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Beyond COP21: A nexus (SDG) perspective on global decarbonization

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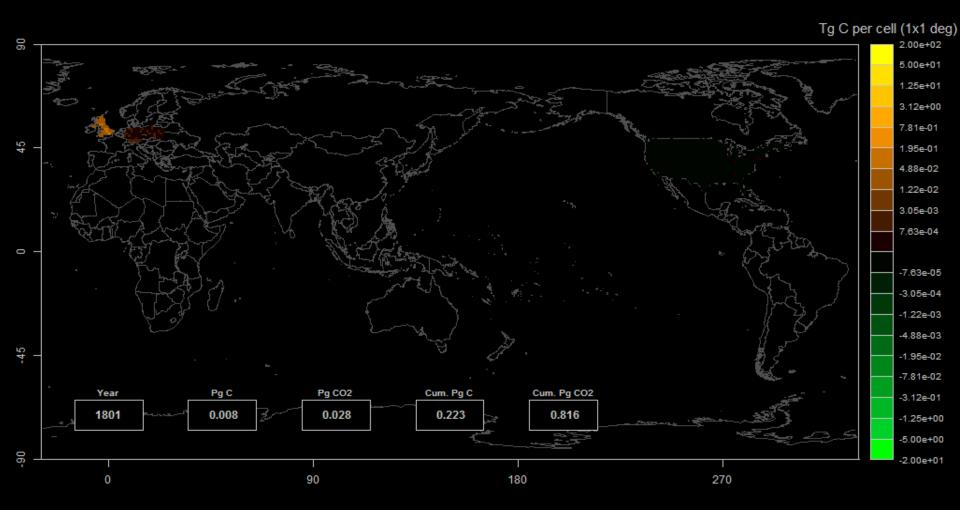
- Established as a scientific bridge between East and West
- After Cold War ended focused on multiple dimensions of global change
 - Now embarked on the new research strategy for the next decade

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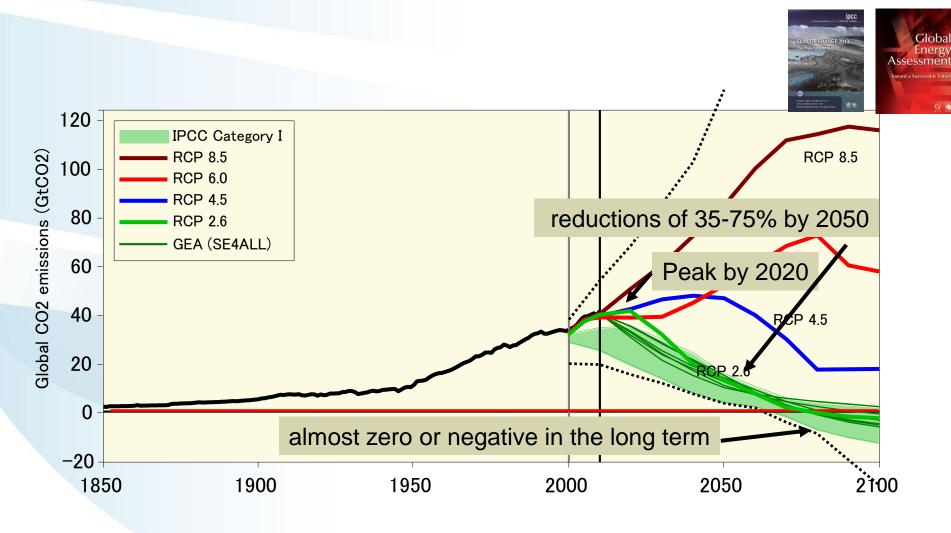


