
Sustainable Energy Mix for the Future – Example Germany



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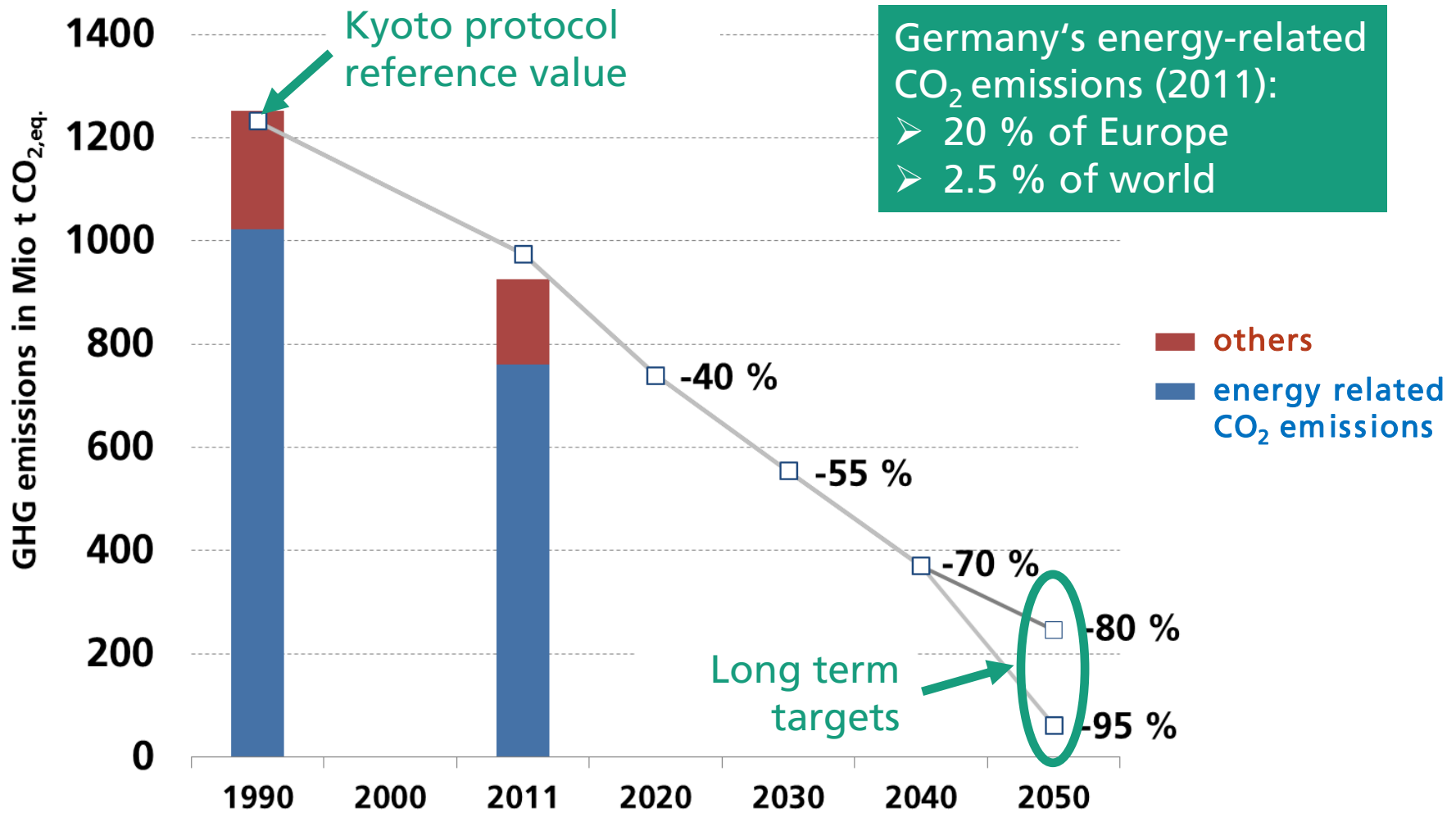
