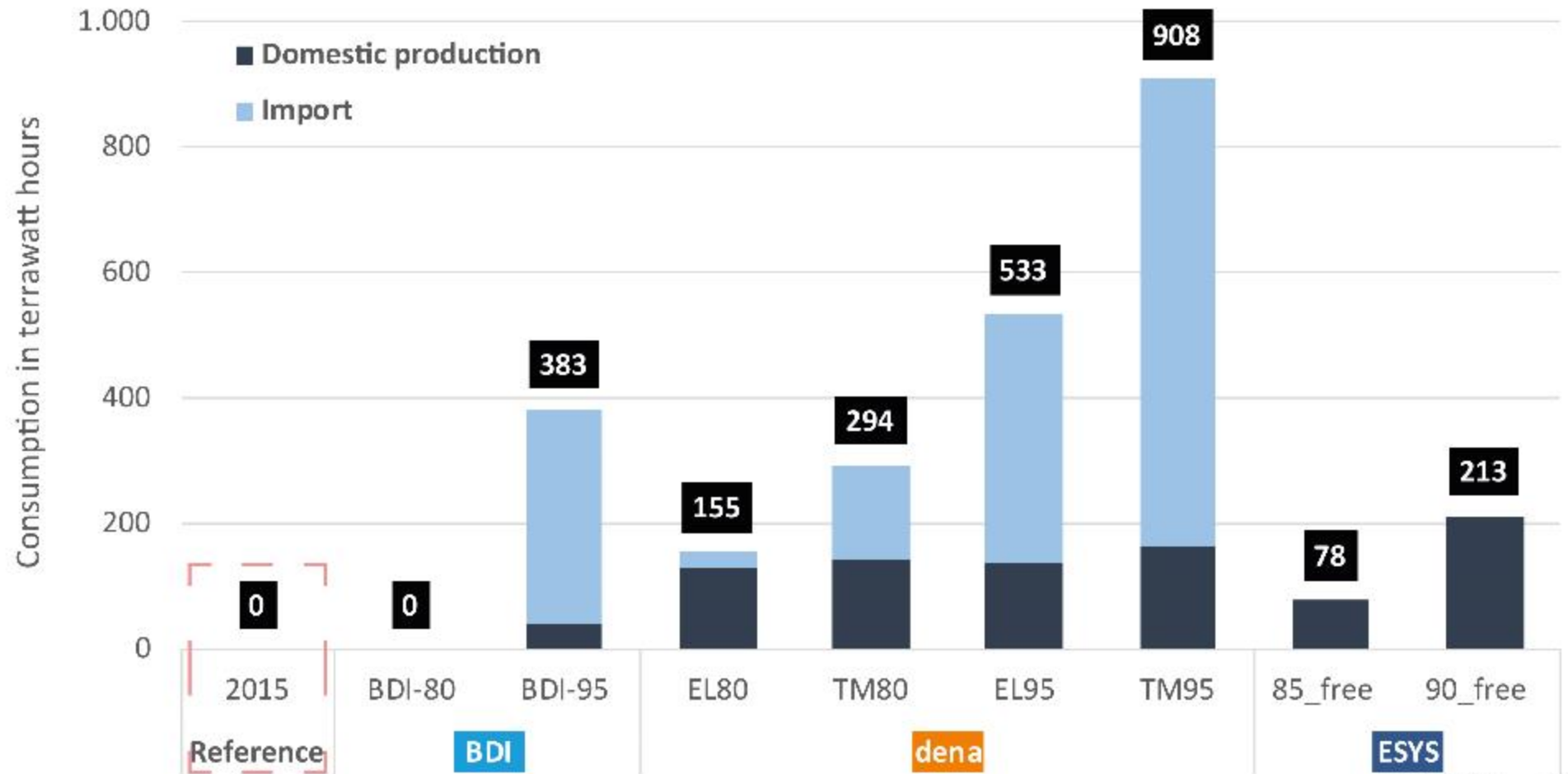


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# Dispatchable power generation capacity in Germany 2050