Global CO₂ Emissions





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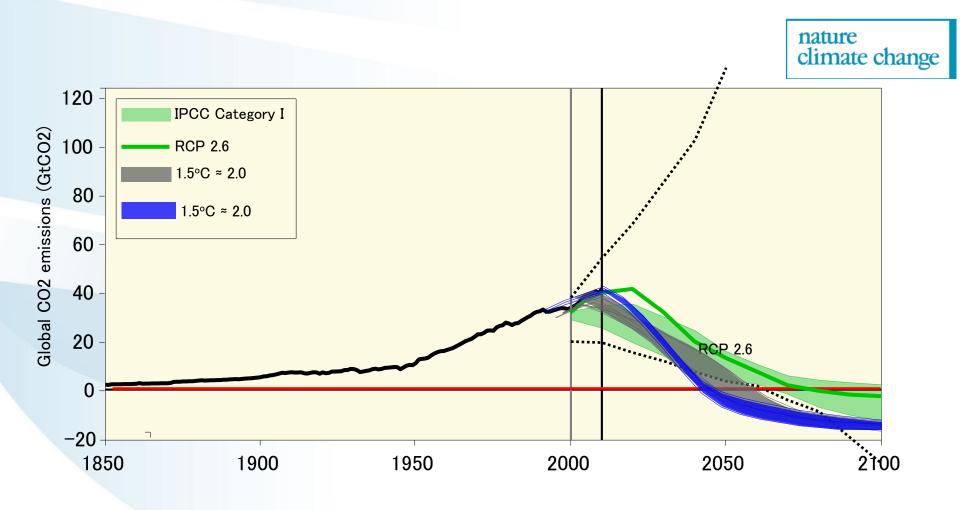


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Source: GEA, 2012; IPCC, 2014

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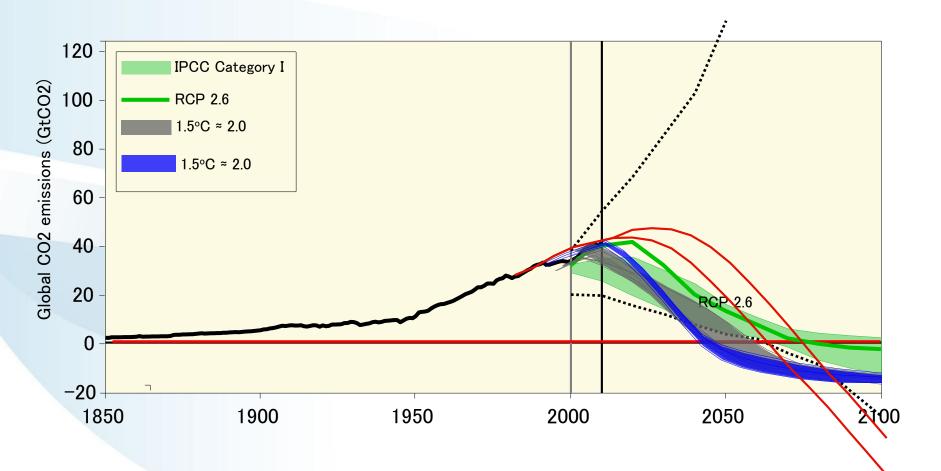


Source: Rogelj et. al, 2015

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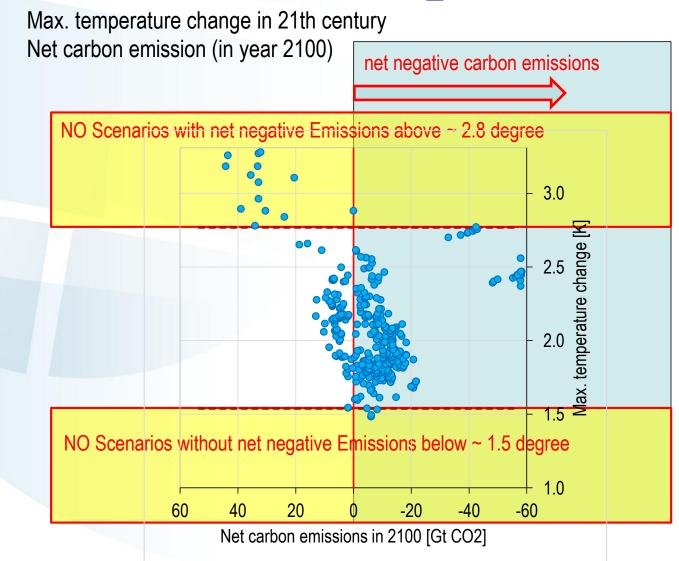
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Net-negative CO₂ Emissions



