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### **CLIMATE CHANGE 2014**

### Mitigation of Climate Change

# Sectoral mitigation strategies and possible co-benefits of mitigation

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### REQUIREMENTS (2) Supply-side mitigation needs to be complemented by efficiency and decarbonization of end-use sectors

## Reducing energy demand through efficiency enhancements and behavioural changes are a key mitigation strategy.





#### Low-carbon energy share in end-use sectors



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<sup>1</sup> Levelized cost of conserved carbon; calculated against 2010 new gasoline (2030 optimized gasoline) for 2010 (2030) options. Mitigation cost are based on point estimates ±100 USD<sub>2010</sub>/tCO2 and are highly sensitive to assumptions.



#### **Transport Sector**

- Technical and behavioral mitigation measures for all transport modes, plus new infrastructure and urban redevelopment investments, could reduce final energy demand in 2050 by around 40 % below the baseline
- Projected energy efficiency and vehicle performance improvements range from 30–50 % in 2030 relative to 2010 depending on transport mode and vehicle type
- Integrated urban planning, including more compact urban form and together with investments in new infrastructure (eg, high-speed rail) can lead to modal shifts that could reduce transport GHG emissions by 20–50 % in 2050 compared to baseline
- Strategies to reduce the carbon intensities of transport fuels are constrained by challenges associated with energy storage and the relatively low energy density of low-carbon transport fuels



#### **Building Sector**

- Recent advances in technologies, know-how and policies provide opportunities to stabilize or reduce global buildings sector energy use below current levels by 2050.
- Particularly for new buildings, the adoption of very low energy building codes is important. Building codes and appliance standards have been among the most environmentally and cost-effective instruments for emission reductions.
- Retrofits form a key part of the mitigation strategy with the possibility to achieve reductions of heating / cooling energy use by 50–90 % in individual buildings, sometimes even at negative costs.
- Most mitigation options for buildings have considerable and diverse co-benefits in addition to energy cost savings.
- Strong barriers, such as split incentives (e. g., tenants and builders), fragmented markets and inadequate access to information and financing, hinder the market-based uptake of cost-effective opportunities.



### **Direct and Indirect Emissions from the building sector**



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#### **Industry Sector**

- Energy efficiency and behavioural changes can result in significant emissions reductions in the short and medium term:
  - The energy intensity of the industry sector could be directly reduced by about 25 % compared to the current level through the wide-scale upgrading, replacement and deployment of best available technologies
  - Additional energy intensity reductions of about 20 % may potentially be realized through innovation significant
- In the long term, a shift to low-carbon electricity, new industrial processes, radical product innovations (e.g., alternatives to cement), or CCS could contribute to significant GHG emission reductions.
- <sup>"</sup> Important options for mitigation in waste management are waste reduction, followed by re-use, recycling and energy recovery
- Many industry options are cost effective, profitable and associated with multiple cobenefits
- *Barriers to implementing* energy efficiency relate largely to initial investment costs and lack of information.



### **REQUIREMENTS (3)**

Achieving low stabilization levels requires substantial investments, which can lead to significant co-benefits for other local or national policy objectives

# Substantial reductions in emissions would require large changes in investment patterns and appropriate policies.



#### Average Changes in Annual Investment Flows from 2010 to 2029 (430–530 ppm CO, eq Scenarios)



## Mitigation can result in large co-benefits for human health and other societal goals.





#### Mitigation can help to reduce energy security concerns

Impact of Climate Policy on Energy Security



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### Integration across climate and other objectives is key for costefectivly addressing environmental challenges

**Policy Costs of Achieving Different Objectives** 

Global Energy Assessment Scenario Ensemble (n=624)