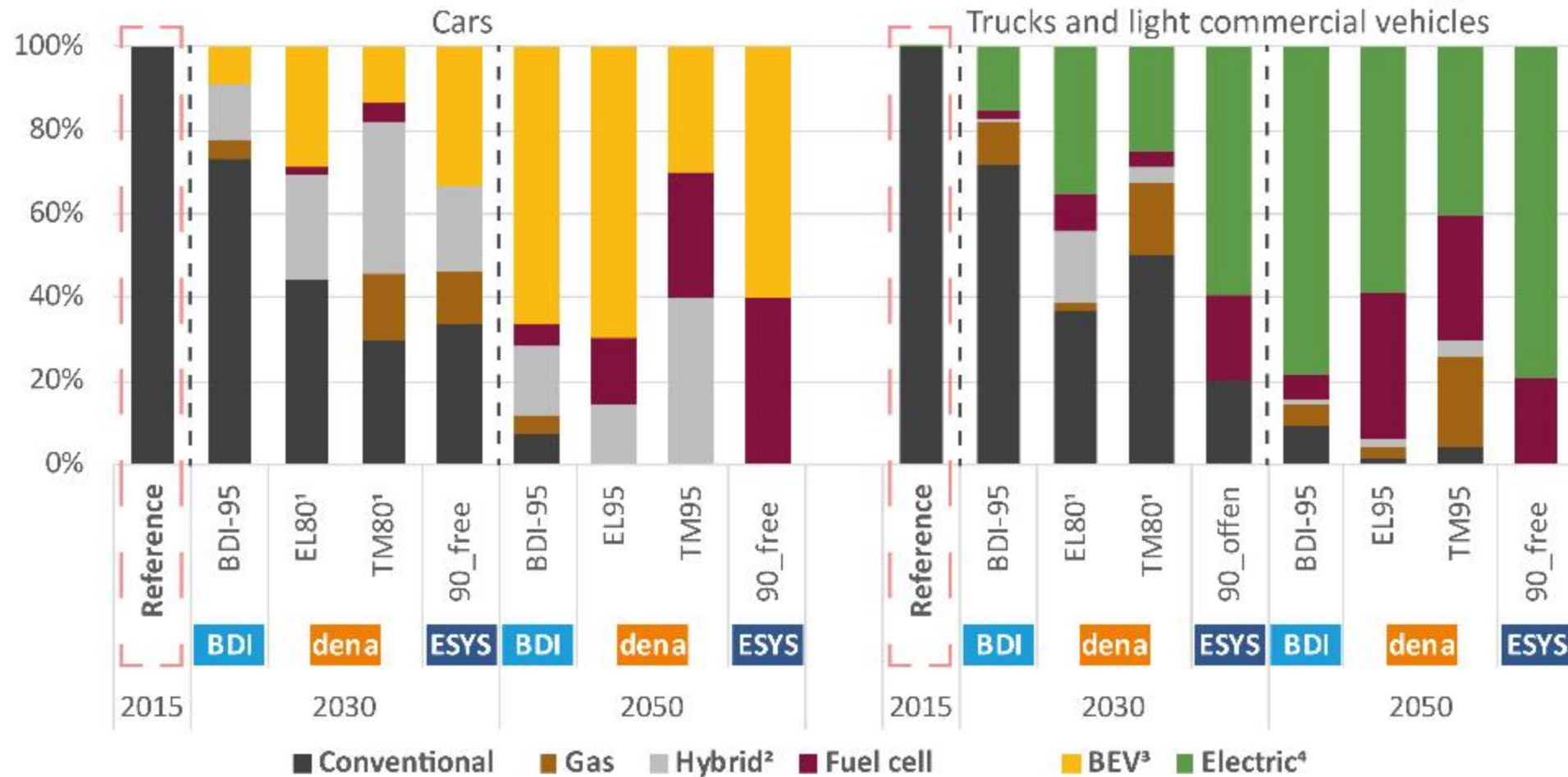


# Use of synthetic energy carriers in Germany 2050



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# Proportion of drive types in road-based transport to 2050

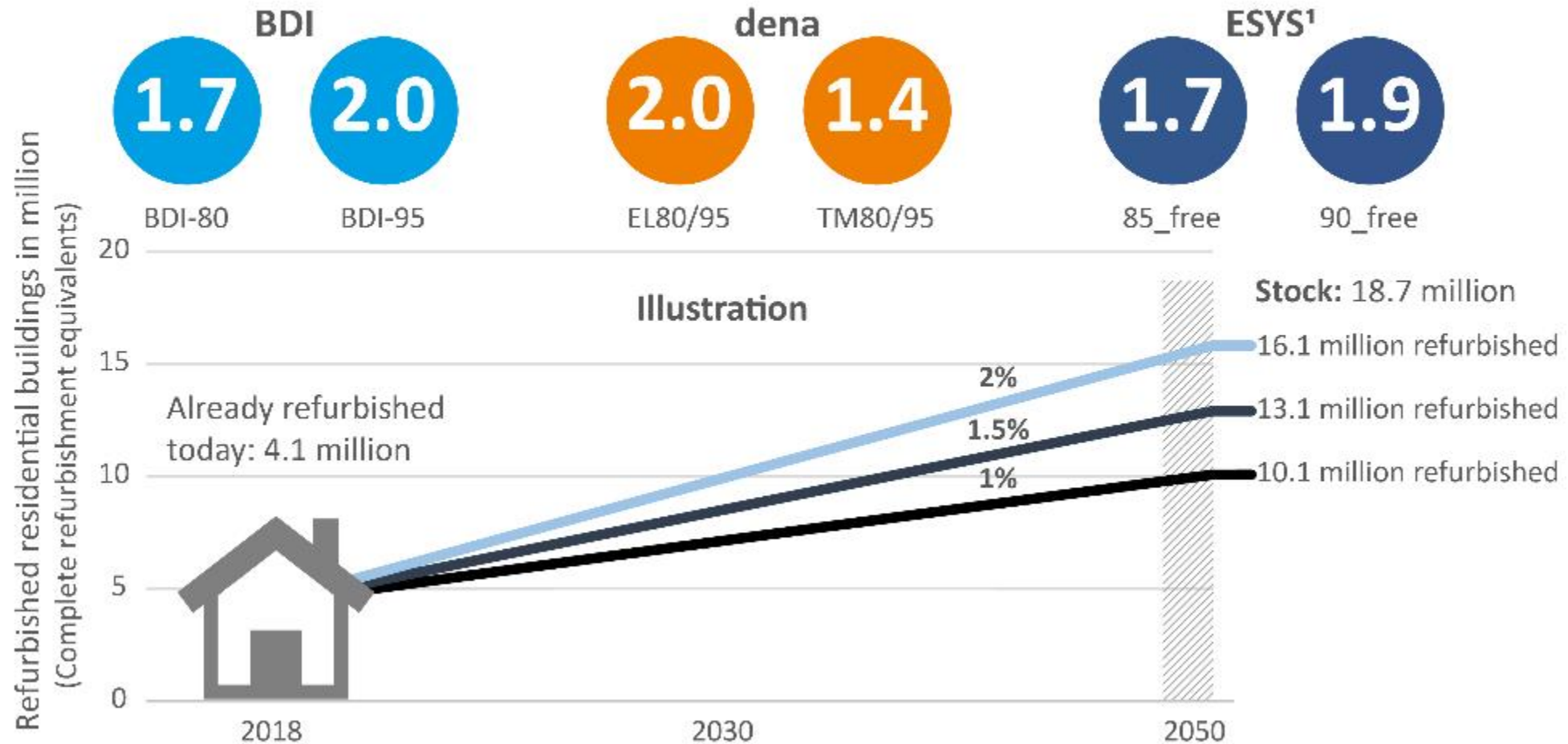


<sup>1</sup>Up until 2030, the dena study does not differentiate between the 80% and the 95% path. <sup>2</sup>Plug-in hybrids (conventional and gas). <sup>3</sup>Battery electric vehicles. <sup>4</sup>BEV and overhead line.

