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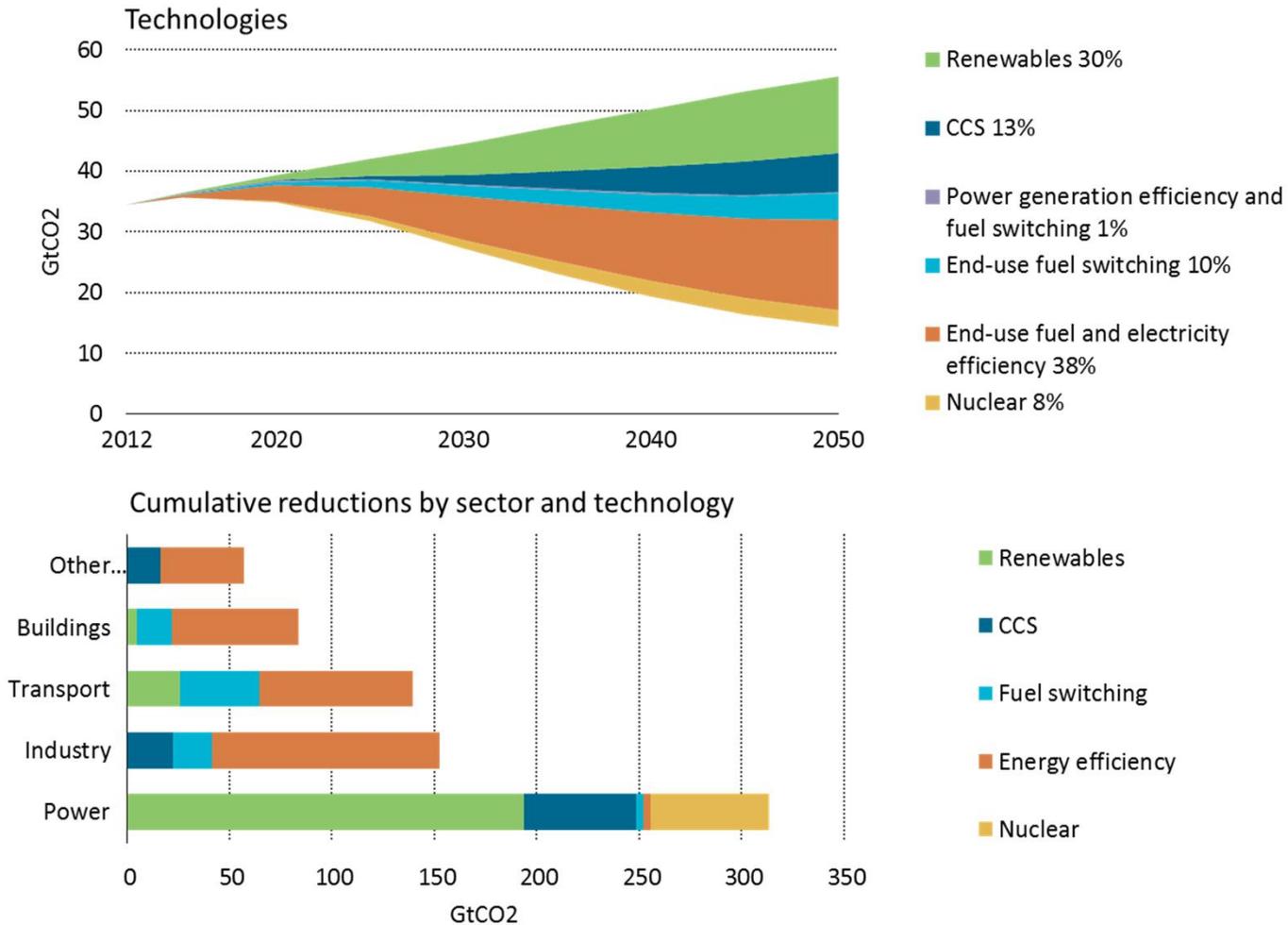
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# IEA's Scenarios

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- **Current Policies Scenario (CPS)** takes into account only the energy policies for which implementing measures have been formally adopted
- **New Policies Scenario (NPS)** is the Central scenario also account for other relevant policy intentions. This includes the INDCs (Intended Nationally Determined Contributions)
- **450 Scenario (450S) /2DS** assumes a set of policies that bring about a trajectory of greenhouse-gas emissions from the energy sector that is consistent with the international goal to limit the rise in the long-term average global temperature to two degrees Celsius

