100% Renewables Main Key to Achieve SDGs

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Climate-Activist Greta Thunberg at the World Economic Forum in Davos

- "Our house [earth] is on fire"
- "the main answer is so simple that even a small child can understand it:
 We have to stop the emissions of greenhouse gases."
- "I want you to panic [...], to act is if it were a crisis."





Impact of 3 °C Global Warming by 2050: Existence of Human Civilization is Threatened

2050 Scenario: degradation, sea level rise and scarcity of resources lead to one billion people being displaced, an increase of armed conflicts and a possible nuclear war.

3°C ("business as usual") means for 2050:

- Sea level rise of 0.5m by 2050: Miami, New York, Shanghai, Amsterdam threatened by inundation.
- Annually, 55% of the global population are subject to more than 20 days of **lethal heat conditions**.
- Desertification emerges over more than 30% of the world's land surface: Food production inadequate to feed the global population. Water scarcity affects 2 billion people worldwide.

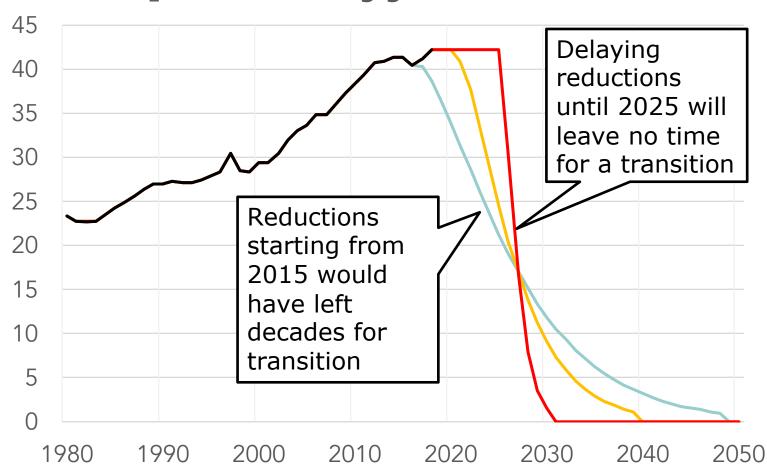
This can only be prevented by a **global zero-emission** system by 2030 at the latest.





Global GHG Emissions Must Come to Zero by 2030 to Reach the Paris Target of 1.5 °C

Global CO₂ emissions in gigatons



Crisis of Global Warming and Energy Dependencies can only be Solved with two Parallel Strategies:

1. Stop greenhouse gas emissions (best by 2030)

(Not only reduction of emissions)

- Switch to 100% renewables
- Complete stop the use of fossil & nuclear energies in energy, chemistry, transport, agriculture

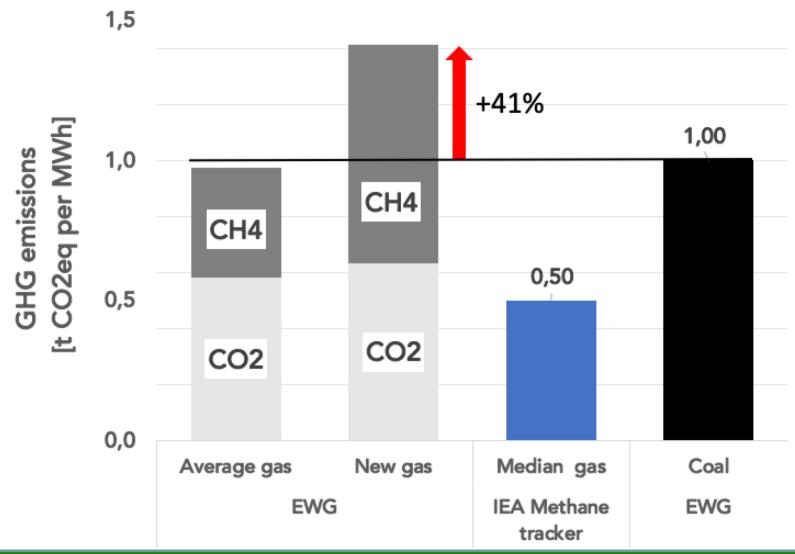
2. Taking out carbon out of the atmosphere

- Convert plants to humus soil (biocoal)
- Large-scale afforestation, greening of arid areas
- Organic agriculture

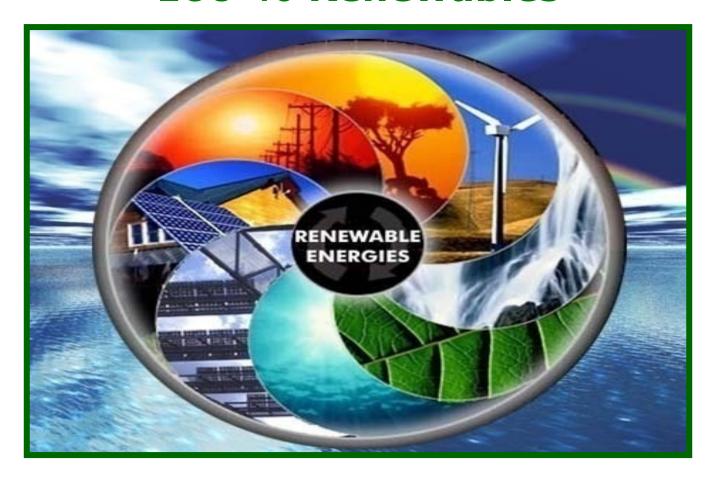
The target must be 330 ppm CO₂

This would lead to <u>global cooling</u> instead of global warming and to increased energy independency