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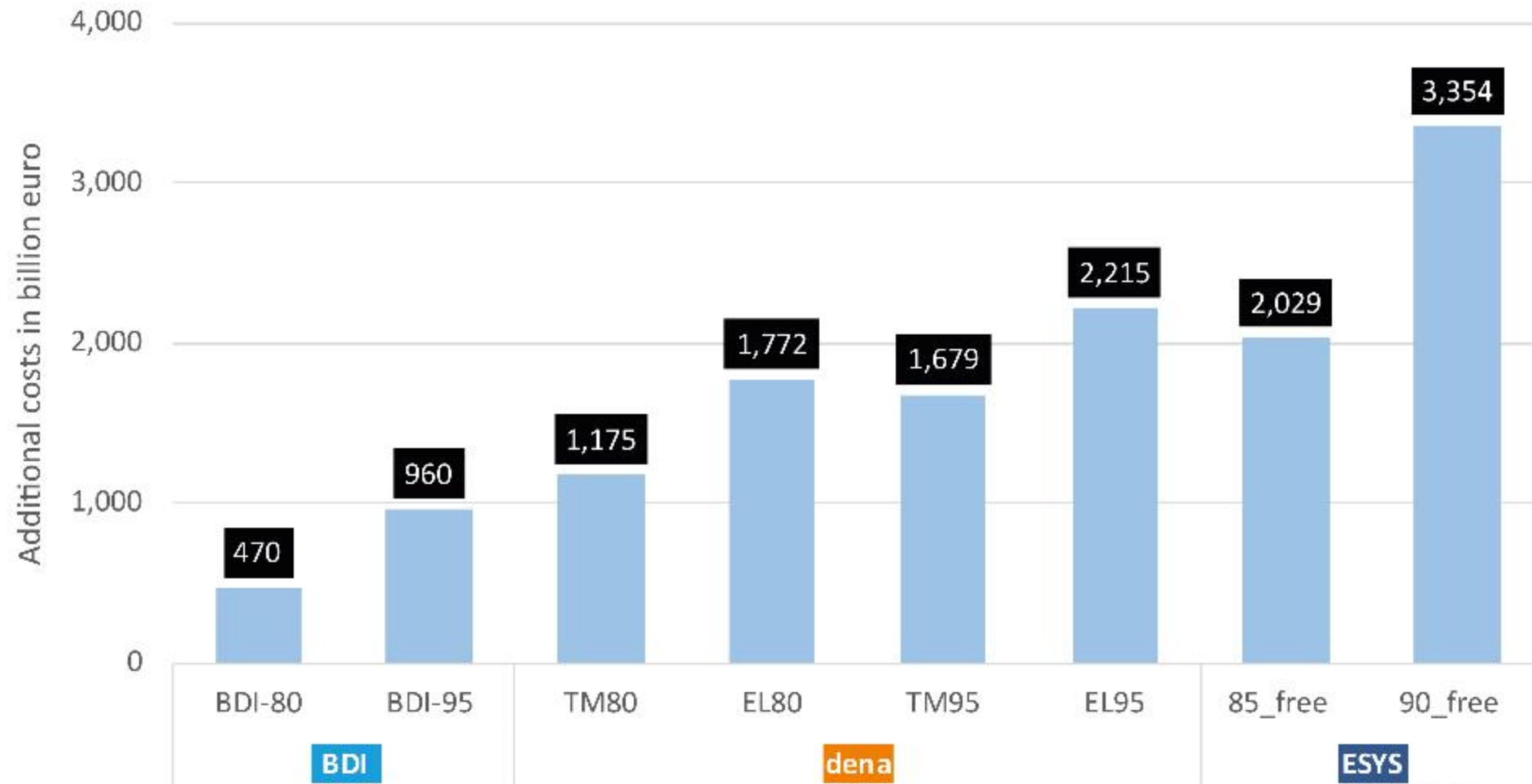


# Necessary refurbishment for residential buildings to 2050



<sup>1</sup>The refurbishment rates in the two ESYS scenarios relate to Germany's entire building stock.

# Additional costs over reference scenario to 2050



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# Key Take Aways

Investment requirements are high but not insurmountable

High investment costs but also high potential benefits  
→ additional incentives needed to bridge the investment gap

**Policy mix required:** Carbon pricing as backbone of climate policies needs to be complemented by especially infrastructure and innovation policy

Don't think of 2030 (only), **think of 2050!**

**Uncertainty vs commitment:** Avoid infrastructure lock-in but also costs of procrastination

95% (or net zero) requires **global efforts!**

# Electrical storage systems and flexible loads in Germany 2050

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Heat pumps, millions

80 to 95% GHG reduction:

BDI	14-16
dena	7-17
ESYS <sup>1</sup>	11-15



Battery storage systems, GW

80 to 95% GHG reduction:

BDI	10-23
dena	15-18
ESYS <sup>1</sup>	75-191



Power-to-X capacity, GW<sub>el</sub>

80 to 95% GHG reduction:

BDI	0-11
dena	53-63
ESYS <sup>1</sup>	77-112



BEV cars, millions

80 to 95% GHG reduction:

BDI	21-28
dena	12-30
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<sup>1</sup>In the ESYS study: 85-90% GHG reduction in the energy system.



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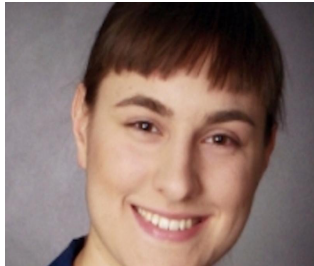