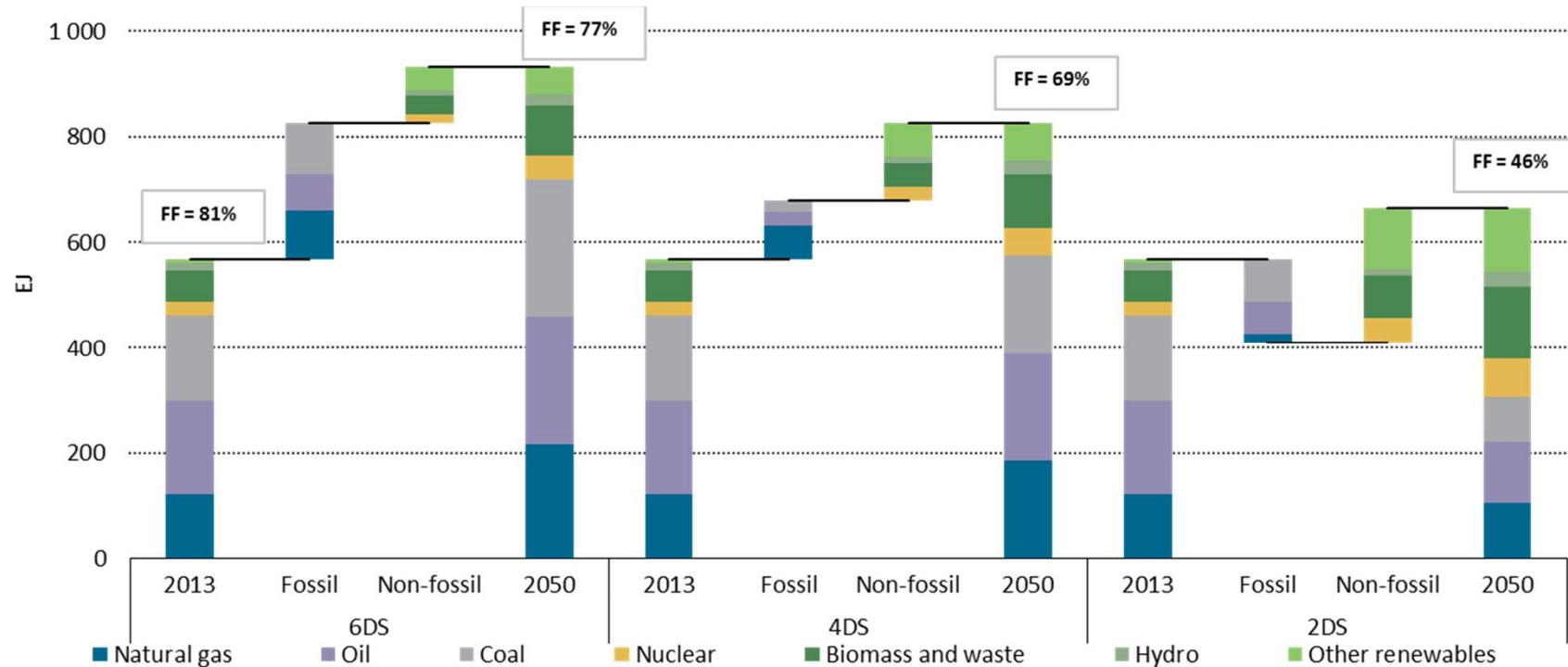
# Technologies/Decarbonization Wedges



A portfolio of technologies is needed – but some will need to target specific sectors

# The transition requires an exceptional effort

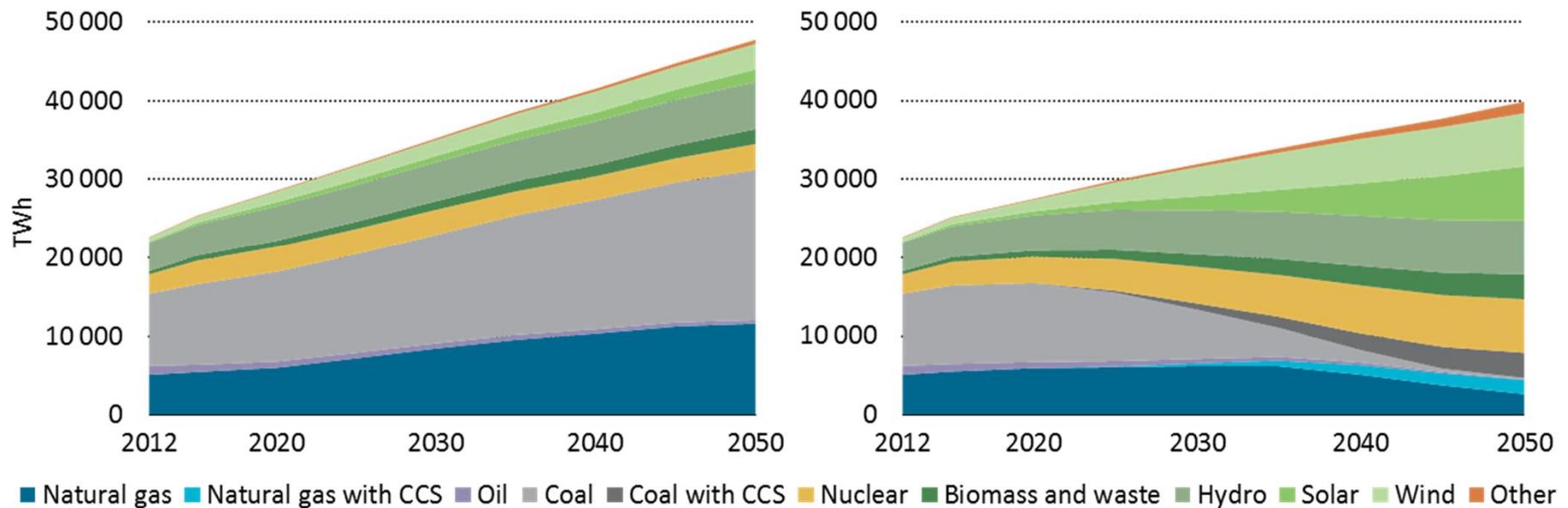
Global primary energy use by fuel, 2013-2050



Source: ETP2016 . Preliminary analysis

*Meeting the 2DS requires significant changes in energy intensity and in the fuel mix over the next three decades*

# Global electricity generation mix – a share reversal



Today fossil fuels dominate electricity generation with a 68% share of the generation mix; by 2050 in the 2DS, renewables reach an almost similar share of 63%.

