

# **Research for a World in Transition: IIASA's Strategy for the Next Decade**

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Home of IIASA since 1972

# IIASA: A Global Research Institute

- International
- Independent
- Interdisciplinary
- Integrated

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Systems Analysis

# IIASA Statistics

- 150 Researchers (100 FTEs)
- 100 other staff members
- EUR 16.4 million budget
- 50/50 membership fees and external funds
- 17 national members
- 50% of world population

# Vision

IIASA will be the world leader in systems analysis to find solutions to global problems for the benefit of humankind

# IIASA's Strategy for the Next Decade

- Focus on a few global problems
- Emphasis on policy relevance
- Innovation in systems analysis
- Increased capacity building

# Global Challenges

1.02 billion people are undernourished worldwide in 2009 (FAO)

**FOOD**

1.1 billion people have inadequate access to water (UNHDP)

**WATER**

1.6 billion people are without access to electricity

**ENERGY**

25,000 children die each day due to poverty (UNICEF)

**POVERTY**

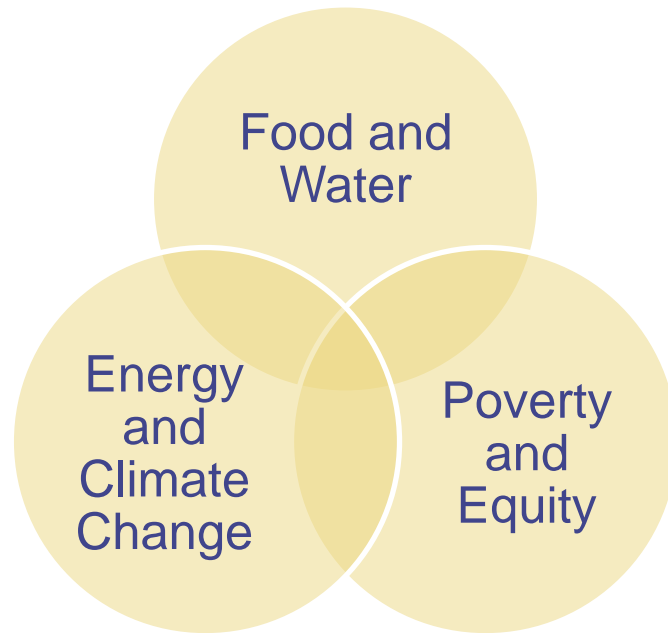
80% of humanity lives on less than \$10 a day (World Bank)

**EQUITY**

Average temperatures predicted to increase by 1.4°C by 2100 (IPCC)

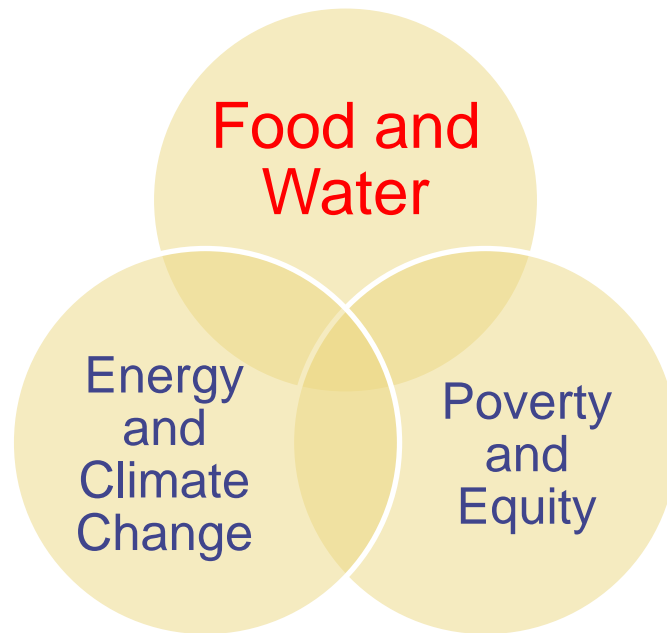
**CLIMATE CHANGE**

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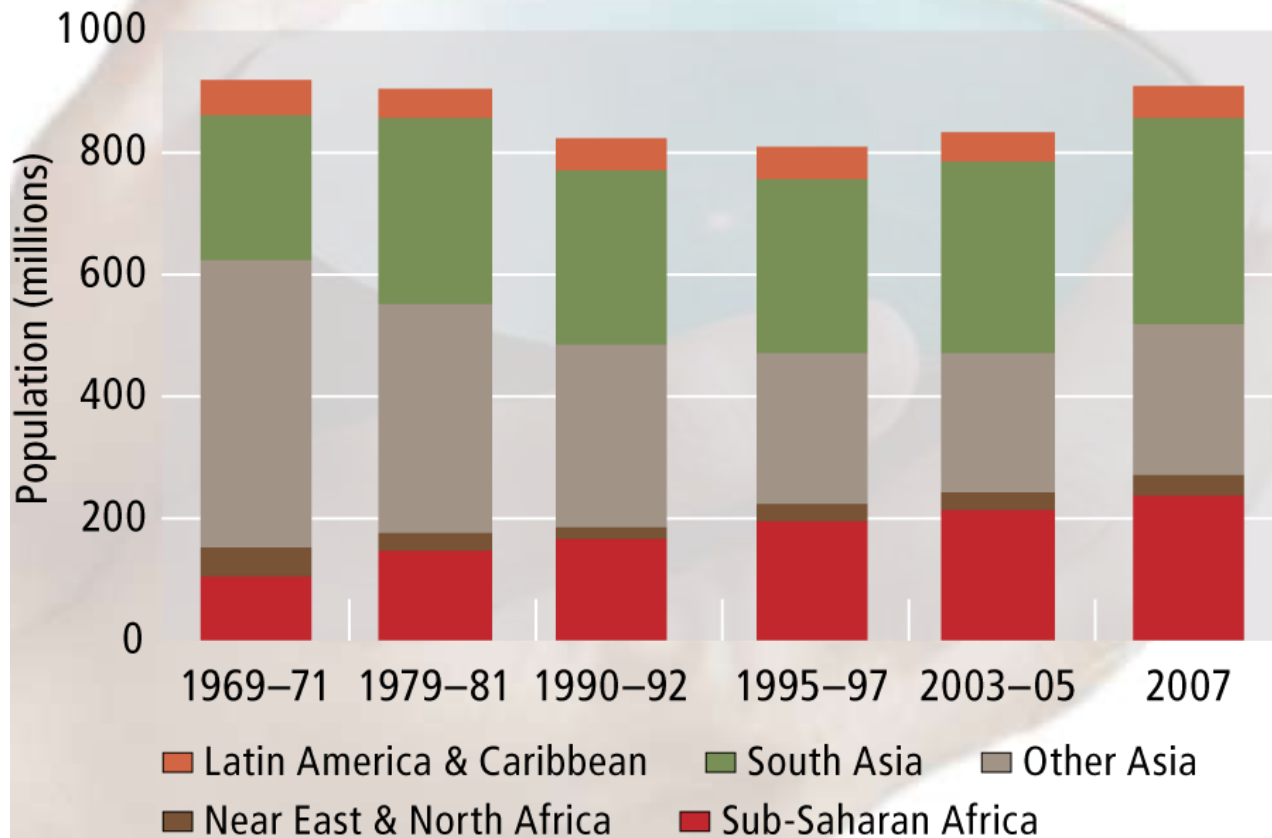