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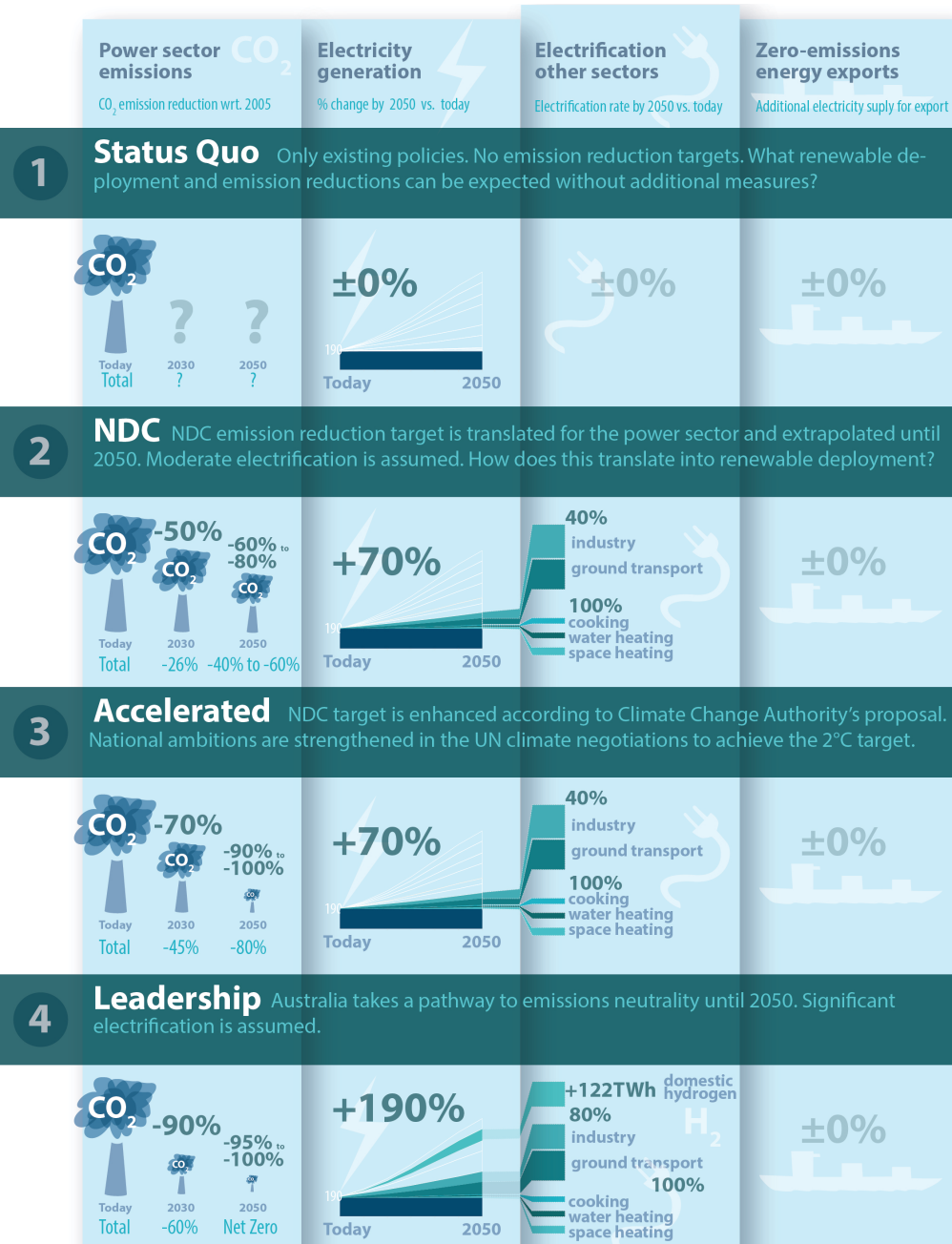
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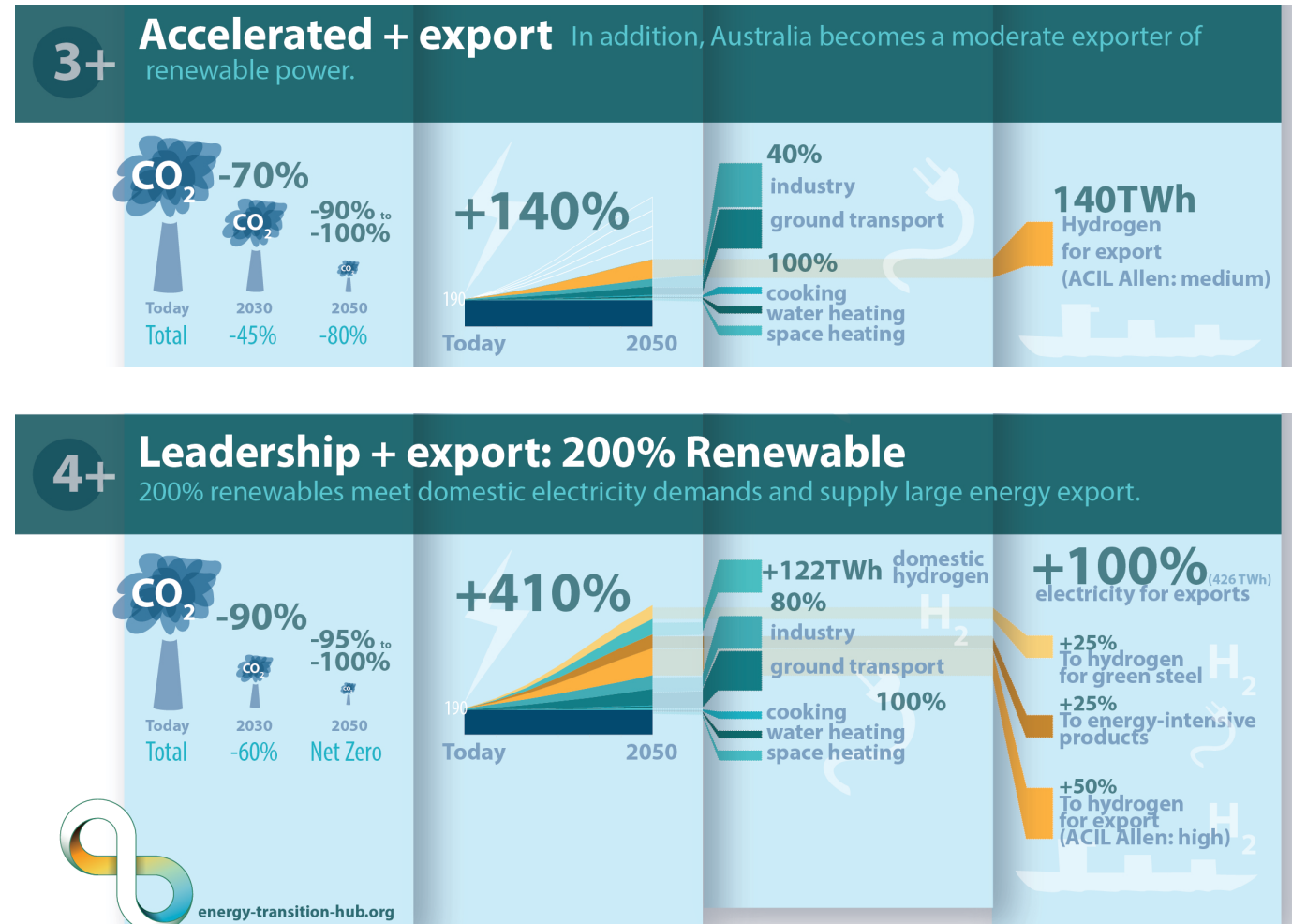
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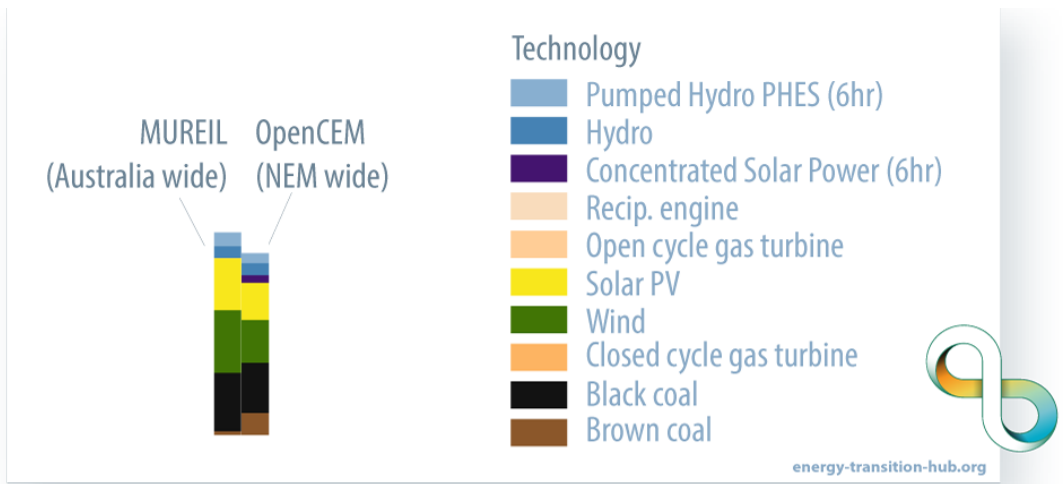