# 2015: The start of a new energy era?

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- **Adoption of SDG-7 at the United Nations in September 2015**
- **2015 has seen lower prices for all fossil fuels**
  - “ Oil & gas could face second year of falling upstream investment in 2016
  - “ Coal prices remain at rock-bottom as demand slows in China
- **Signals turned green ahead of key Paris climate summit**
  - “ 2014/2015 emissions did not rise
  - “ Renewable capacity additions at two records high of 130GW in 2014/2015
  - “ Fossil-fuel subsidy reform, led by India & Indonesia, reduces the global subsidy bill below \$500 billion in 2014
  - “ Pledges of 187 countries account for 98% of energy-related emissions
- **Multiple signs of change, but are they moving the energy system in the right direction?**

## ***LONG-TERM MITIGATION GOAL***

- “ Temperature goal “well below” 2°C, with efforts **to limit to 1.5°C***
- “ To achieve the temperature goal, Parties aim to reach a peaking of global emissions as soon as possible, and to undertake rapid reductions thereafter so as to achieve a balance between emissions and removals by sinks in the second half of this century (i.e. net-zero emissions but these words were not used).*
- “ Parties are encouraged to develop and communicate national long-term low greenhouse gas development strategies.*

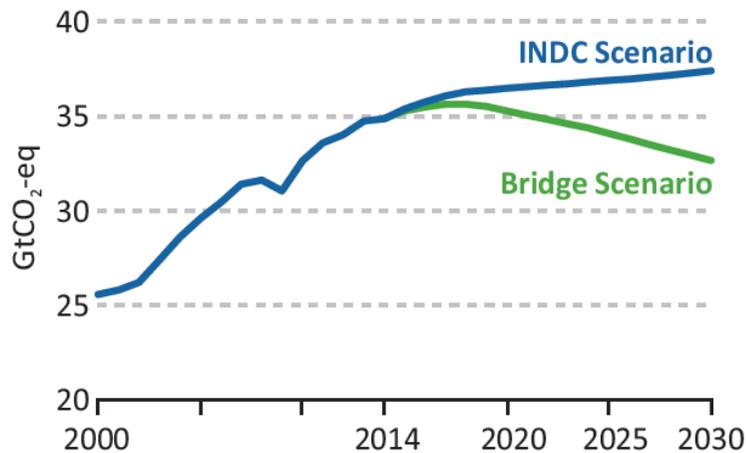
**To shift the energy sector onto a low-carbon path that supports economic growth and energy access:**

- 1. Take five key actions, led by energy efficiency and renewables, to peak then reduce global energy emissions.***
- 2. Use the Paris Agreement to drive short-term actions consistent with long-term emission goals.***
- 3. Accelerate energy technology innovation to make decarbonisation easier and even more affordable.***
- 4. Enhance energy security by making the energy sector more resilient to climate change impacts.***

# IEA messages to COP21

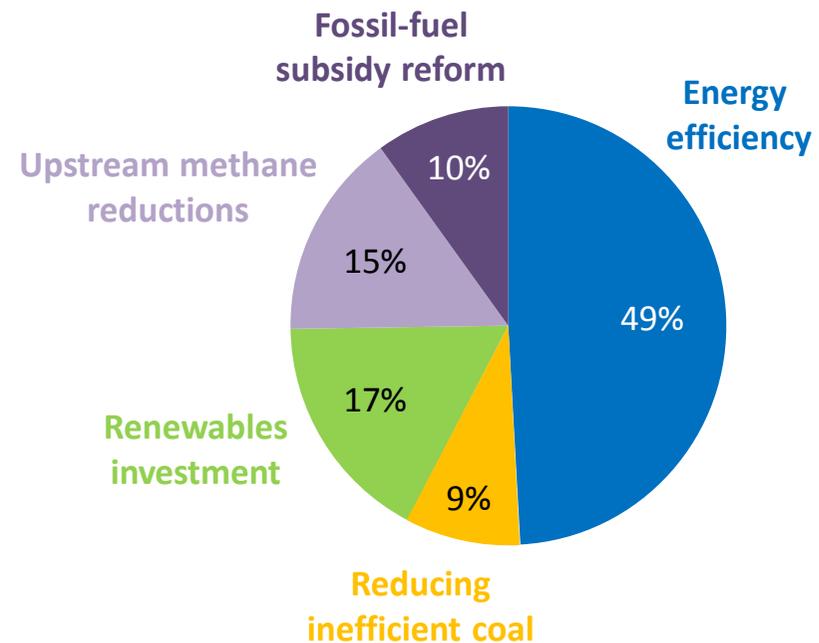
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Global energy-related GHG emissions



Source: World Energy Outlook Special Report: Energy and Climate Change (2015).

Emissions savings in the Bridge Scenario by measure, 2030



**Five measures save almost 5 Gt of emissions by 2030 & achieve a global emissions peak by 2020, without harming economic growth & using only proven technologies**