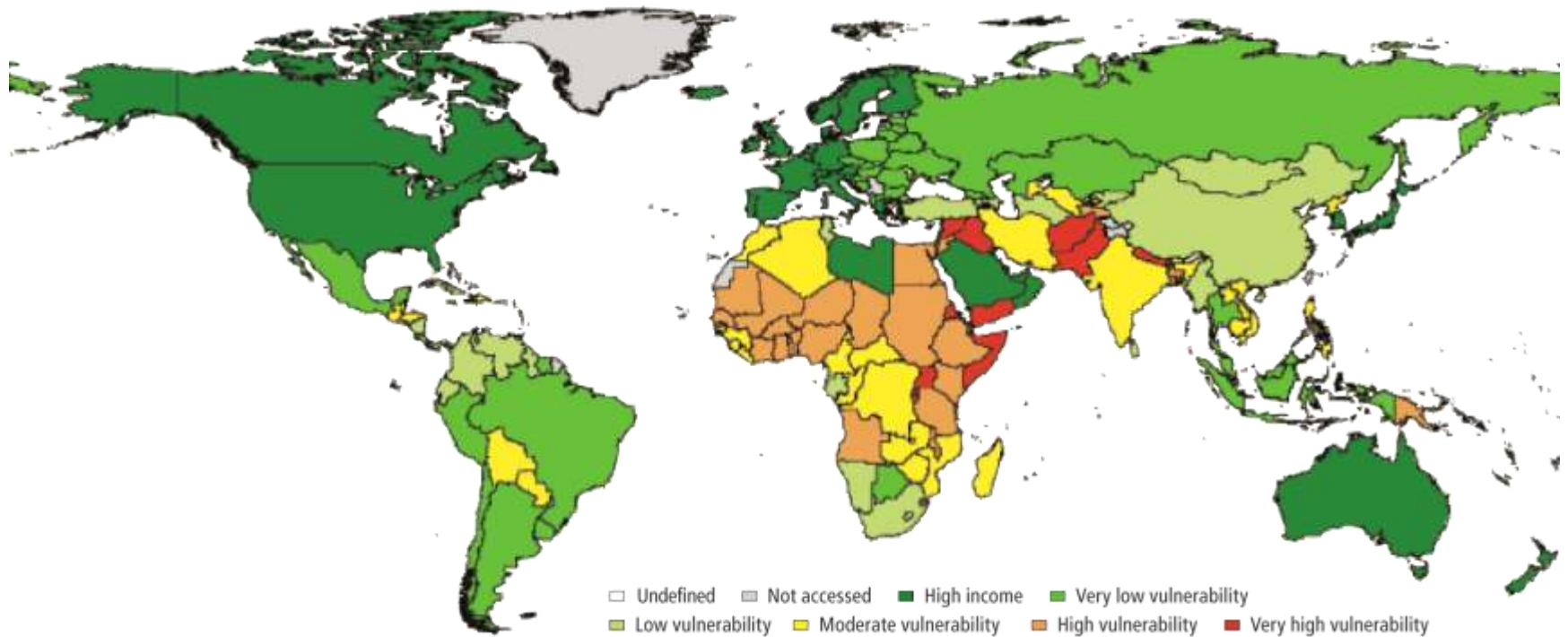
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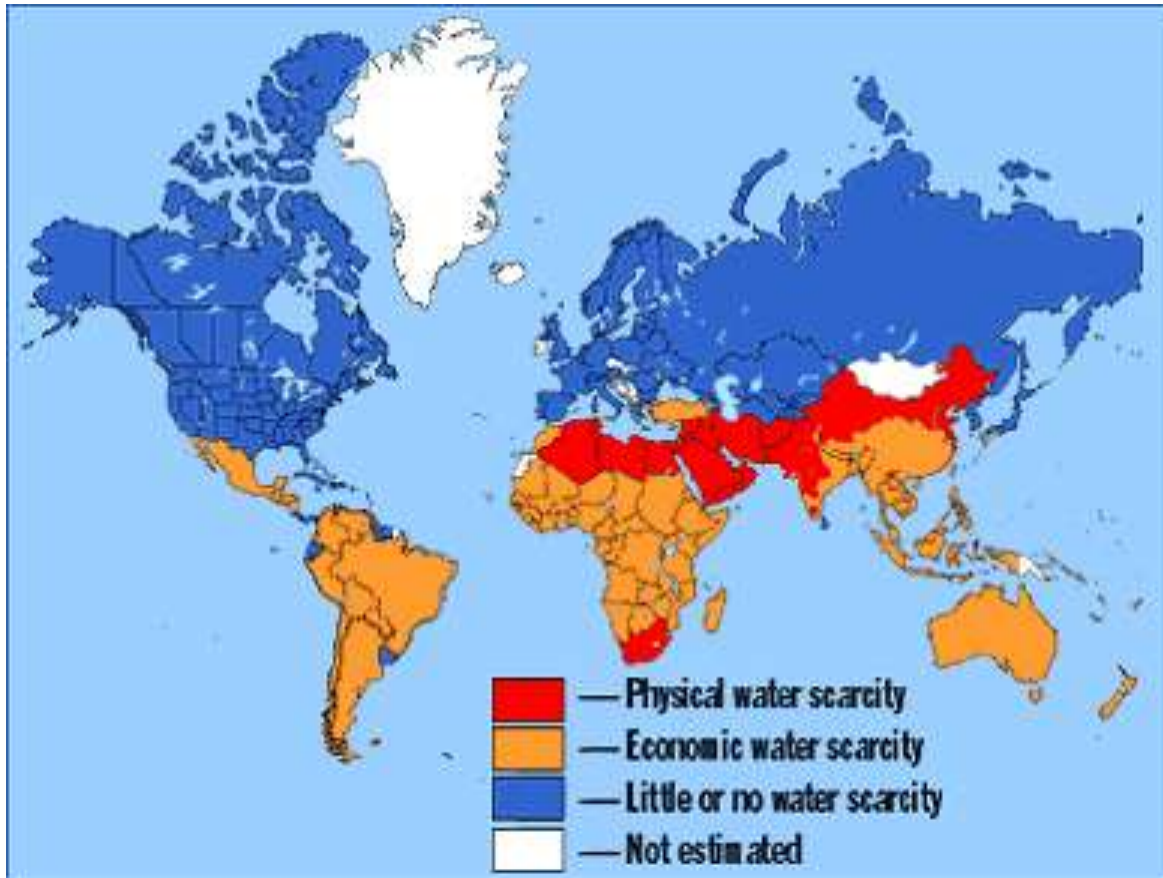
# Undernourished People in Developing Countries, 1969 – 2007