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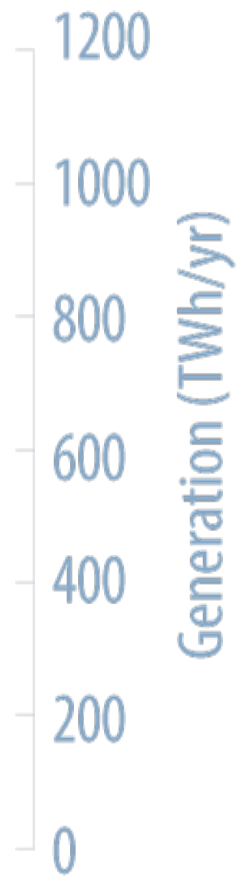
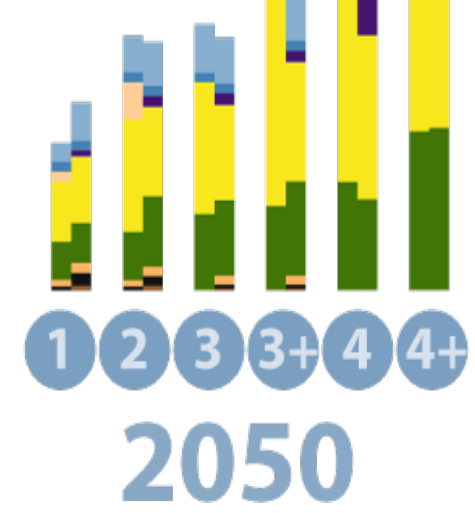
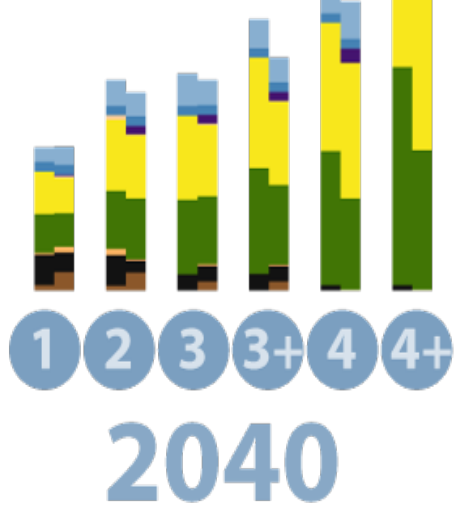
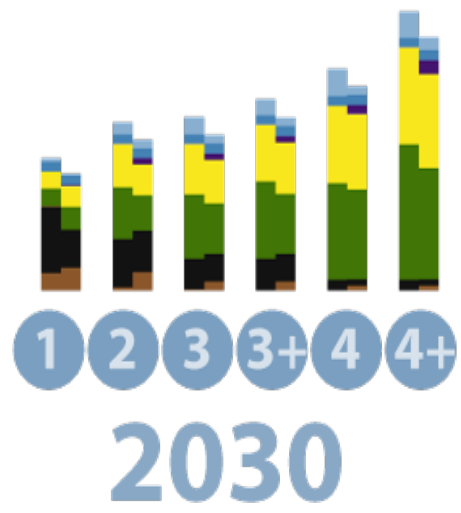
## Six scenarios span a range of assumptions on emission reduction, electrification and energy export