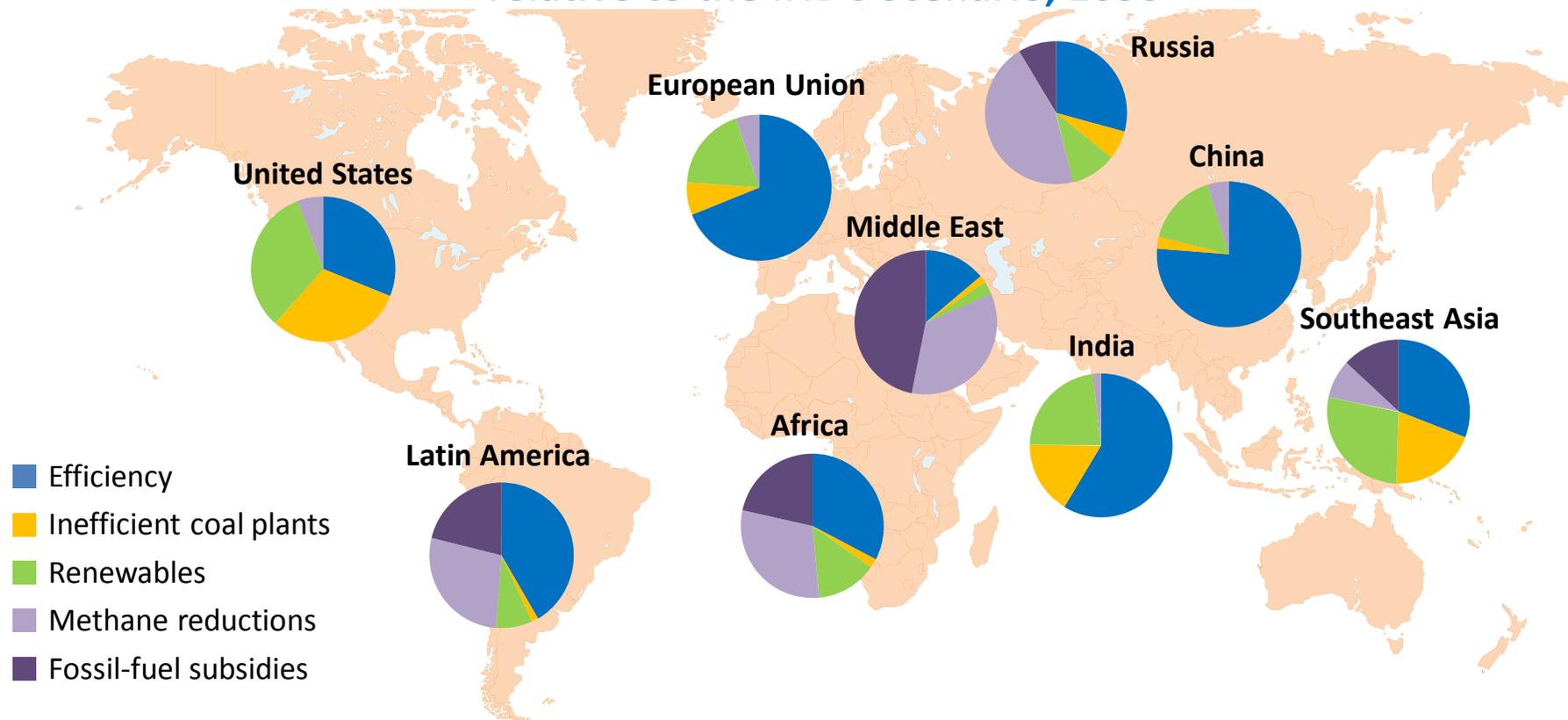


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## GHG emissions reduction by measure in the Bridge Scenario, relative to the INDC Scenario, 2030

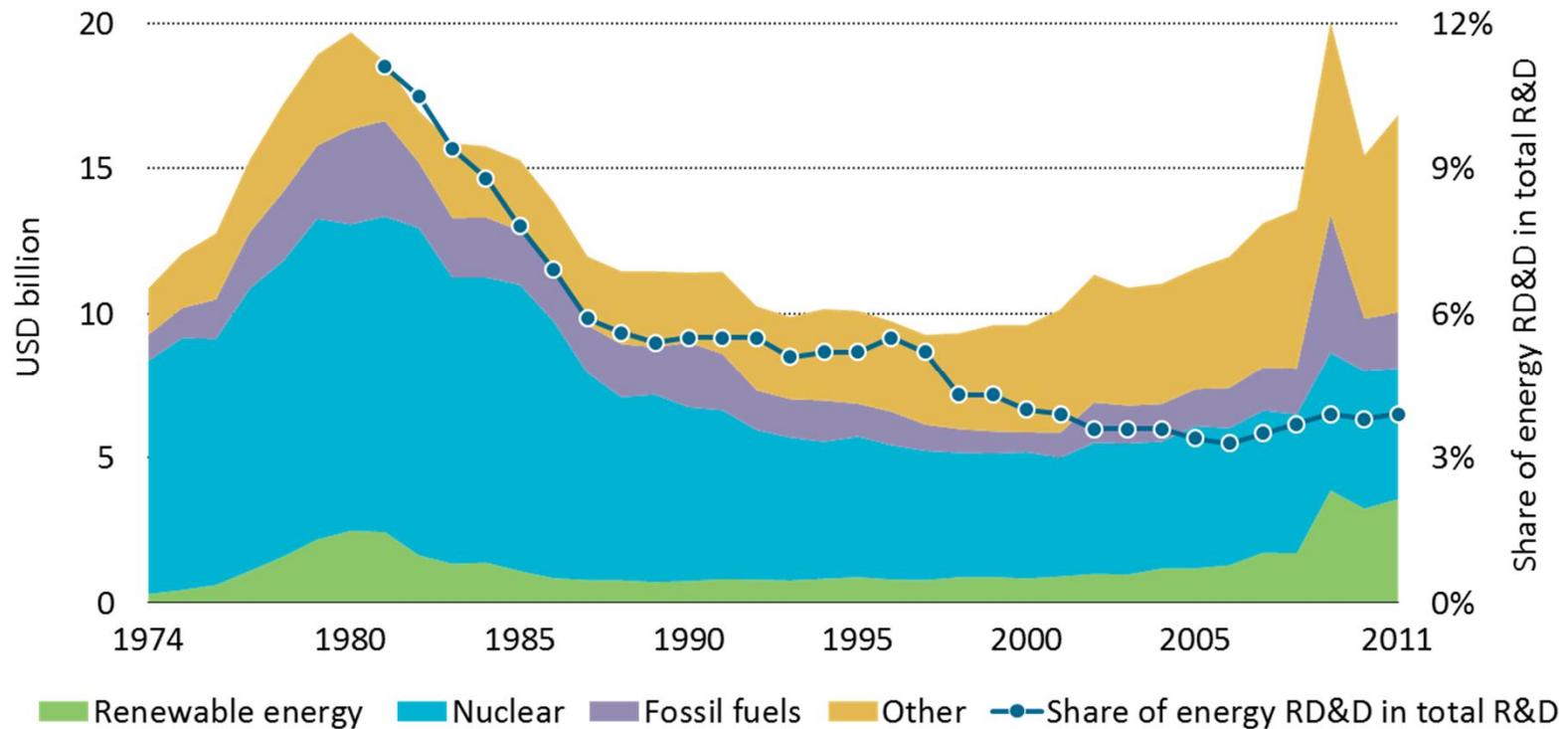


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***The measures in the Bridge Scenario apply flexibly across regions, with energy efficiency & renewables as key measures worldwide***