# Countries Vulnerable to Food Insecurity



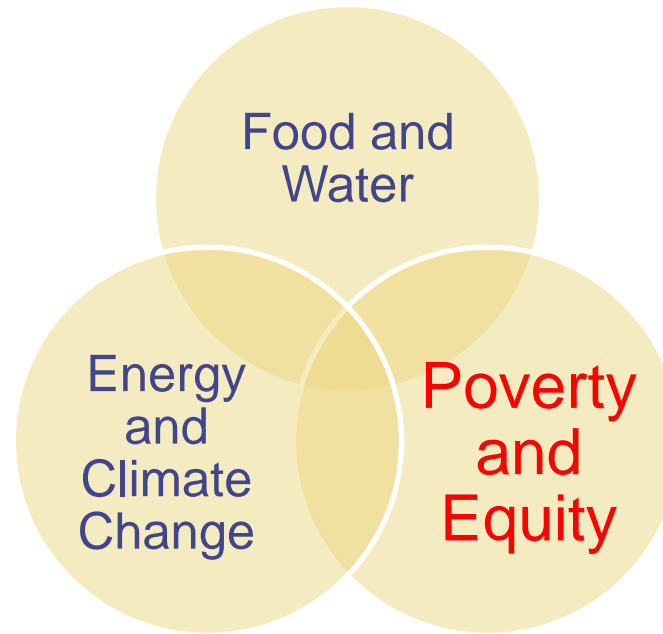
# Water Shortages



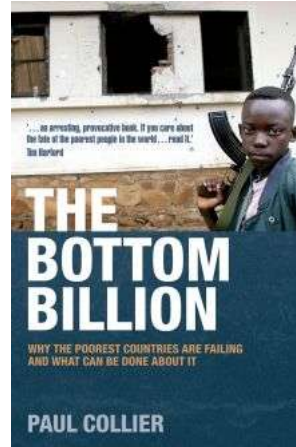
# Climate Change, Food, and Water



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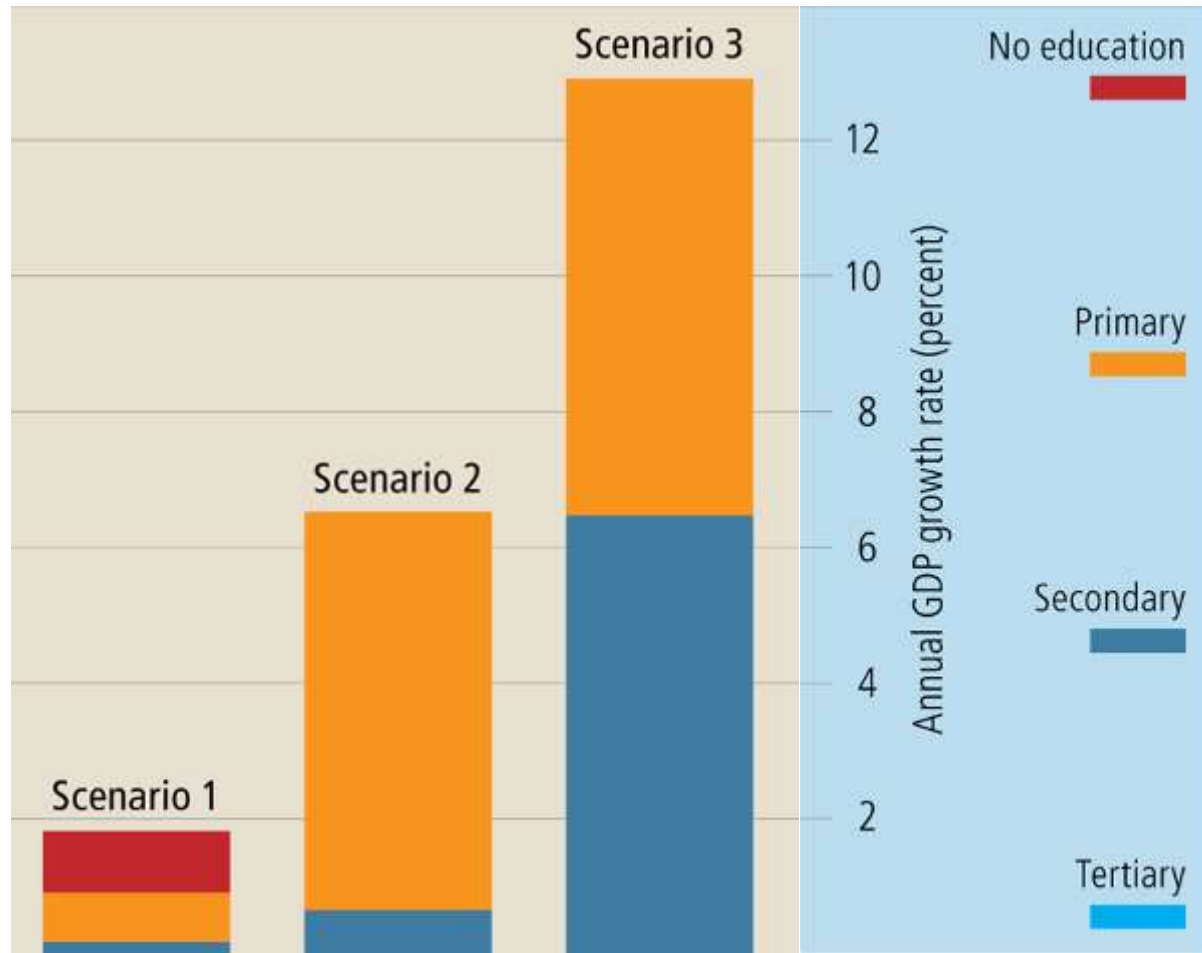


# Poverty and Equity



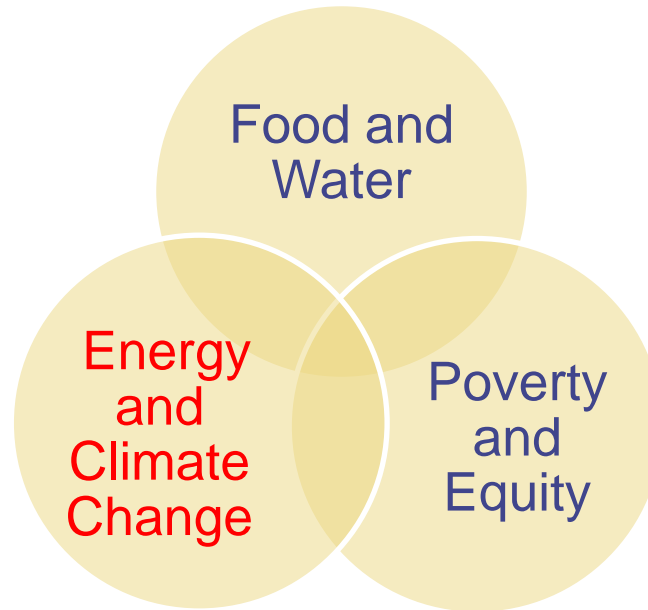
1,000 Billionaires  
10,000,000 Millionaires  
1,000,000,000 live on less than \$1/day