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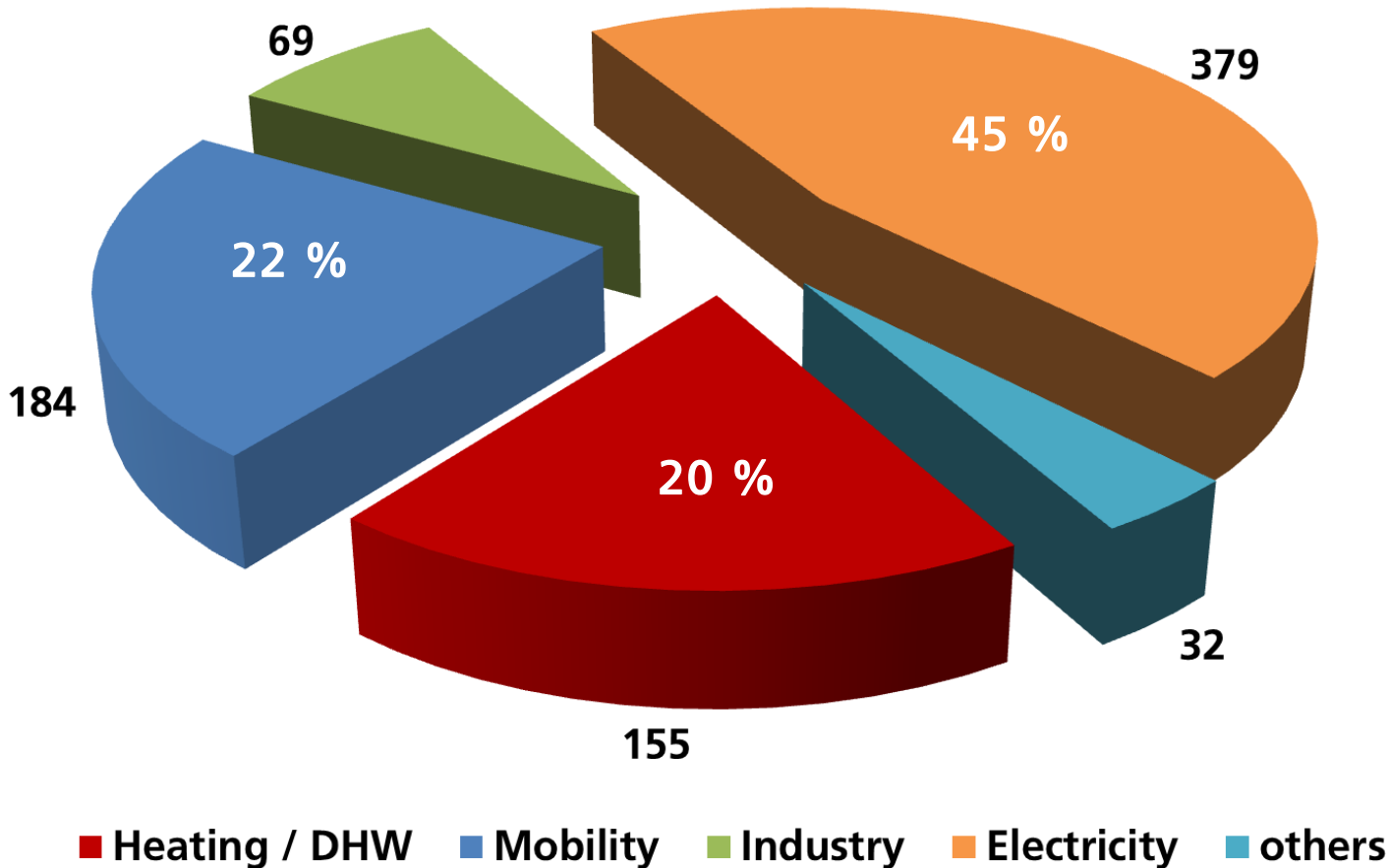
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Germany's greenhouse gas emissions – history and targets