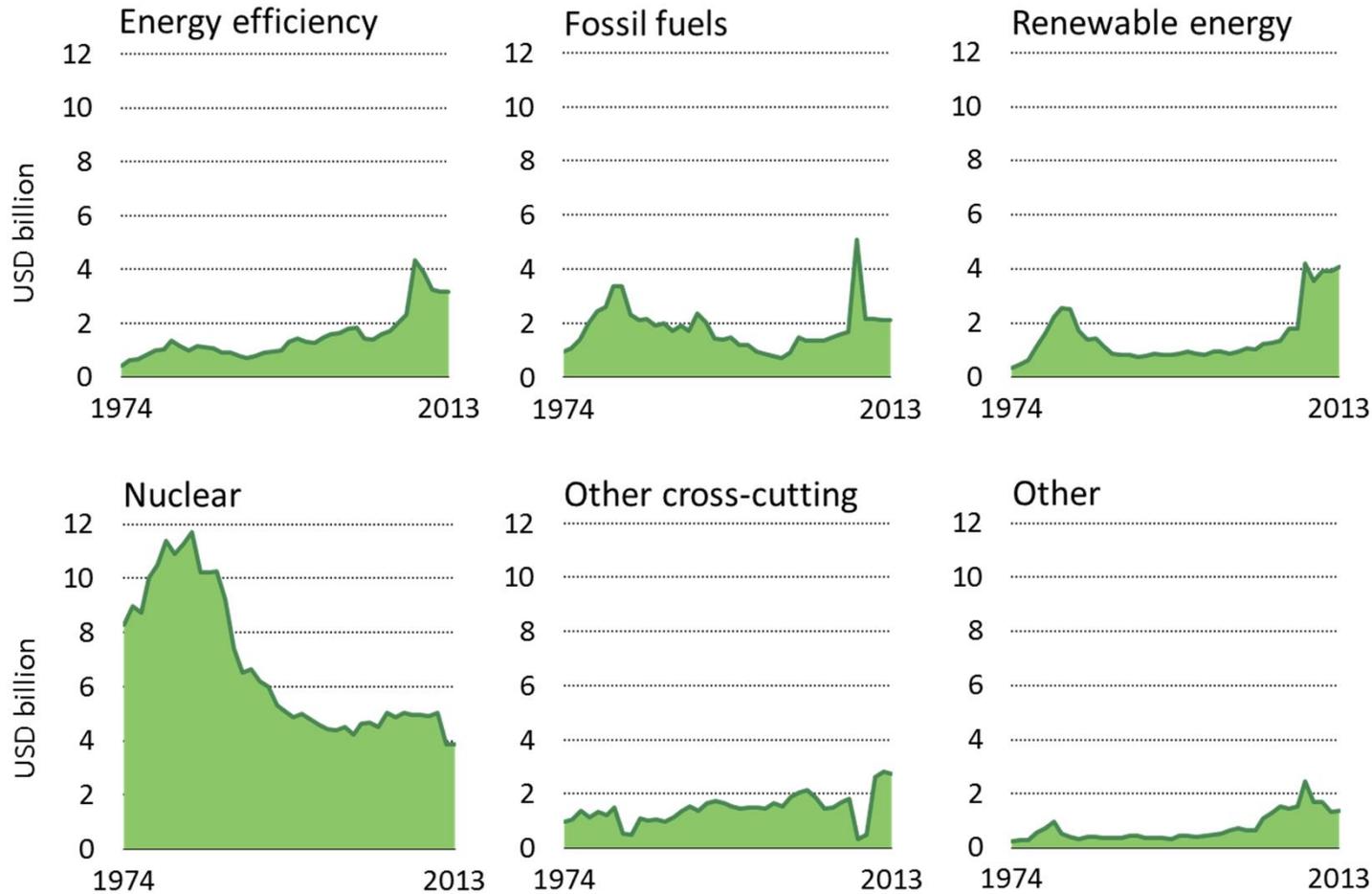
# Energy RD&D support is increasing

IEA government Energy RD&D expenditure



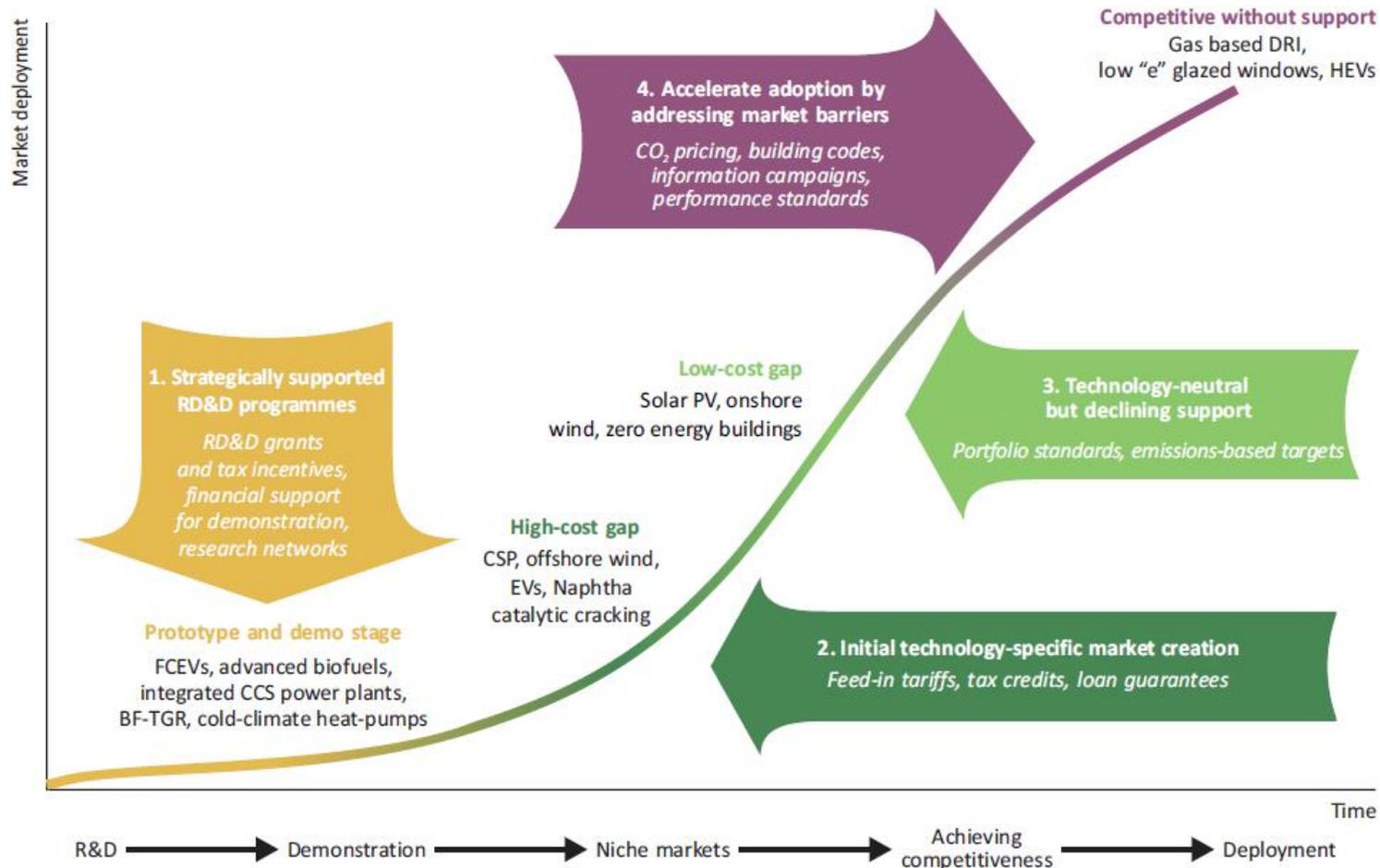
*But has slipped in priority in IEA member countries*