# Main result 1: Solar PV and wind power dominate Australia's electricity future



Even without climate policy:  
 electricity emissions reduce by  
 40-48% in 2030 (rel. to 2005).  
 → close to meeting  
 cross-sectoral NDC target

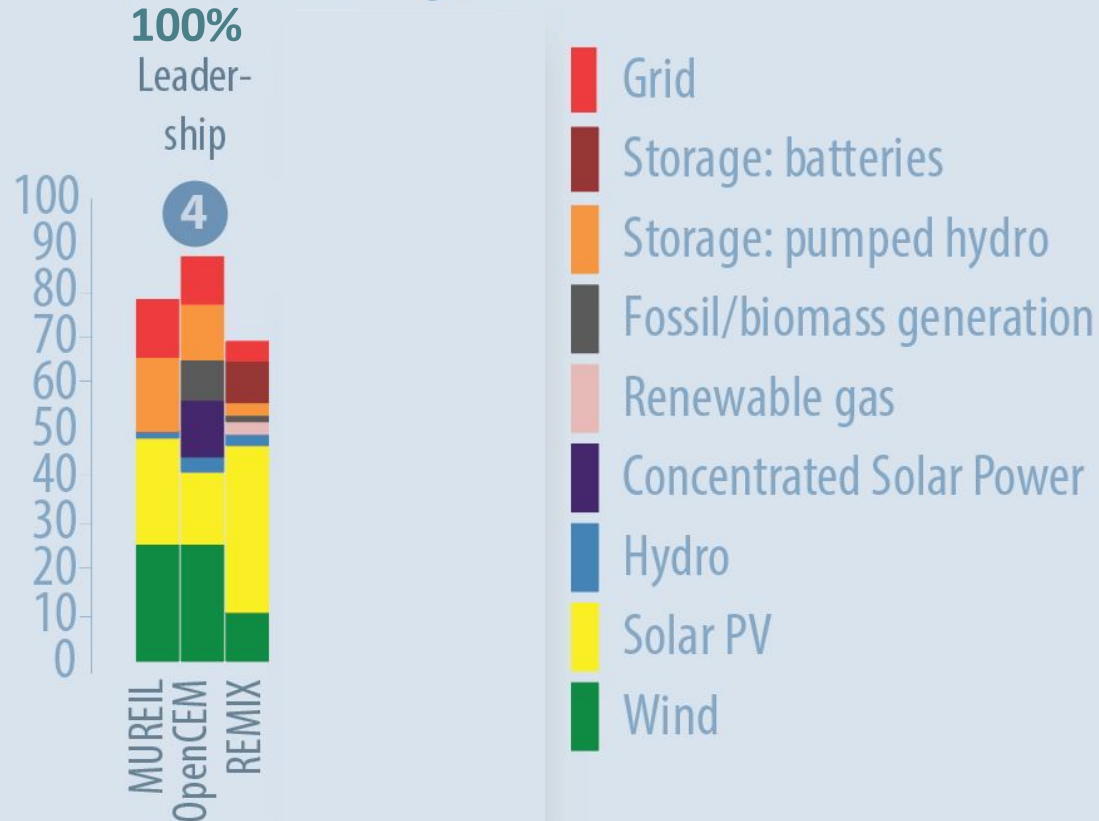




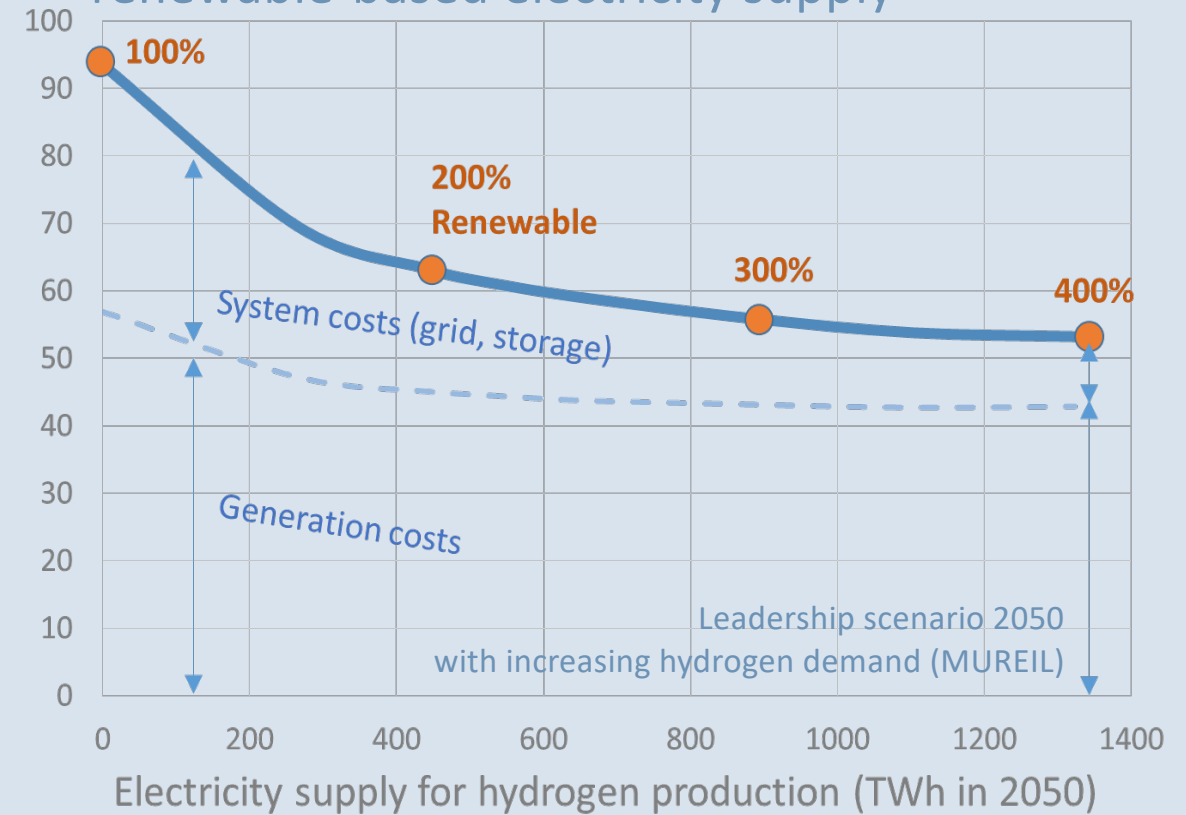
# Main result 2: Renewable-based system costs are similar or lower than today

## Electricity supply costs

(2050, annual average, \$AUD/MWh)



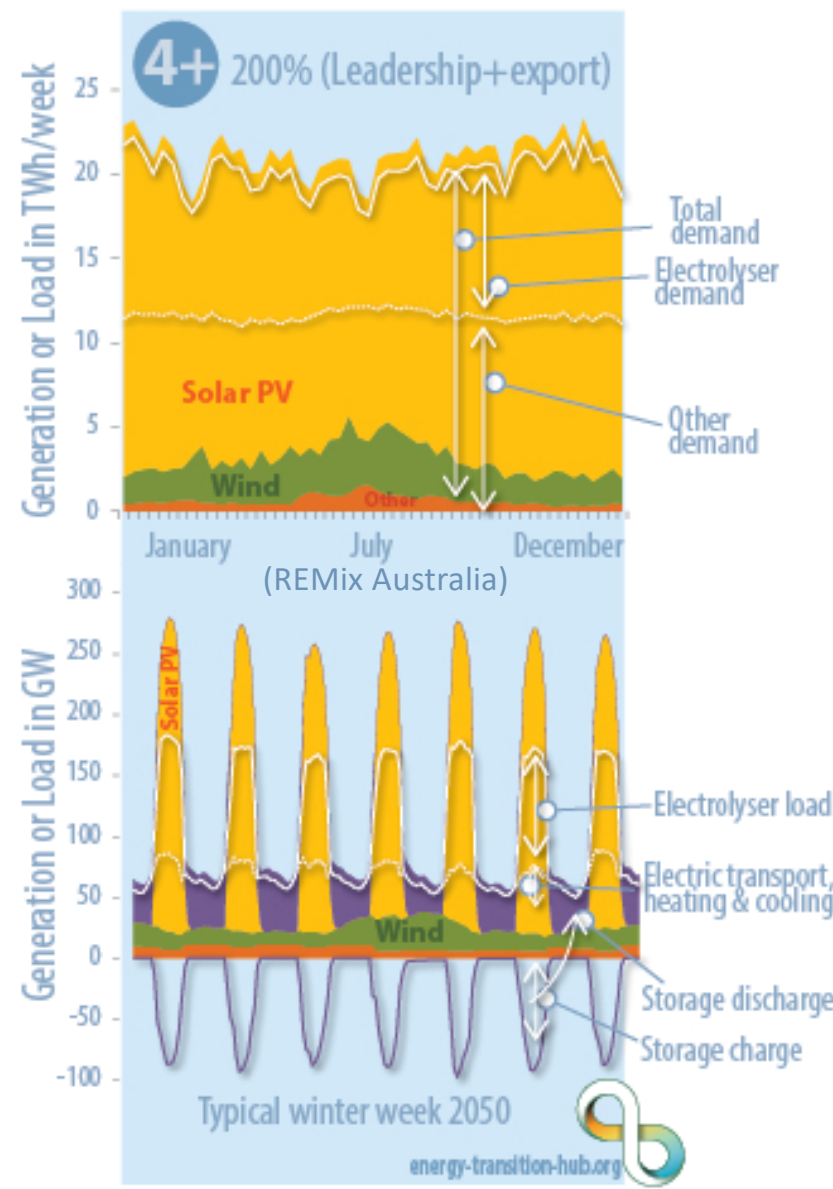
## Hydrogen production decreases the costs of renewable-based electricity supply