# Key to Development: Education



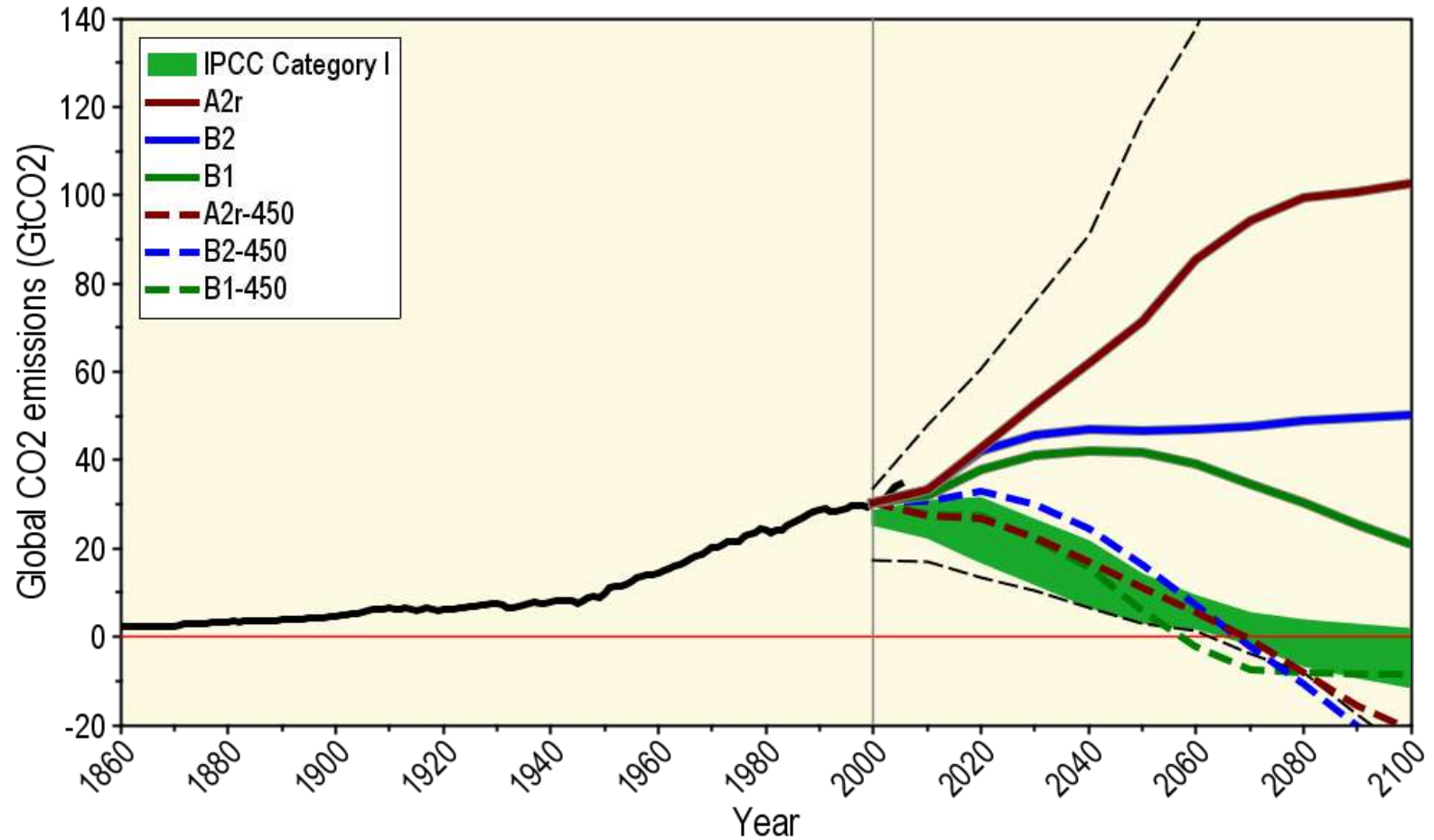


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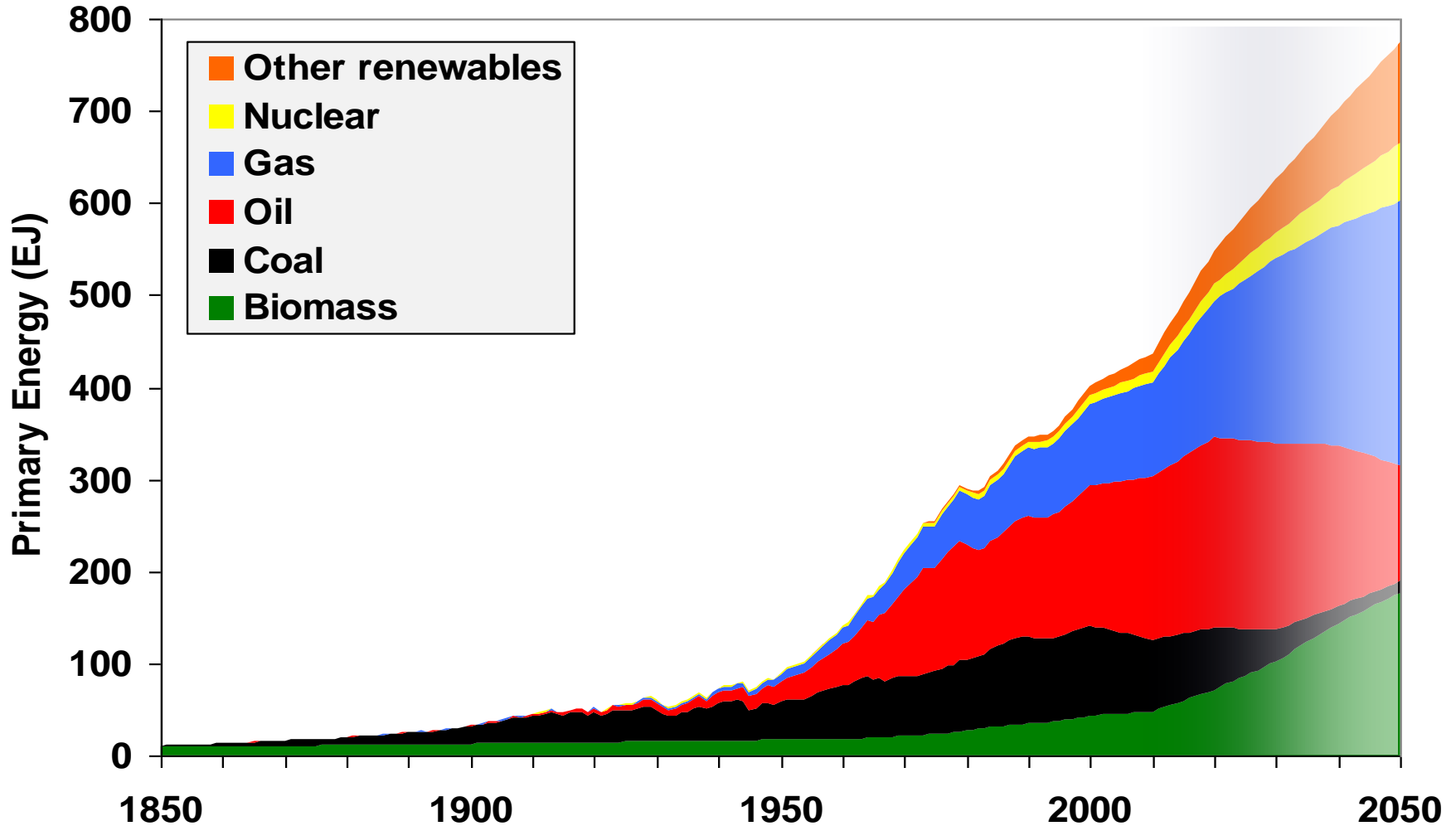
# Global Carbon Emissions

## Baseline-Range & Low Stabilization Scenarios



# Global Primary Energy

450 ppm CO<sub>2</sub>-equ. or 2°C





A scientific model designed to identify the most viable and cost-effective methods of jointly reducing emissions of air pollution and greenhouse gases in Asia, without compromising economic development.