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The Key Energy Challenges



Energy Access





Climate Change

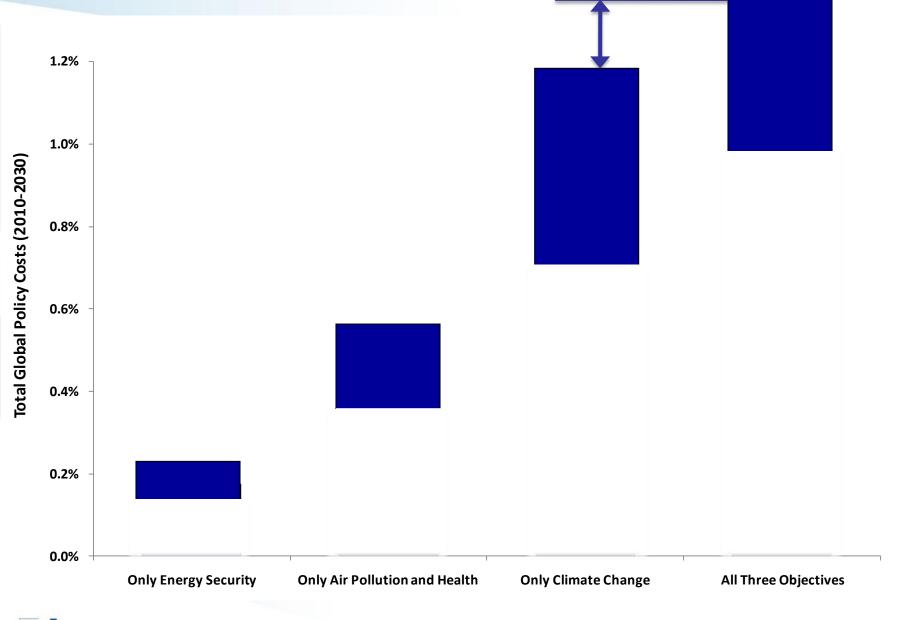




Energy Security

Air Pollution Health Impacts 2016 #9

Multiple Benefits of Integrated Policies



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Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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"Science must be at the heart of this process so as to help achieve synergies and avoid conflicts among the 17 SDGs."