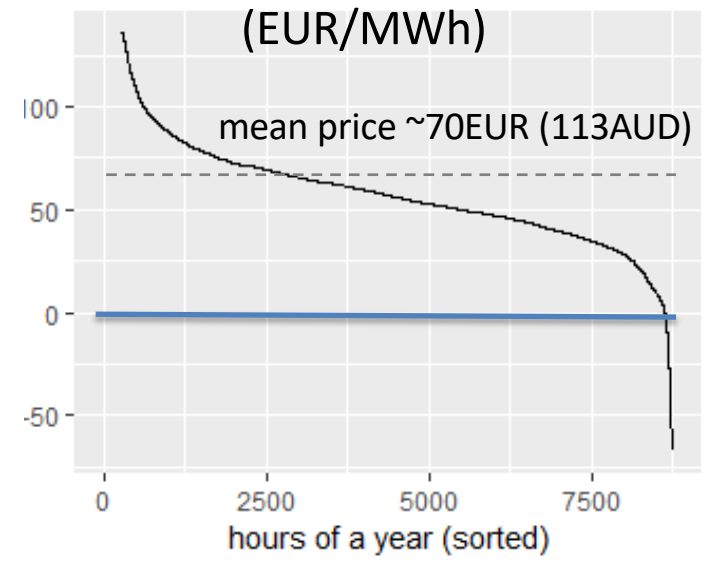
Average 2050 costs (total and by source) of supply per unit of electricity demand (domestic and export) across the scenarios and models. These long-term marginal costs comprise all costs (variable and fixed as annuities) for a 2050 equilibrium power system, while costs for hydrogen production and related infrastructure are not included. In perfect markets, these long-term marginal costs translate into average wholesale electricity prices. While average costs results are similar across models, the remaining differences are due to model-specific parameter assumptions, scope, detail and structure.



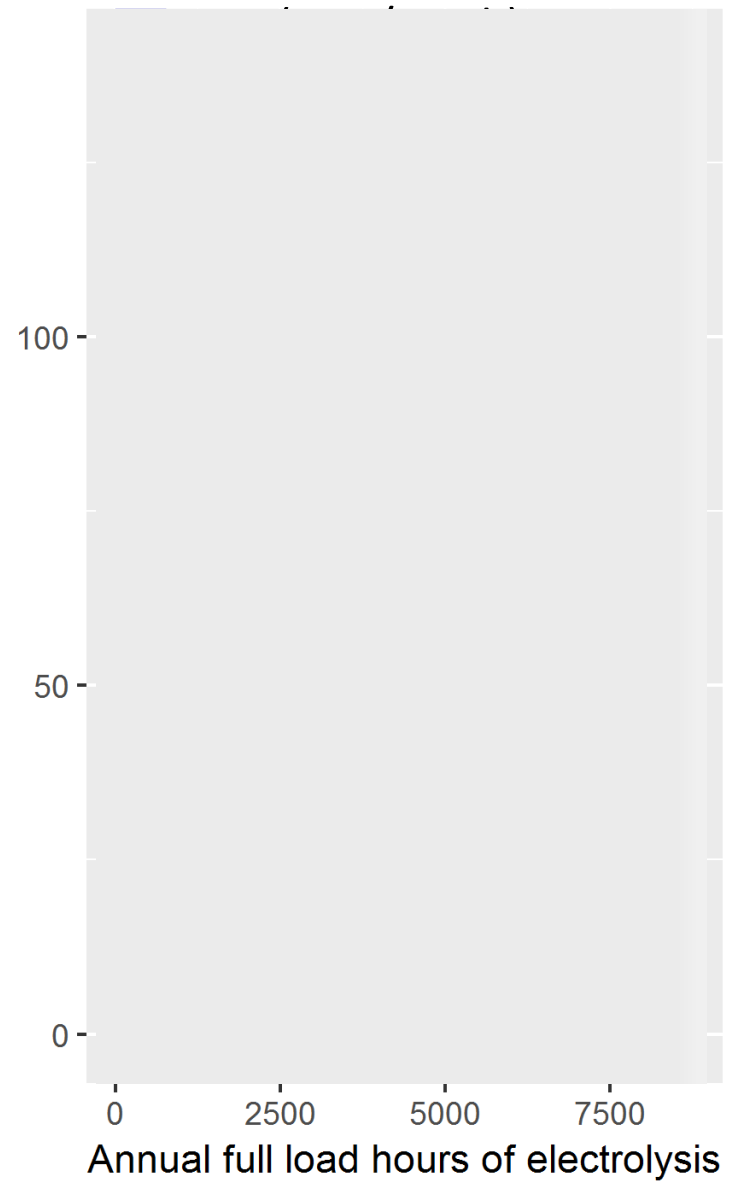
# Main result 3: hydrogen costs can be reduced with "NEM electrolysis"



2018/19 South Australia price duration curve (EUR/MWh)



Hydrogen costs as function of annual full-load hours



### Assumptions

- electrolysis: efficiency 75%, 1000 EUR/kW (1600AUD/kW)
- methanation: efficiency 80%, 200 EUR/kW (320AUD/kW)
- Lifetimes: 20 years, WACC: 5%
- Future investment costs highly uncertain
- For this figure: no hydrogen transport/storage losses and costs

# Renewable Energy and Mineral Resources

**Power-to-Heat Tech**  
i.e. electrification of industry and buildings (e.g. heat pumps, electric boilers and furnaces)

**System balancing and digitalization in renewable power systems**  
flexible demand, batteries, smart grids, ecars, vehicle-to-grid, HVDC

The global energy transition creates additional markets for **Australia's and Germany's** complementary export goods

The global renewable electricity expansion increases the value of clean tech and expertise around power system balancing, storage and sector coupling

Climate mitigation across sectors and net-zero targets increases demand for importing zero-emissions fuels such as hydrogen