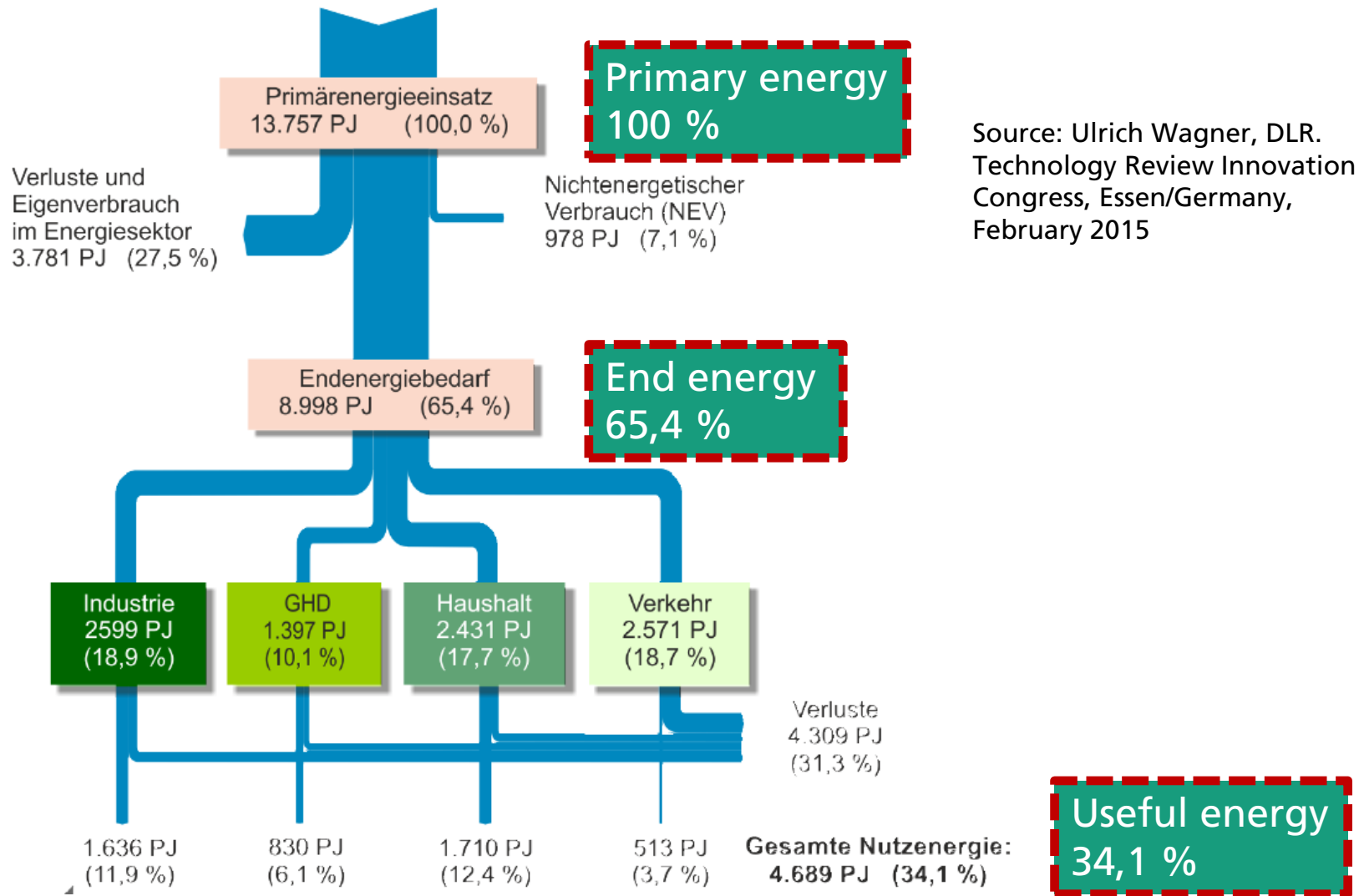
Germany's energy-related CO₂ emissions (2008)