Natural Gas for Electricity: +41% Global Warming Methane Emissions more than Offset any CO₂ Savings by far



Future Energy Production: 100 % Renewables



Solar, Wind, Bioenergy, Hydro, Ocean, Geothermal

Renewable Energy is a Major Contributing Factor to Most SDGs





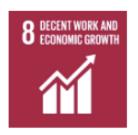


























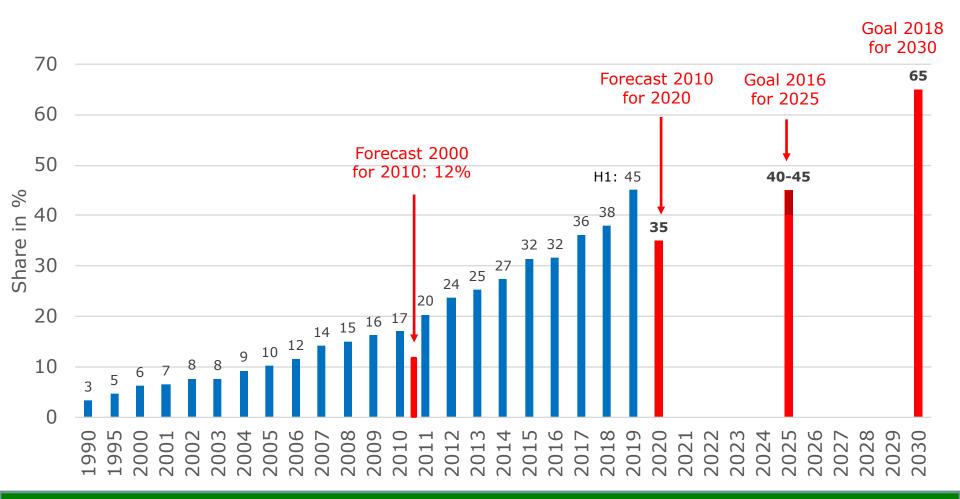






Political Support (Feed-In Tariff) Stimulates Renewable Growth

Share of renewable electricity in Germany



German District Rhein-Hunsrück: Energy Transition - A Success Story



1995

Energy import ratio: 100% Costs: €300m (≈13% BIP)

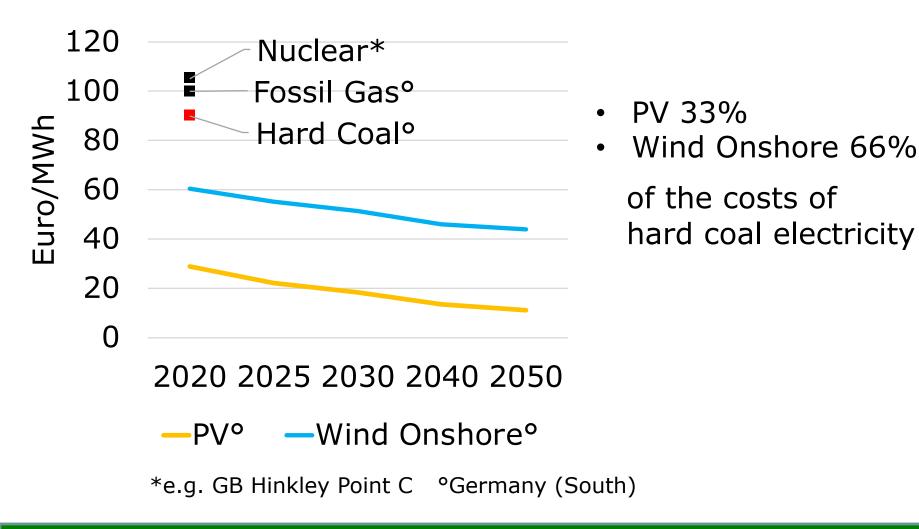
Almost 100% fossil energy

Unemployment rate 1995: 8,3%



- Unemployment rate 2018: 3,5%
- Financial Zero-Emissions-District across the sectors power, heat & waste
- Renewable energies provide over 300% of power demand
- Annual revenue of €44m due to renewables
- Reserves of €84m held by municipalities
- Lowest debt level in the whole state
- Approx. 53% GDP-growth since 1999 (5% above state-wide average)

LCoE of Wind and Solar PV fairly below of Nuclear/Fossil Energy: Gap likely to increase



Double Harvest with Agro-PV:



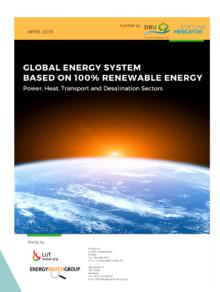


- Solar power & grain
- Solar power & animal welfare
- Shading protects soil moisture
- PV on 1% of the world's agricultural land covers entire global energy demand