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IIASA Partnerships



The World In 2050 Initiative

Stockholm Resilience Centre Sustainability Science for Biosphere Stewardship



Nexus Solutions Partnership

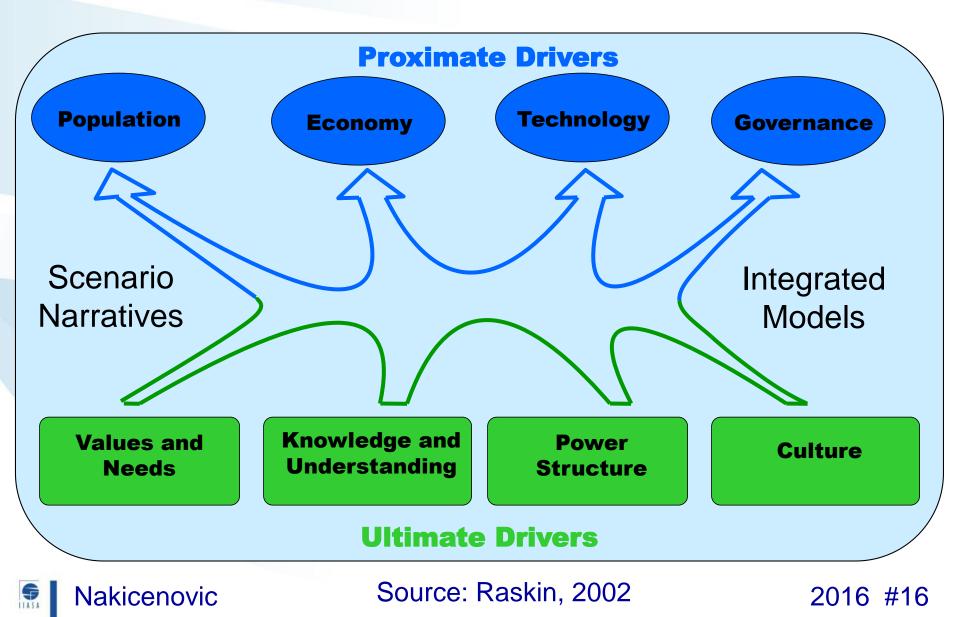




The World in 2050

- Global development within a safe and just operating space and planetary boundaries
- Safe Space" of interaction among SDGs: integrated models to sustainability narratives
- Transformational pathways based on existing literature e.g. SSPs, GEA, SDSN's DDPP
- Co-benefits of transformation toward the "safe space" and how to achieve sustainable futures

Possible Unified Analytical Approach



The World in 2050 "Consortium"

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- Future Earth
- Centre for Integrated Studies on Climate Change and the Environment
- Earth League, whole Earth system modelling initiative The Earth Institute
- Earth Institute, Columbia University
- Global Ocean Ecosystem Dynamics (GLOBECOLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
- Indian Institute International Futures
- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)
- International Energy Agency (IEA)
- **IFPRI** International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA) | | A S A
- Joint Global Change Research Institute at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL JGCRI)
- National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR)
- National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)
- **UN Population Division**
- UNEP- World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WC
- World Bank
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OEC
- Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Change (PIK)
- PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agend
- Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)
- Stanford University
- Stockholm Resilience Centre
- The City University of New York (CUNY)
- **Tsinghua University**

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PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

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Sustainability Science for Biosphere Stewardship







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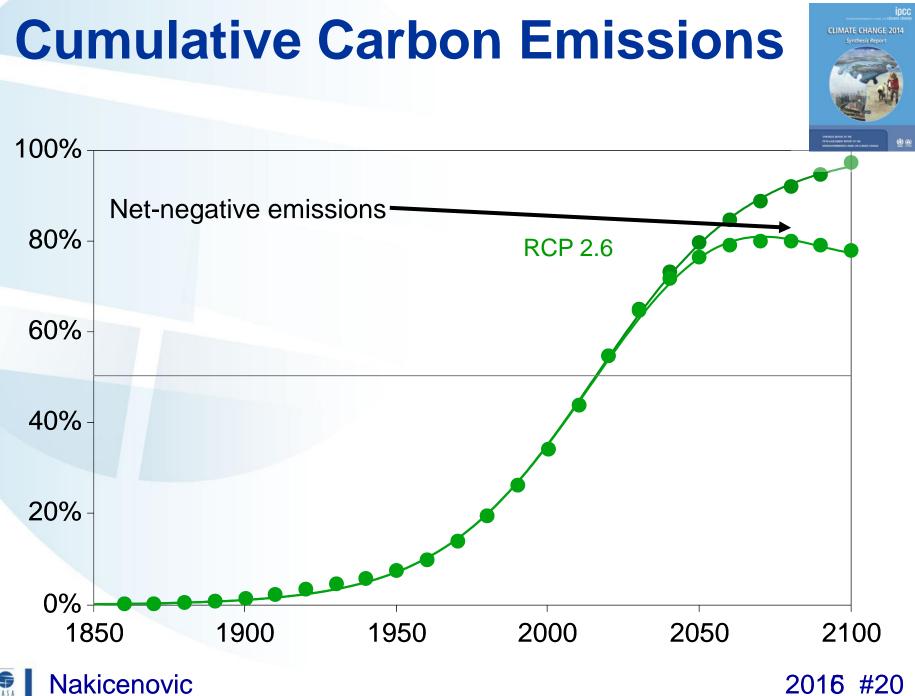