Distribution among sectors (Mio tons)



source: "Politikszenerarien für den Klima-schutz VI - Treibhausgas-Emissions-szenarien bis zum Jahr 2030", Öko-Institut et al. im Auftrag des Umwelt-bundesamtes (UBA), März 2013

Energy flow chart of today (Germany, 2012)



Source: Ulrich Wagner, DLR. Technology Review Innovation Congress, Essen/Germany, February 2015

Means to achieve long term targets

- Increase **efficiency of conversion** from primary to end energy
- Increase **efficiency** on **end-use** side
- Replace fossil (and nuclear) energy by use of **renewable energies**

Important boundary conditions

- No nuclear energy (fade out in 2022)
- No carbon capture and sequestration/storage

Specific long term goals of the German government (2050)

Overall

- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 80 % to 95 % (compared to 1990)
- Cutting the total primary energy demand by 50 % (compared to 2008)
- Renewable energy fraction of 60 % of gross final energy demand

Electricity

- Reduction of consumption by 25 % (compared to 2008)
- Renewable energy fraction of 80 % in electricity production

Building sector

- Almost carbon neutral building sector
- Reduction of primary energy by 80 %

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Optimization of Germany's future energy system

Mimimize total annual cost (operation, maintenance, ...)



REMod-D

Renewable Energy Model – Deutschland

Techno-economic optimization based on comprehensive simulation (hourly time scale)

Electricity generation, storage and end-use



Fuels (including biomass and synthetic fuels from RE)



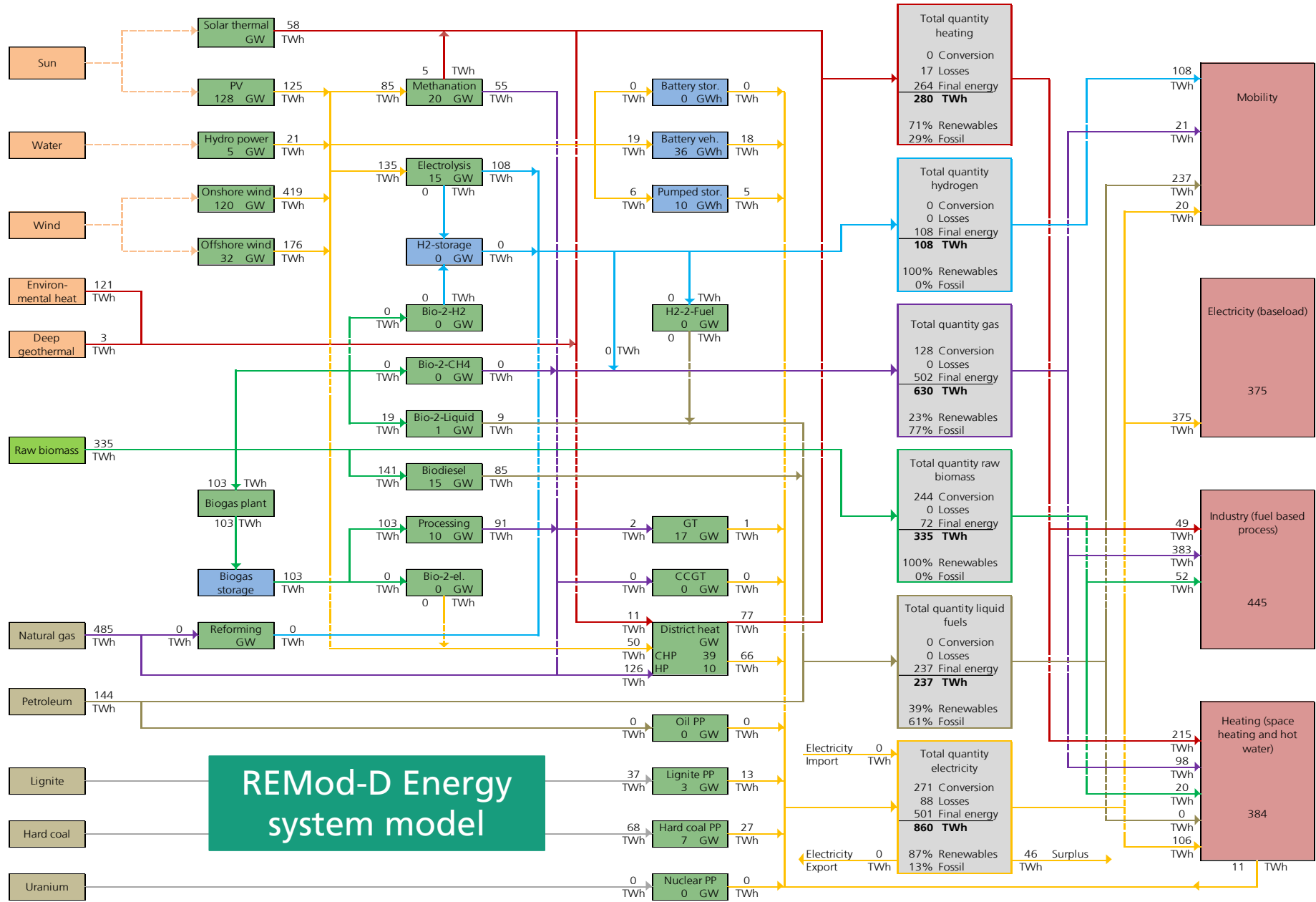
Mobility (battery-electric, hydrogen, conv. fuel mix)