# RD&D is more broadly directed towards the transition



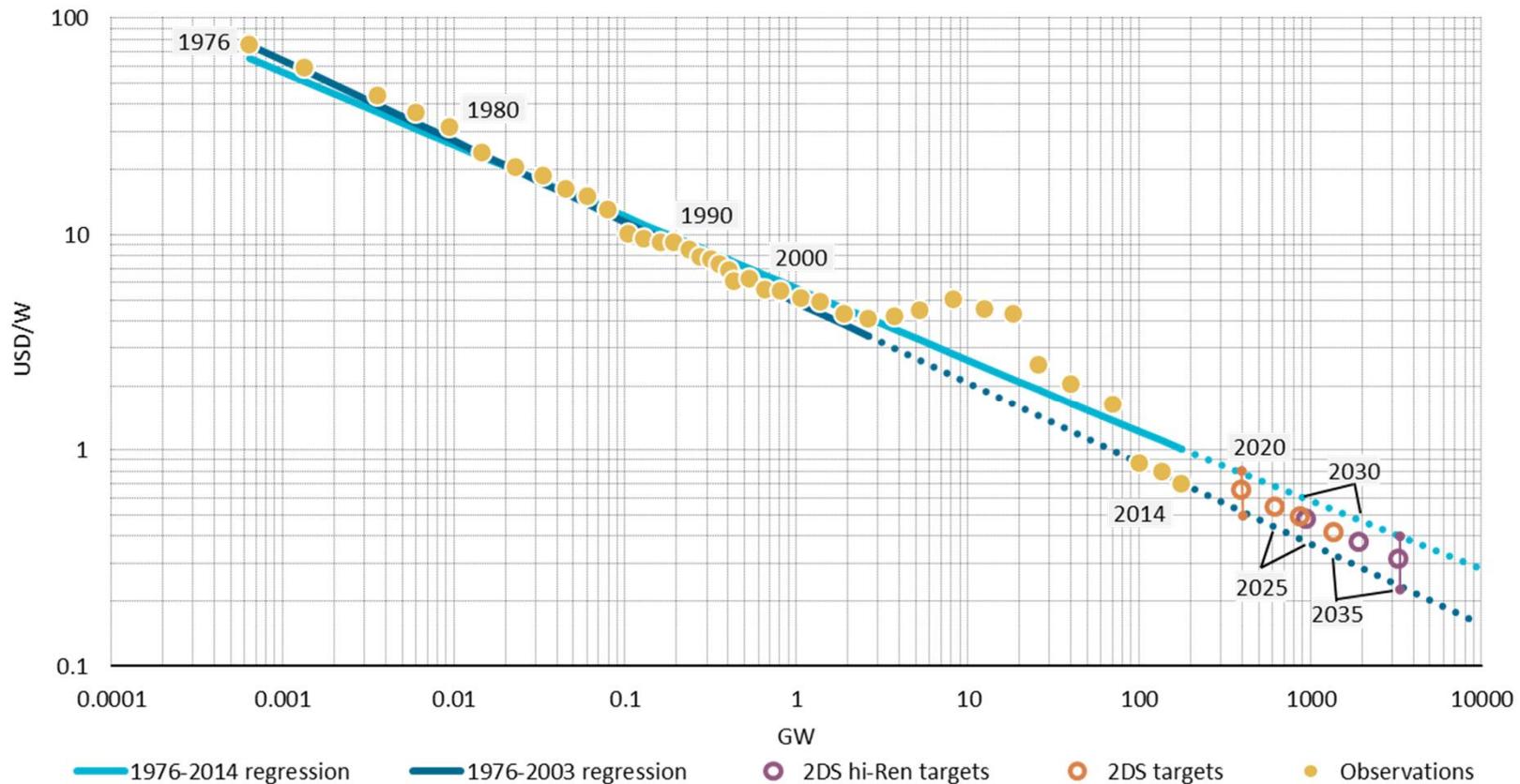
*Renewables and energy efficiency have surpassed fossil fuel spending*