Transformation Drivers Learning from the Past



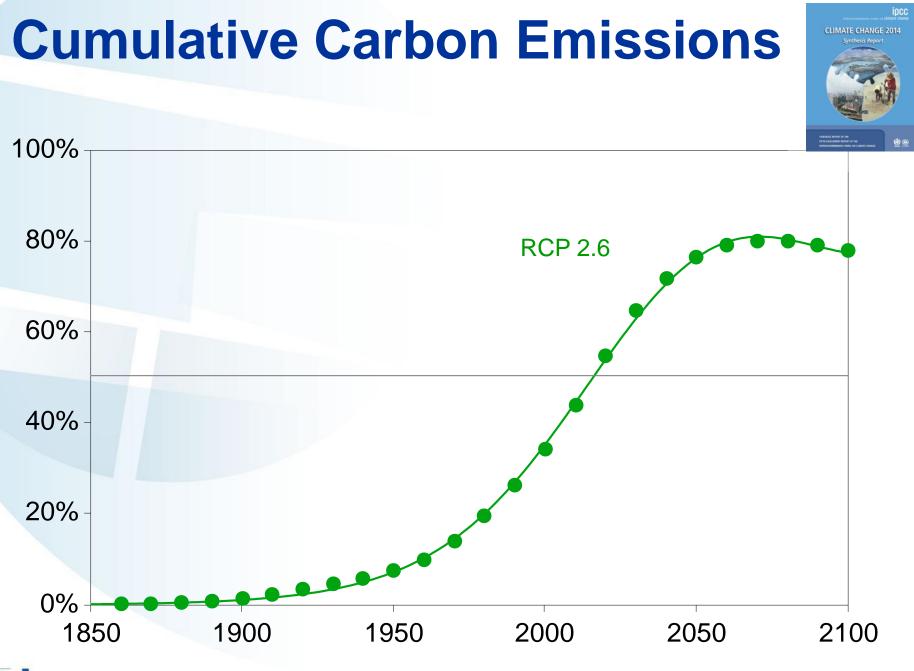
- Normative goals, visions
 Abolition of slavery, participatory governance, EU
- Crises, "gales of creative destruction" The Great Depression, financial crises, disasters
- Technology, rapid innovation diffusion
 Substitution of carriages by cars, IT-revolution
- Knowledge, research-driven society Precautionary principle - ozone layer, climate change

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 Source: Grubler, 2000; WBGU, 2011
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Sustainability Transformation



"Doing More with Less" within Planetary Boundaries

→ Growing number of actors of change:

- · green businesses
- · cities
- · civil society
- science
- · IGOs (UN etc.)

Legitimacy of BAU eroding \rightarrow Values and norms

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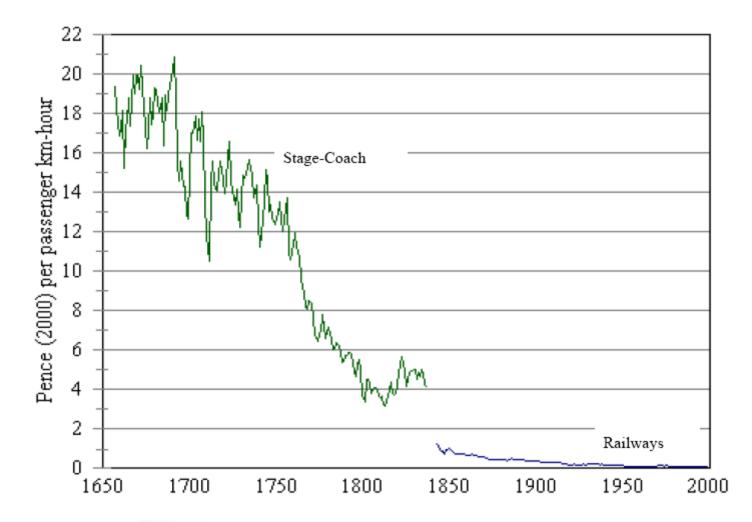
 \rightarrow Increasing problem perception