Heat (buildings, incl. storage and heating networks)



Processes in industry and tertiary sector



Renewable energy sources	Renewable raw materials	Primary fossil energy carrier	Energy conversion	Storage	Consumption sector	Hydrogen	Raw biomass	CO2 emissions 1990 (reference year)	990 Mio t CO ₂
						Heat	Liquid fuels	CO2 emissions	196 Mio t CO ₂
						Gas	Electricity	CO2 reduction related to 1990:	80%

Optimized system – Electricity

CHP = combined heat & power



Photovoltaics
~ 147 GW_{el}



Onshore
Wind
~ 120 GW_{el}



Offshore Wind
~ 32 GW_{el}

Medium and large size CHP
(connected to district heating)
~ 60 GW_{el}



Heat

CHP = combined heat & power



Solar thermal
~ 42 GW_{th}



Solar thermal
~40 GW_{th}



Heat pumps

- ~ 22 GW_{th} (el., ground)
- ~ 19 GW_{th} (el., air)
- ~ 15 GW_{th} (gas)



CHP in heat networks

- ~ 60 GW_{el} installed capacity
- ~ 15 GW_{th} centralized heat pumps

Storage



Stationary batteries
Total ~24 GWh (e.g.
8 Mio units with 3
kWh each)



Pumped storage
power plants
42 units with a total
of 60 GWh



Electrolysers with
total capacity of 33
GW_{el} (needed for
mobility)



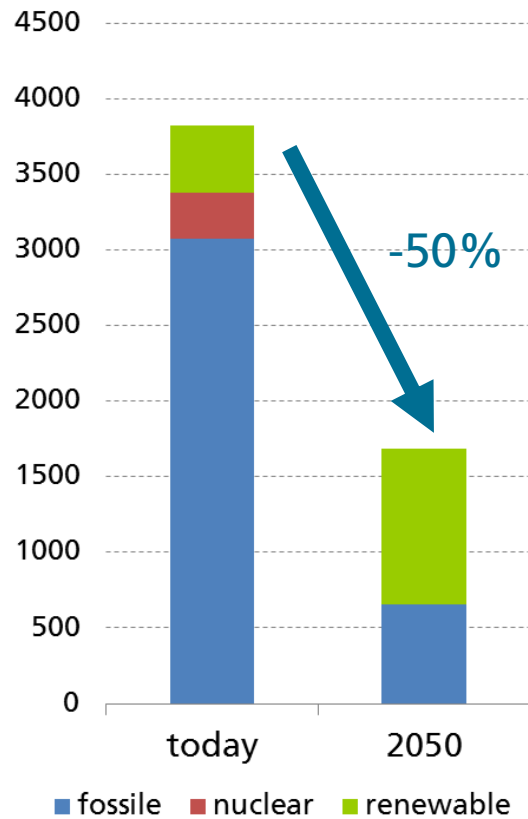
Heat buffers in buildings
Total ~320 GWh (e.g. 7 Mio
units with 800 Litres each)