**Renewable Energy**  
(hydrogen, etc.)

**Direct exports**  
(HVDC)

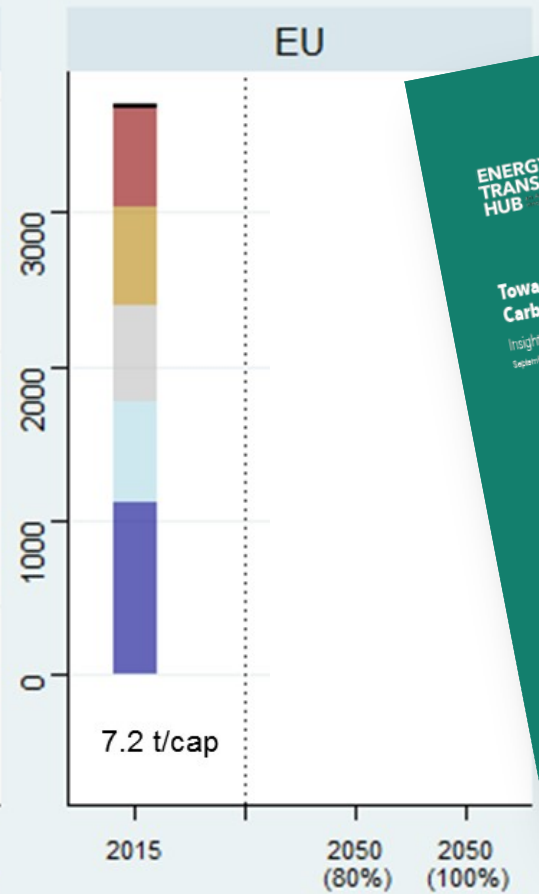
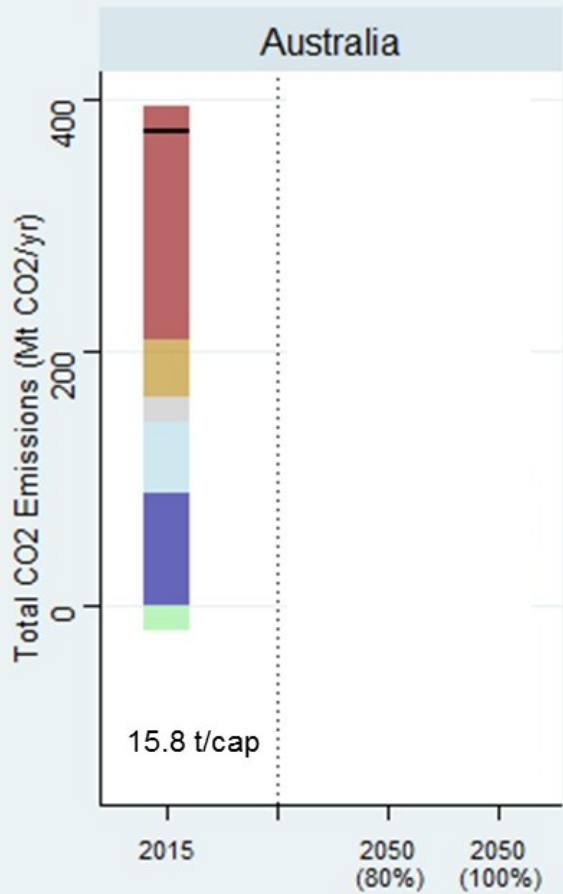
**Embodied**  
(e.g. green steel)

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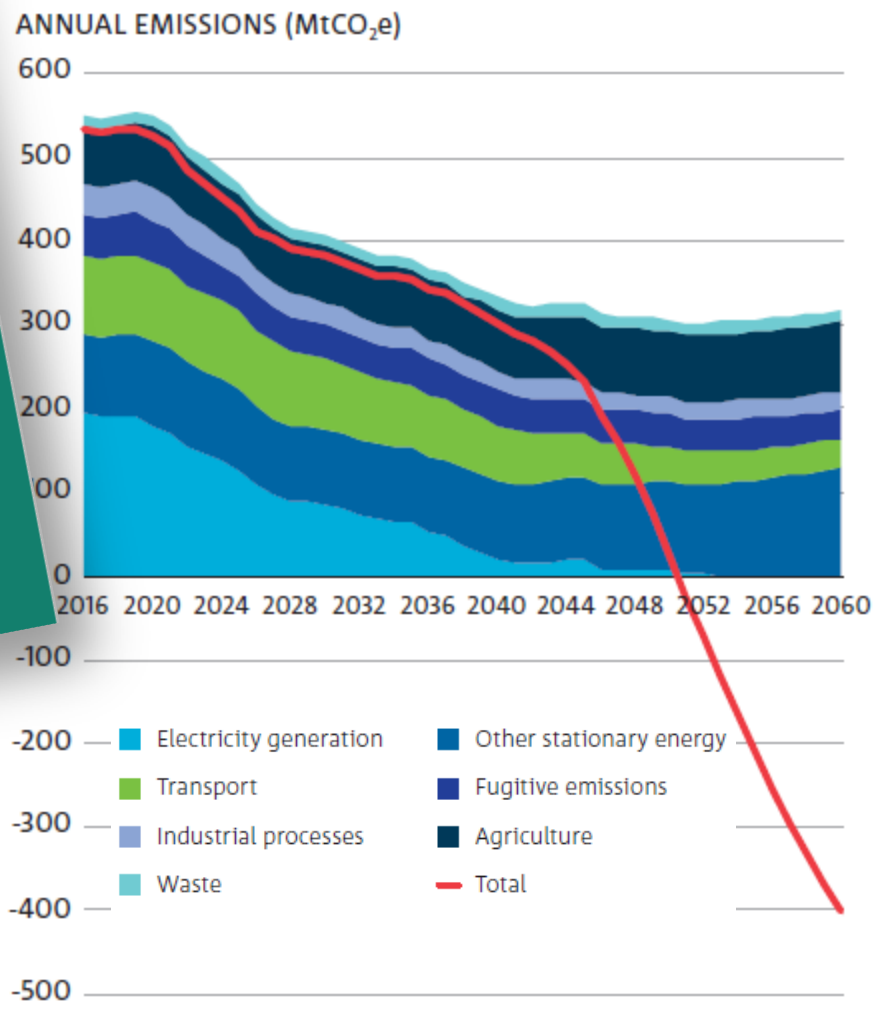


Figure 1: Germany and Australia-complementary export opportunities

# Outlook: Carbon dioxide removal could become a 2<sup>nd</sup> key advantage for Australia



## OUTLOOK VISION (cooperative global context)



Global REMIND model