# Supporting Energy Innovation: The right policy at the right time



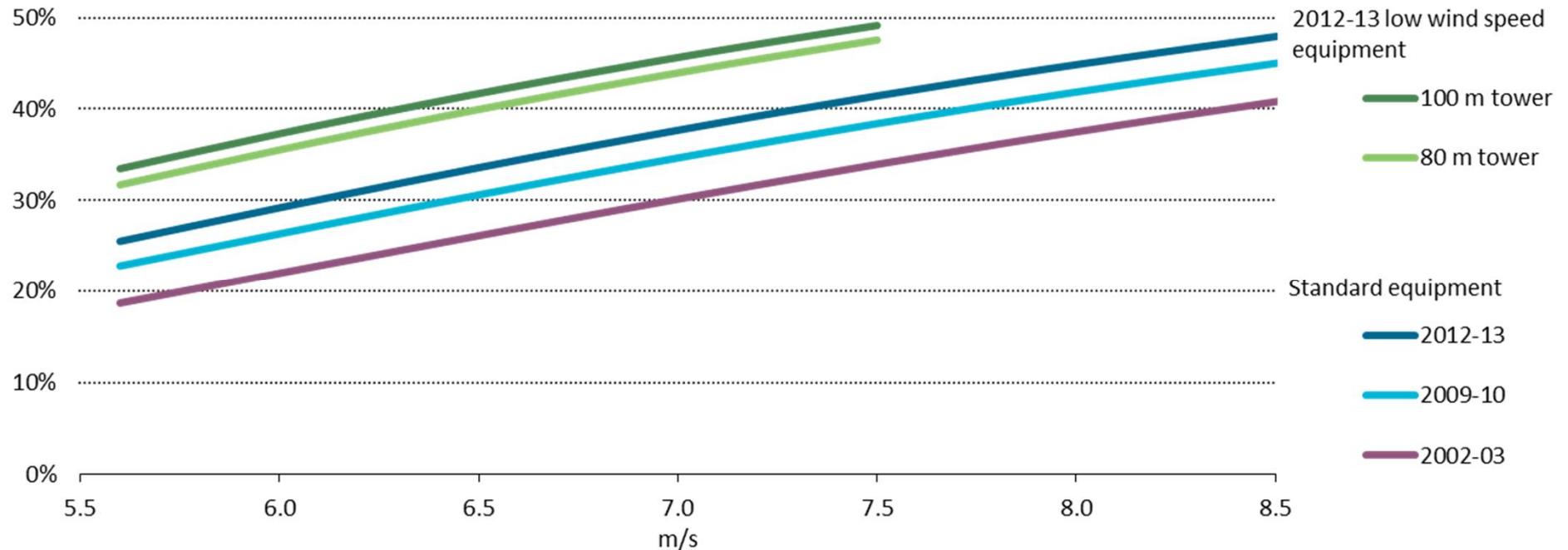
*The right support depends on the maturity of the technology and the degree of market uptake*

# Innovation already plays a role: Solar PV



Nearly 40 years of data demonstrates a determined effort to reduce Solar PV Module Costs