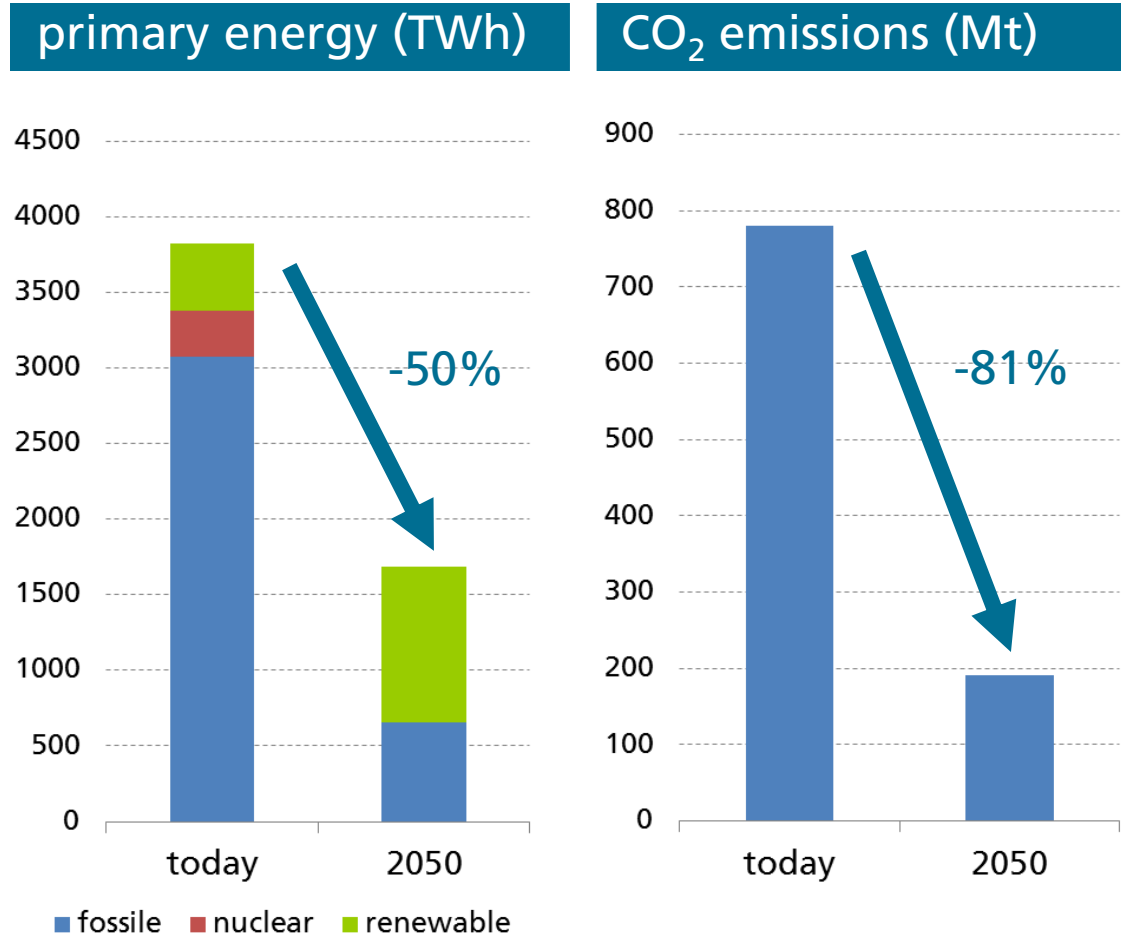
Large scale heat storage in
district heating systems
Total ~350 GWh (e.g. 150
units with 50.000 m³ each)