Time



Source: WBGU, 2011

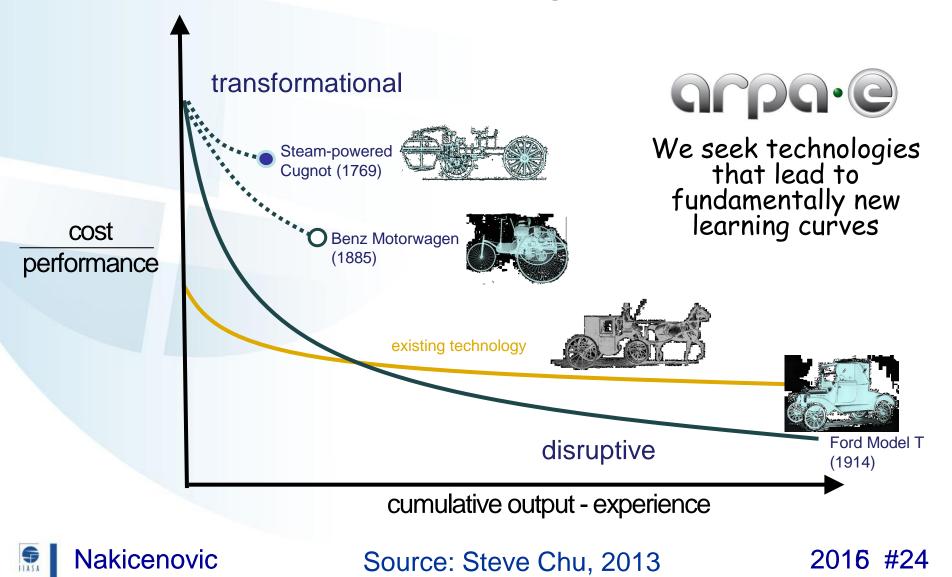
Price of Passenger Transport (per pass-km-hour)



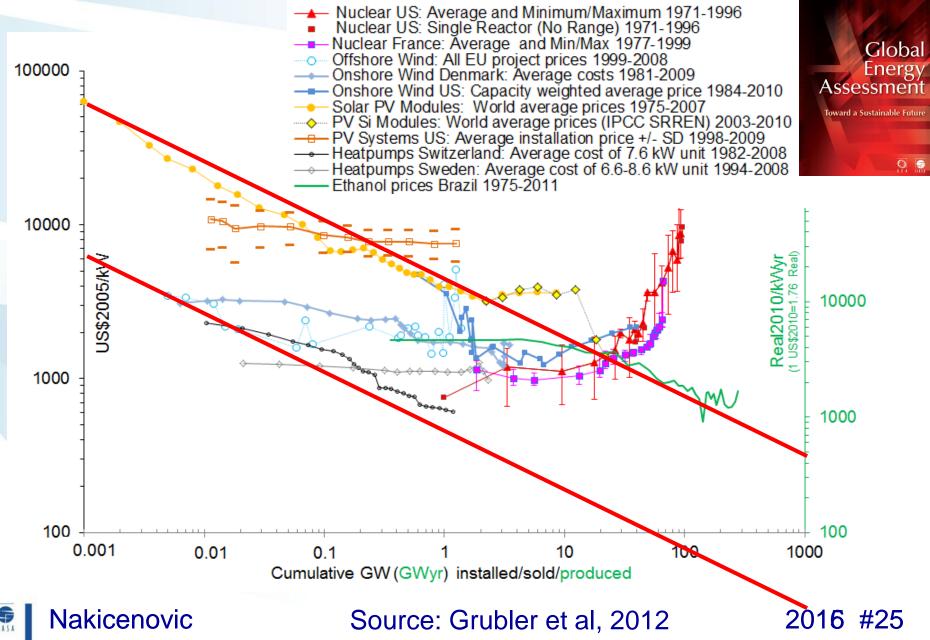
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Source: Fouguet and Pearson, 2003

Incremental & Disruptive Technologies



Supply Technologies Cost Trends



Global Investment in Renewable Energy

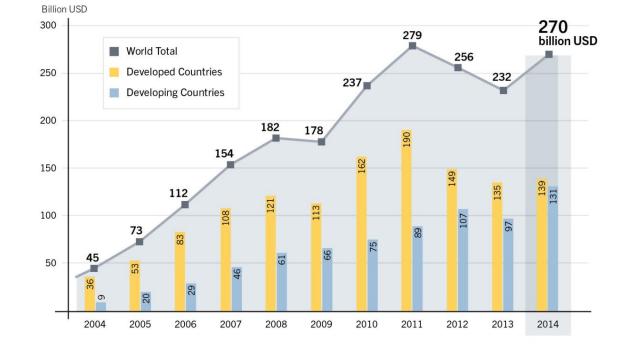
Global new investment estimated USD 270.2 billion in 2014