New Study by EWG & LUT Shows:

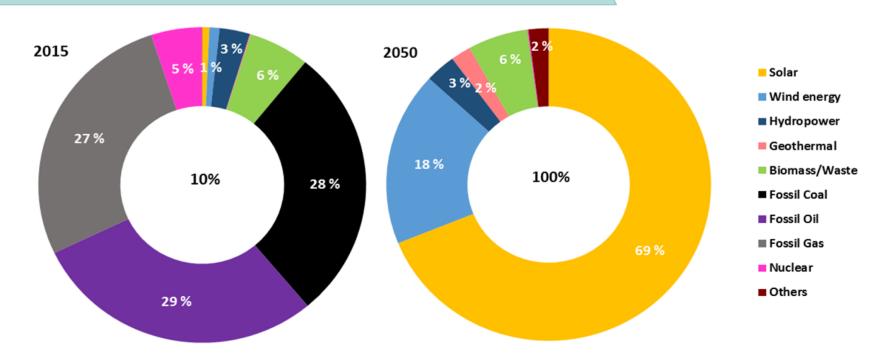
The energy transition is not a question of technical feasibility or economic viability, but one of political will.

100% renewable energy worldwide is more cost effective than the current energy system and leads to zero emissions before 2050.



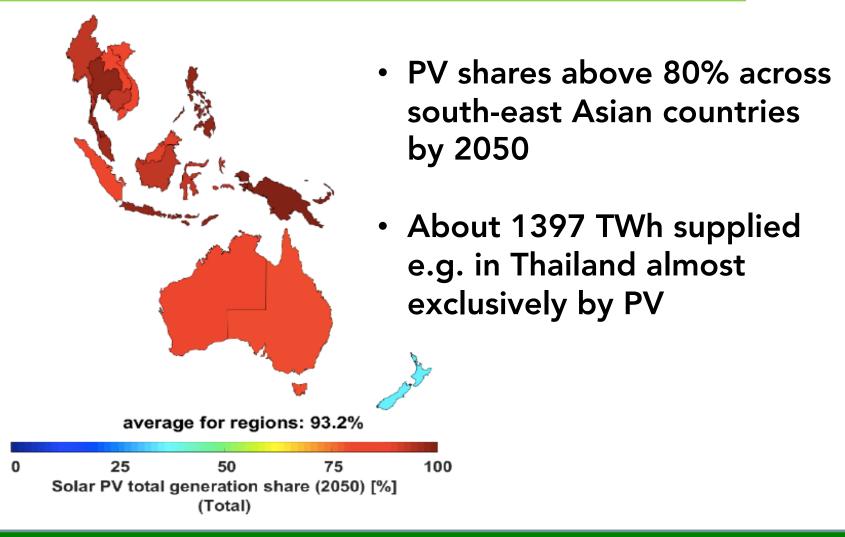
Largely domestic energy systems based on 100% renewables will create energy independence and support millions of local jobs in the energy sector.

Solar and Wind Will Dominate the 100% Renewable World

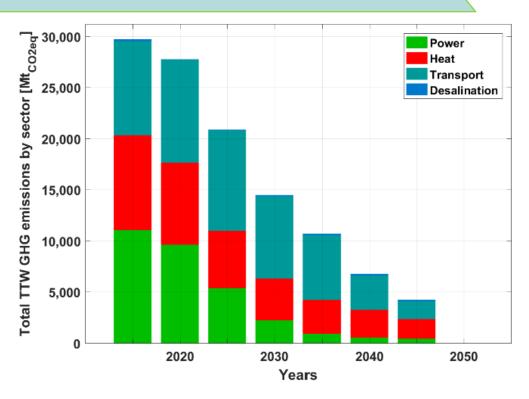


Primary energy source	Solar	Wind	Biomass/ Waste	Hydro	Geo- thermal
Share in 2050	69%	18%	6%	3%	2%

100% Renewables in South-East Asia: 93% of Energy from PV



Greenhouse Gases Emissions



- \gt Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions can be reduced from around 30,000 MtCO_{2eq} in 2015 to zero by 2050 across all energy sectors
- > Remaining cumulative GHG emissions: 422 GtCO_{2eq} from 2018 to 2050
- The presented 100% RE scenario is compatible with the Paris Agreement for 1.5°C

Jatropha: Fighting Desertification & Producing Renewable Biofuel

Jatropha:

- Global growth potential: 6,7 mio km²
- Energy potential: 2,2700 TWh
- Cultivation in areas unusable for food production
- No conflicts between food & Jatropha

Benefits:

- ➤ Job Generation (e.g. 84 mio in Africa)
 - ➤ Preventing forced migration
- >Jatropha oil able to substitute aviation fuel demand (263 mt)
- >Creating new Farmland
- ➤ Natural Carbon Sink
- >Jatropha plantations in semi-arid areas is a powerful tool to fight climate change, desertification, poverty and migration at the same time



Jatropha plant in Fuerte Ventura

Thank you very much for your attention!

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