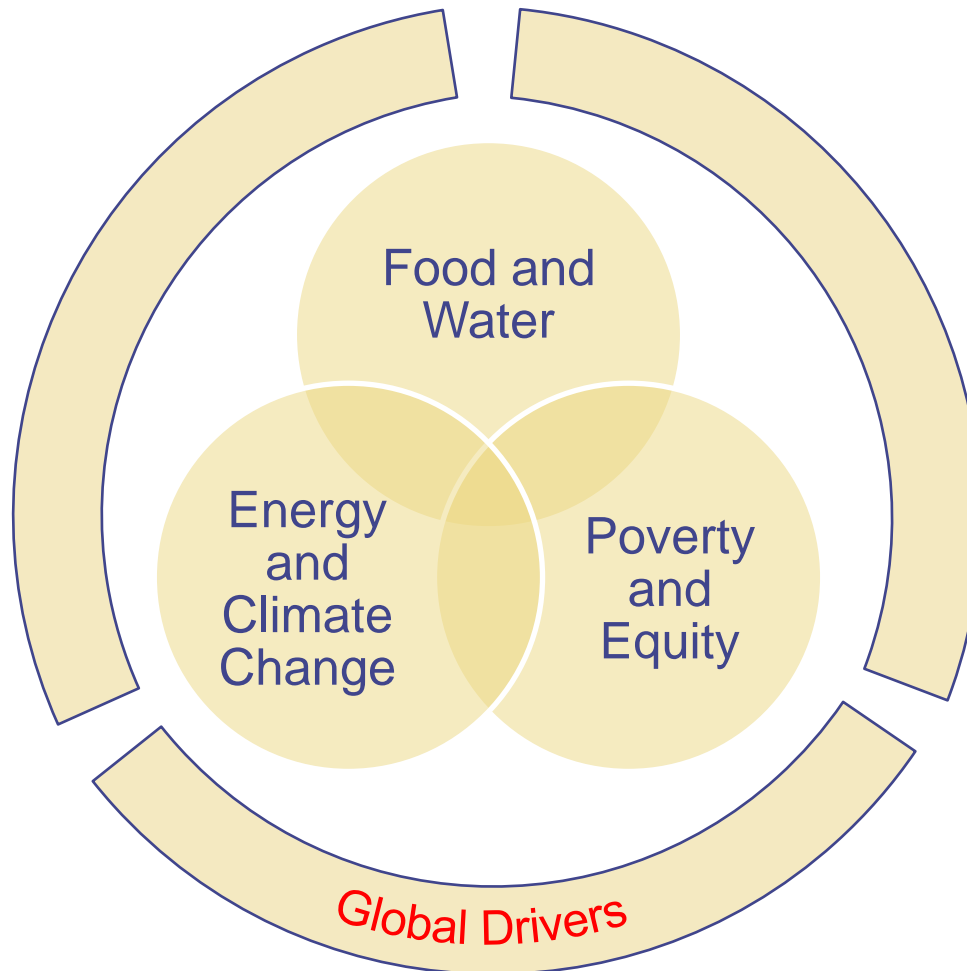


Current greenhouse gas emission trends

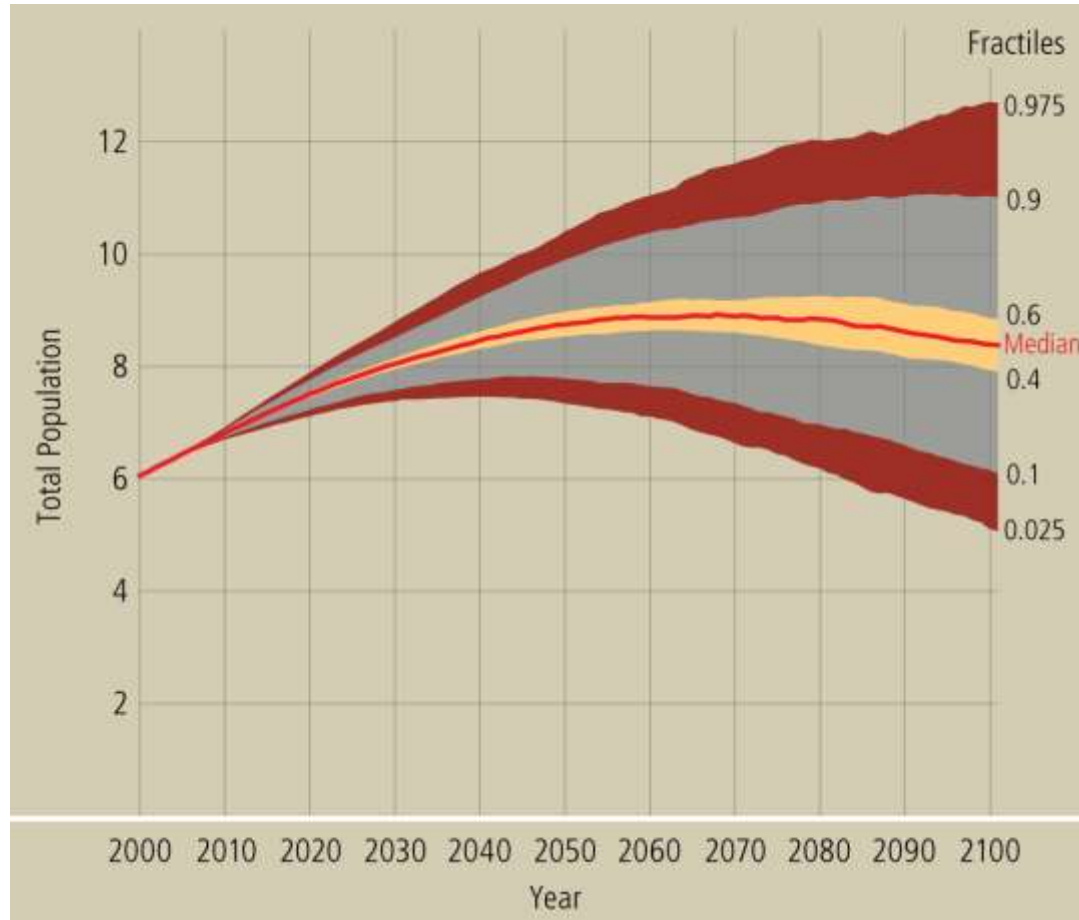
Costs of current and future greenhouse gas reductions

Comparisons using different metrics

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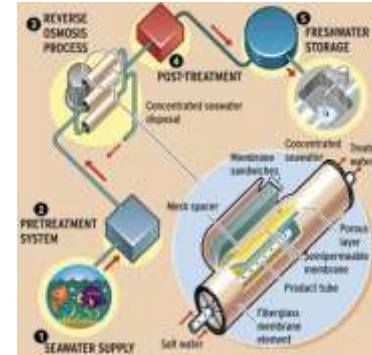
# Future Population