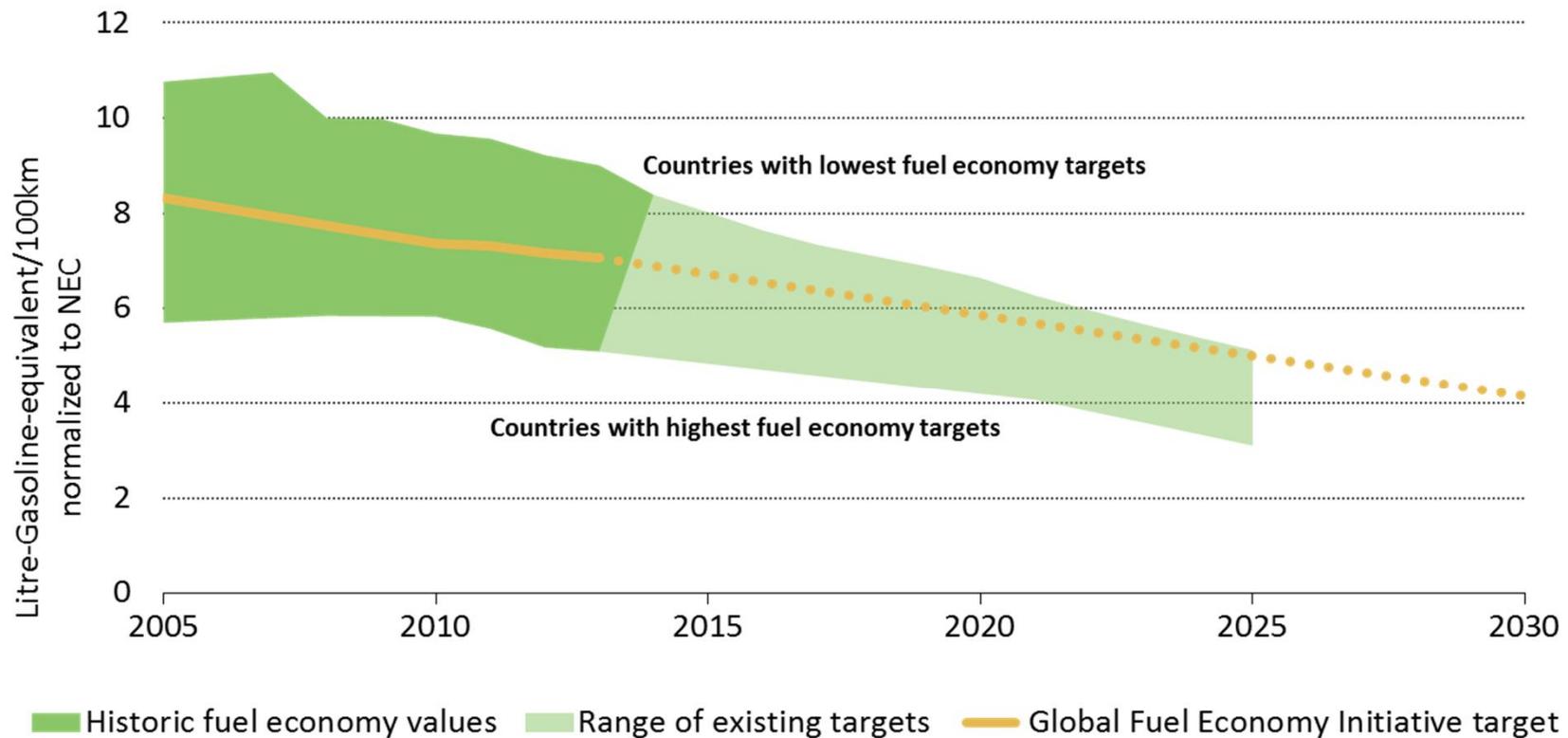
# Innovation already plays a role: Wind



Improving the performance of wind to harness more wind in lower wind regimes and increase capacity factors

# Energy efficient technologies are constantly improving

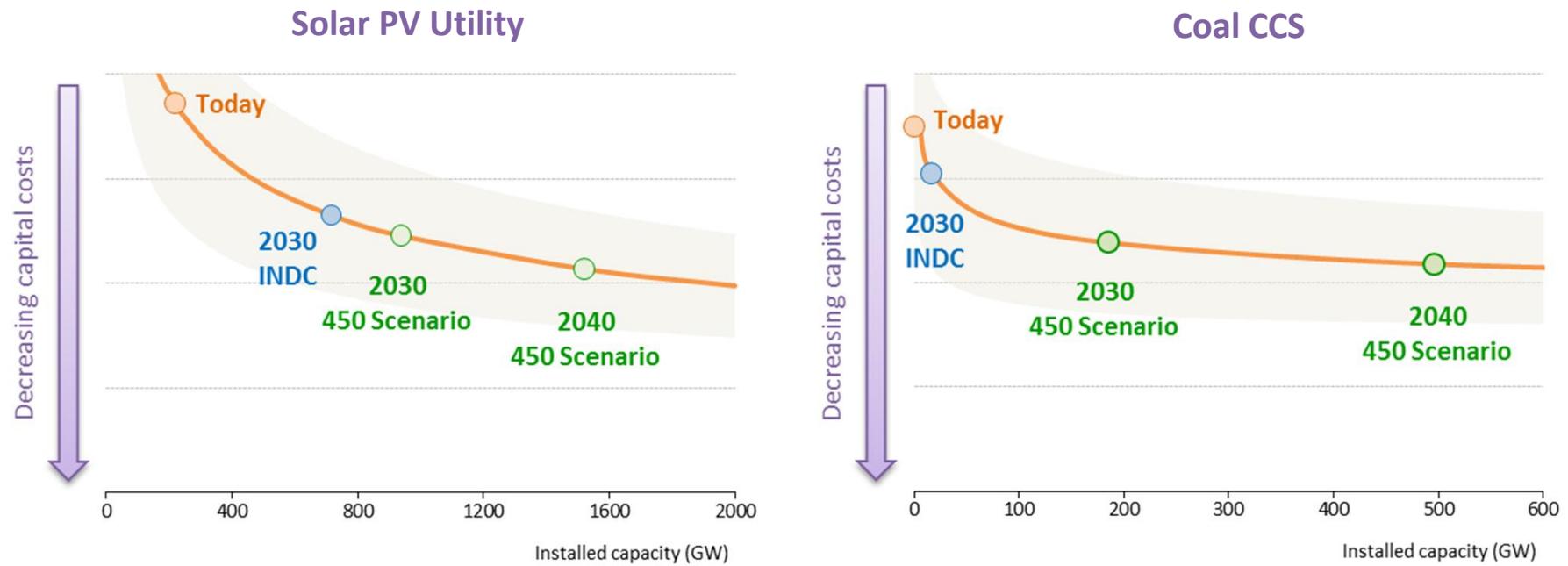
Average new Light-duty vehicle fuel economy evolution by country, 2005 to 2013



*Fuel economy is improving as policy increasingly drives the deployment of more efficient vehicle technologies*

# INDC policies could catalyse an even more ambitious transformation

## Global average capital costs as installed capacity increases



***The INDCs help continue to drive down commercially available clean energy technology costs, but greater emphasis on earlier stage developments is also needed to help meet climate goals***

# Suggested Focus Points for APEC

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- Tracking the energy transition: Data acquisition, analysis and sharing, including investment on clean energy and innovation
- Focus on Urban Systems
- Capacity building
- Innovation: Clean energy portfolio



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