(including hydropower USD 301 billion)

Reasons for the increase:

- Increase in solar power installations in China and Japan
- Investment in solar power up 25%
- Record investment in offshore wind projects in Europe

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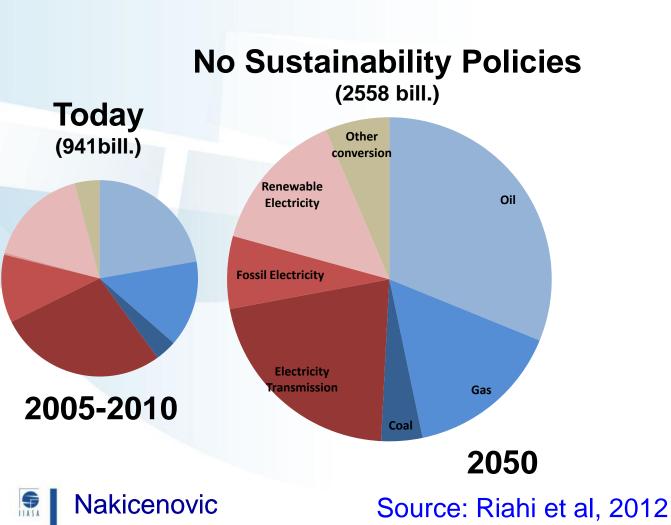
Global New Investment in Renewable Power and Fuels, Developed and Developing Countries, 2004–2014

REN21 Renewables 2015 Global Status Report

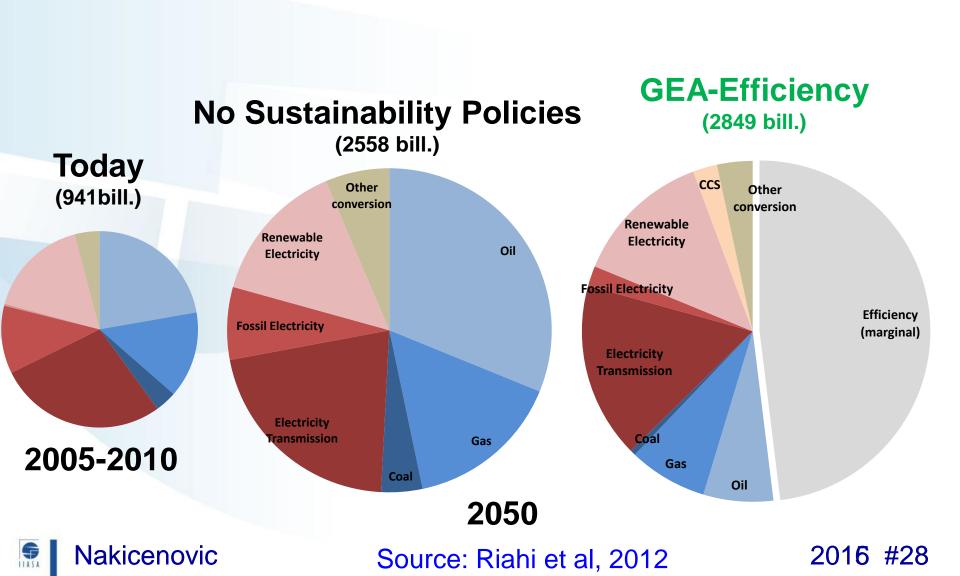


Source: Frankfurt School–UNEP and BNEF

Investment Portfolios World



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Science for Transformation

- Better integration across science communities "Climate or development first" approach too narrow
- More integrated & holistic assessment of climate change policy in the context of other priorities:
 - Multi-objective & multi-policy framing to better understand climate policy tradeoffs & benefits
 - "Nexus" approaches to reach multiple objectives simultaneously: energy, water, food & urbanization
 - Challenges are huge:
 - Different constraints and priorities across scales
 - Normative goals for policy prioritization 17 SDGs



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