# Technology



Carbon Sequestration



Water Desalination



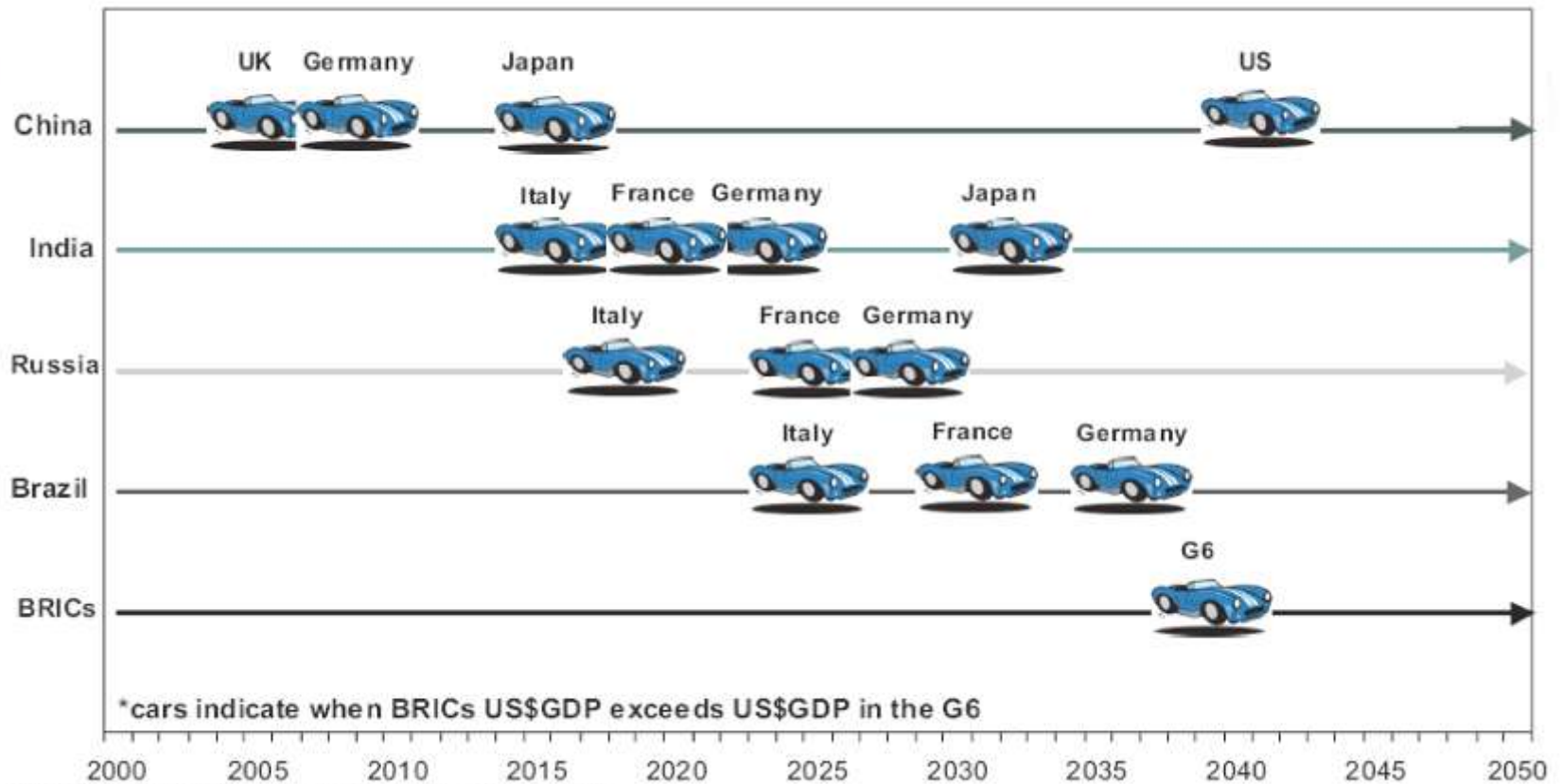
Genetic engineering



Safe and sustainable nuclear power

# Globalization Race

## When BRICs would overtake G6 economies in \$US GDP



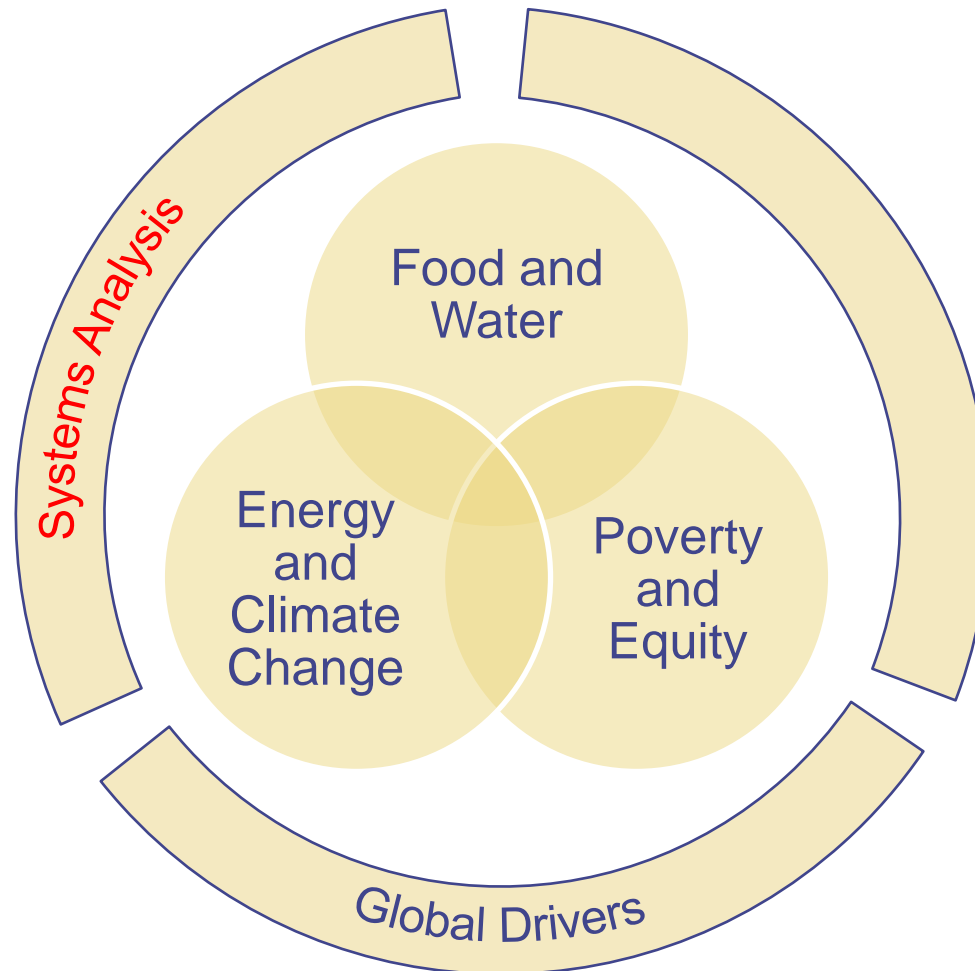
GS BRICs Model Projections. See text for details and assumptions.



# Extreme Events



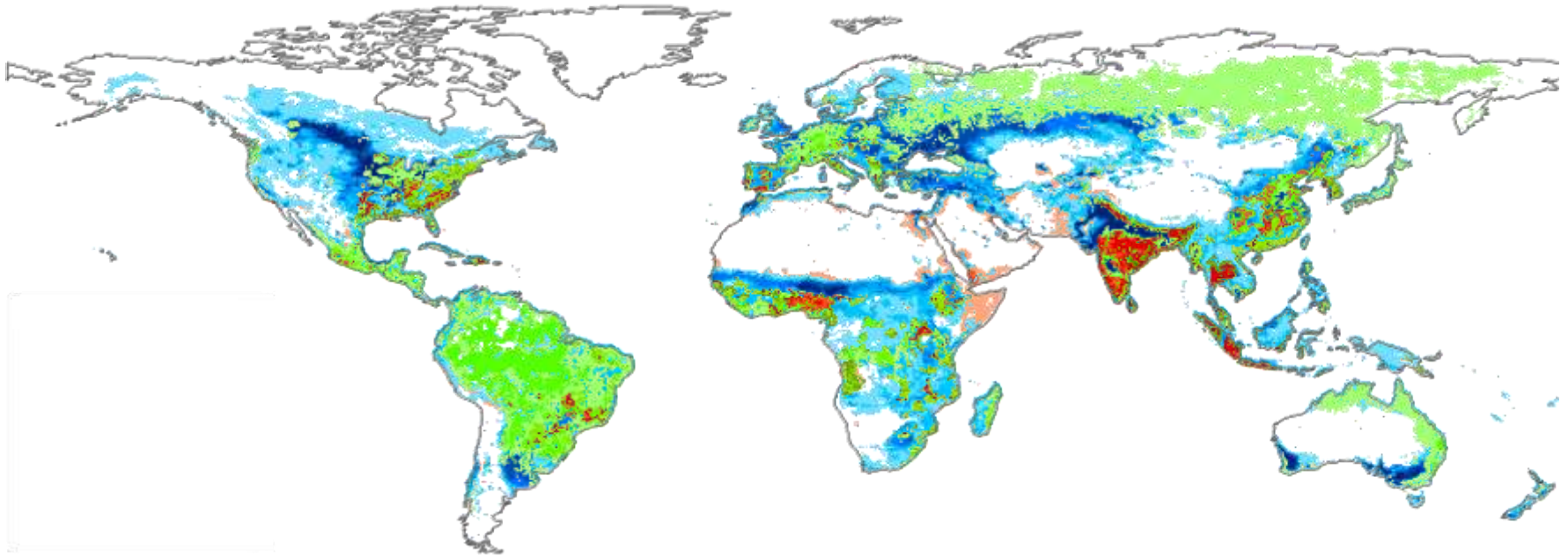
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# Systems Analysis at IIASA

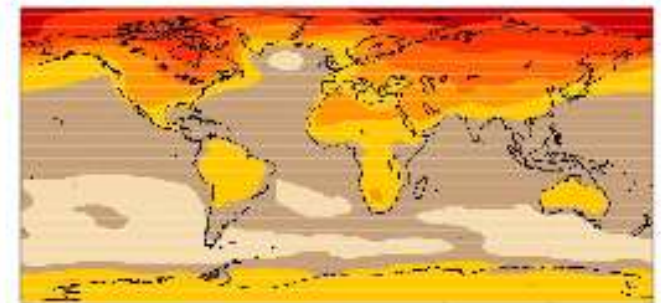
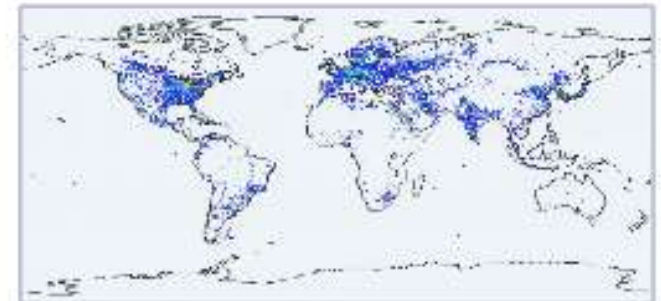
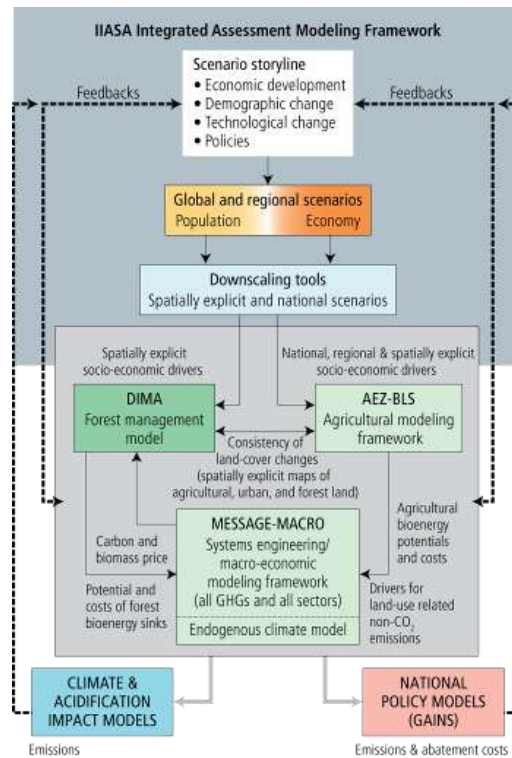
- Problem driven and solution oriented
- Integrated: Systems linkages and dynamic interactions
- International and interdisciplinary
- Science based

# Problem Driven and Solution Oriented: Energy and Food Land Conflicts



# Integrated: Systems Linkages

## Global Energy Assessment

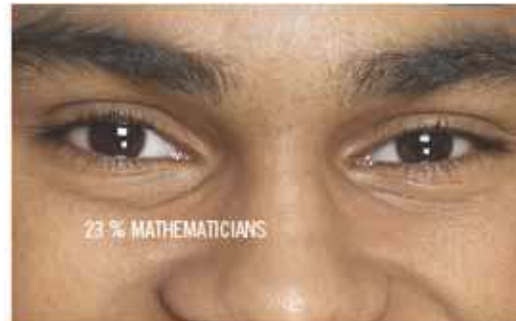


Night luminosity and temperature change in 2070

Source: IPCC 2000, Special Report on Emissions Scenarios; IPCC 2007, Climate Change 2007: The Scientific Basis

# Interdisciplinary and International

- 40+ countries
- 150 scientists
- 50 YSSP annually
- 15 Postdocs



23% MATHEMATICIANS



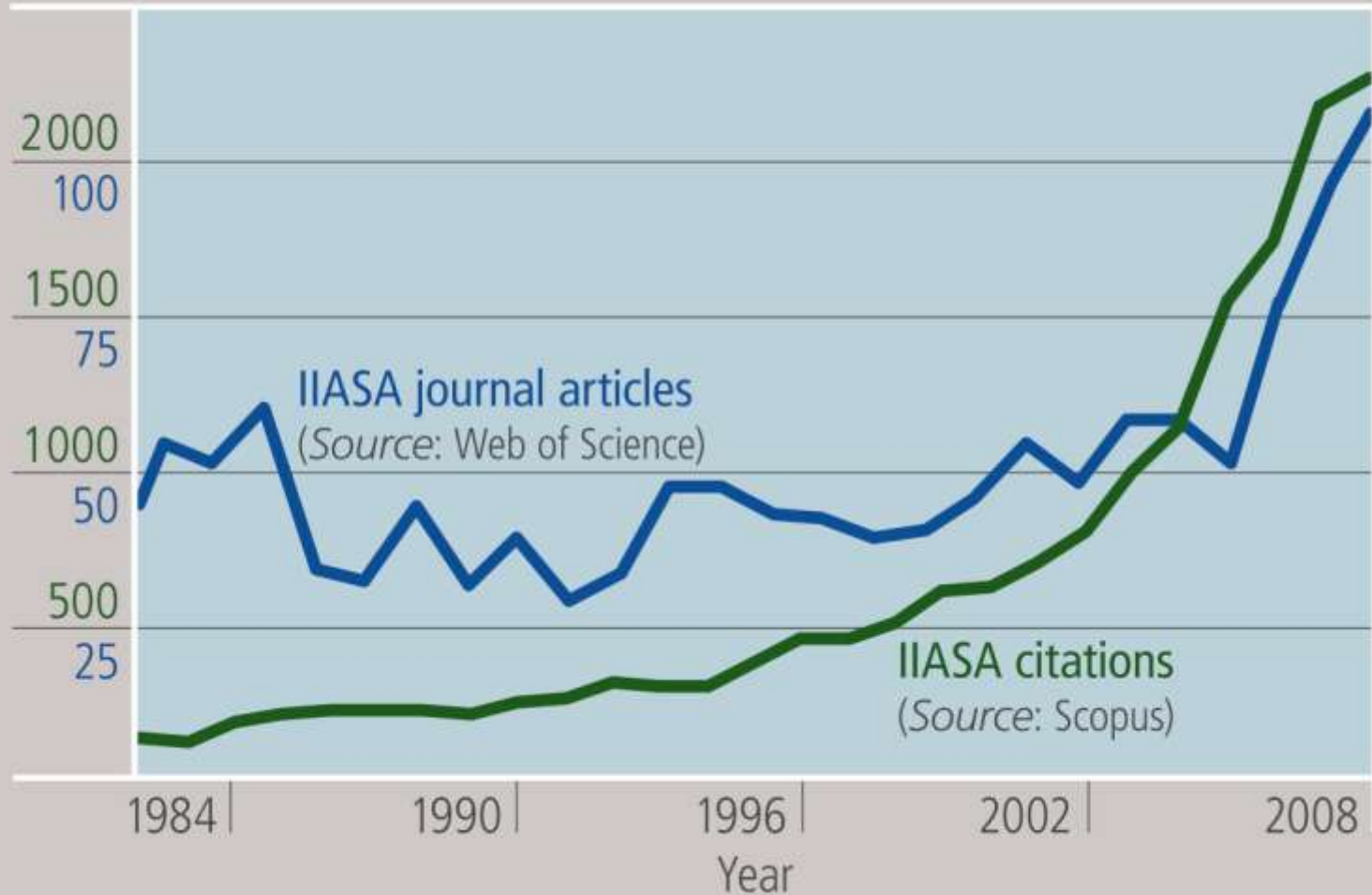
39% SOCIAL SCIENTISTS



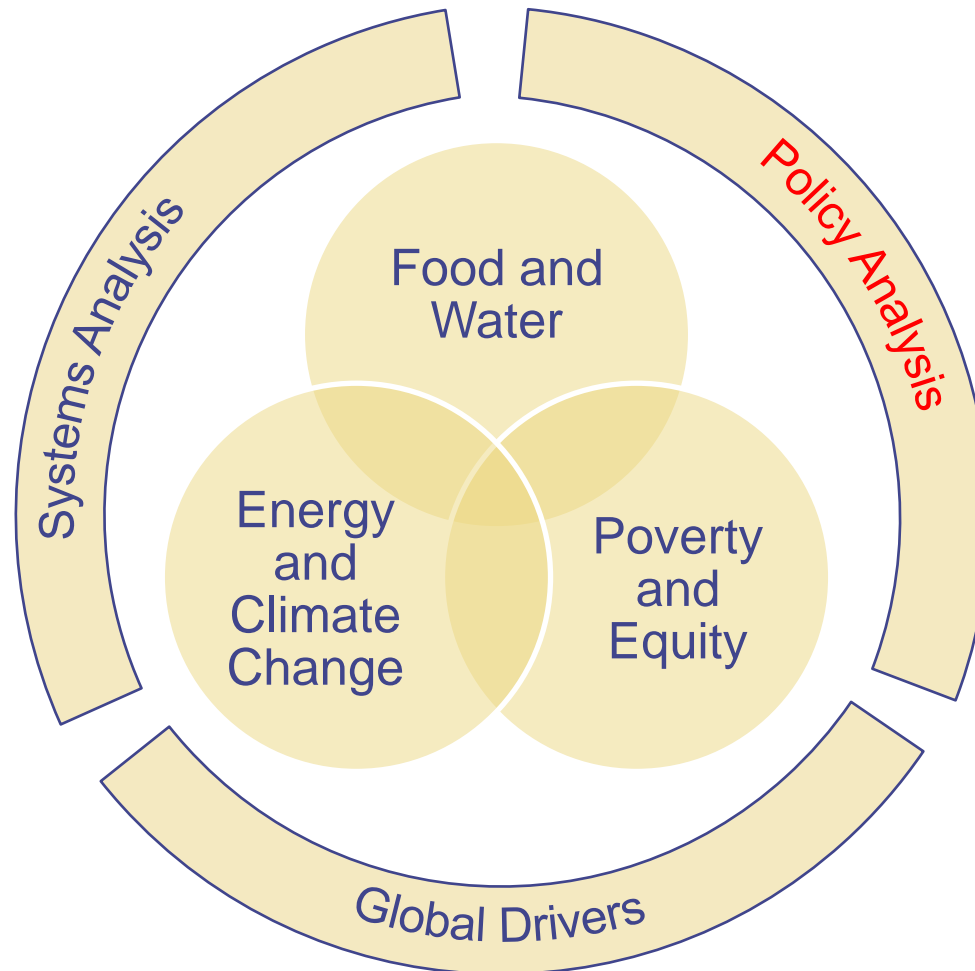
38% NATURAL SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS

# Science Based

IIASA SCIENCE INCREASINGLY PUBLISHED AND CITED



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# Increasing Policy Relevance

- Establishing policy dialogues and relationships
- Linking global research to national policy agendas
- Collaborating with local policy and scientific institutions

# Capacity Building

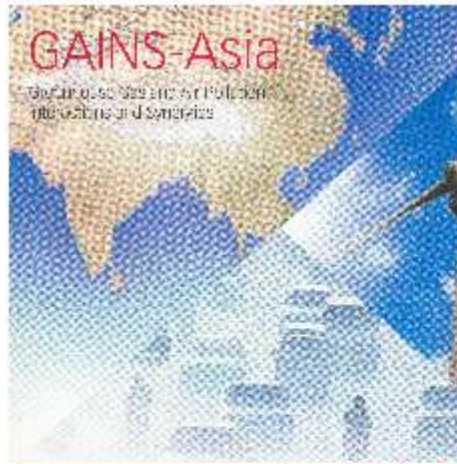


# Japanese YSSPers and Post-doctoral Researchers



IIASA 日本YSSP ニュースレターづくりに携わる  
2008 有志たち。(左上から青木健太郎、見上公一、  
中亭 岡本健一、梅宮知佐、金田さやか、佐々木達矢)

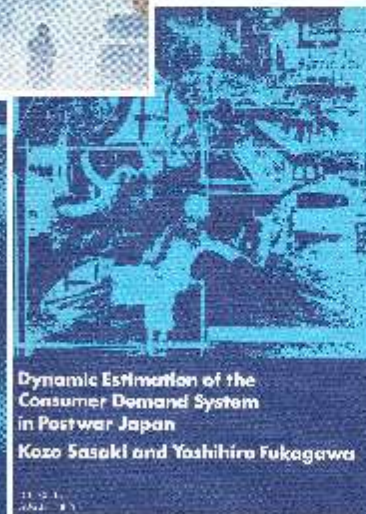
# Relevance of IIASA Research for Japan



IIASA's long-term and broadly-focused research on Japan covers such topics as:

- Modeling Air Pollution and Greenhouse Gas Reduction (GAINS – Asia)

- Health
- Population Aging
- Population Structure
- Regional Development
- Urban Development
- Transport
- Land-use Change
- Disaster Prevention
- Technology and Economy
- Consumer Demand



# Japanese Partners of IIASA

- RITE
- NIES
- DPRI
- TCRDL
- Tokyo Gas Co.
- Kyoto University
- CRIEPI
- ADORC
- TEPCO
- Tokyo Res. Labs
- Toyota
- JAIST
- Japan Foundation

# Publications 2008-2009

- Three edited books
- 33 journal articles
- Three other publications

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Including Japanese authors or co-authors

# In 2020.....

.....policy makers all over the world will first turn to IIASA for help, when faced with a global problems.

# Thank You

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