Today's system vs. optimized system in 2050

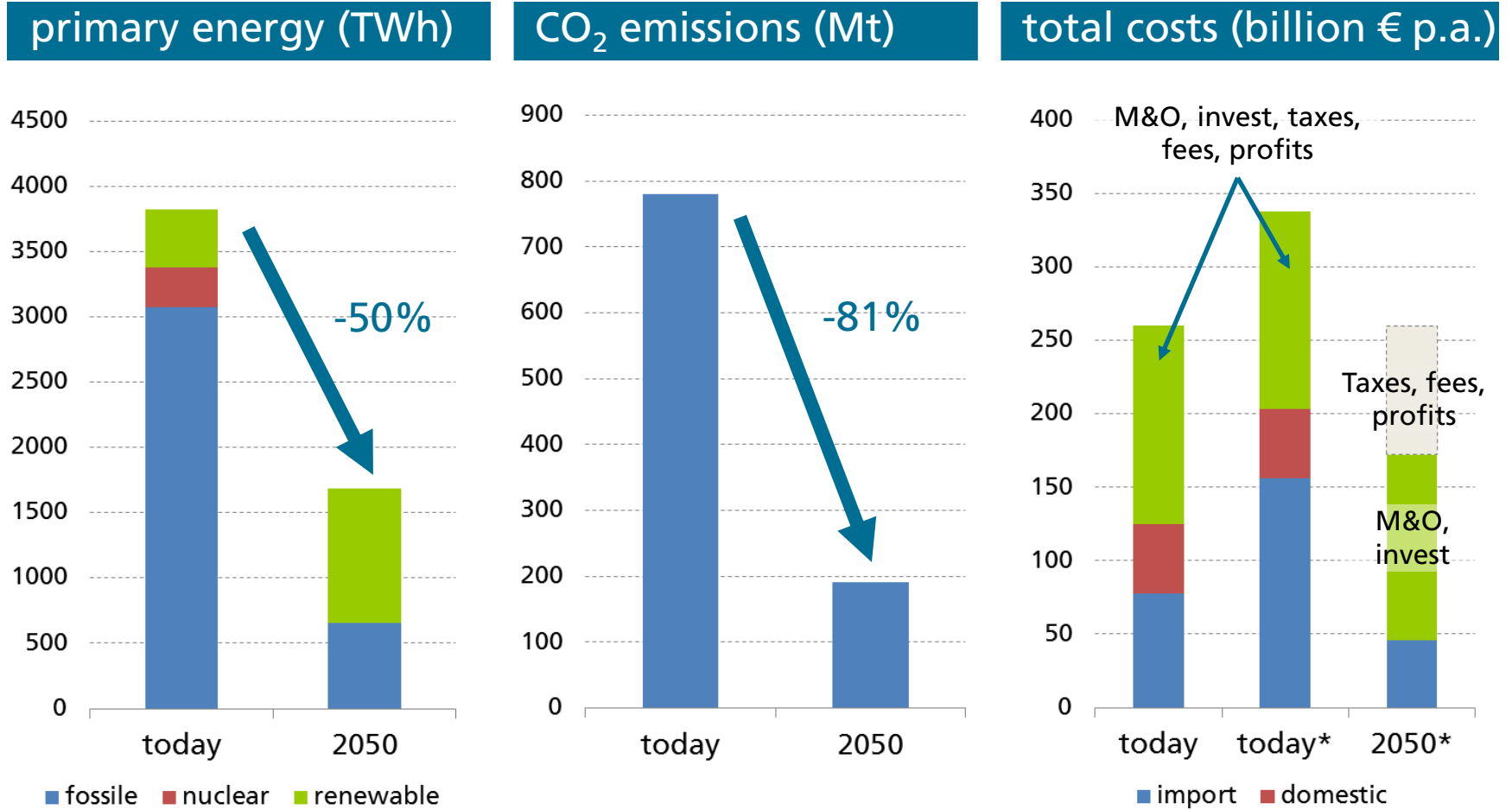
primary energy (TWh)



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*Assumed doubling of fossil fuel prices by 2050

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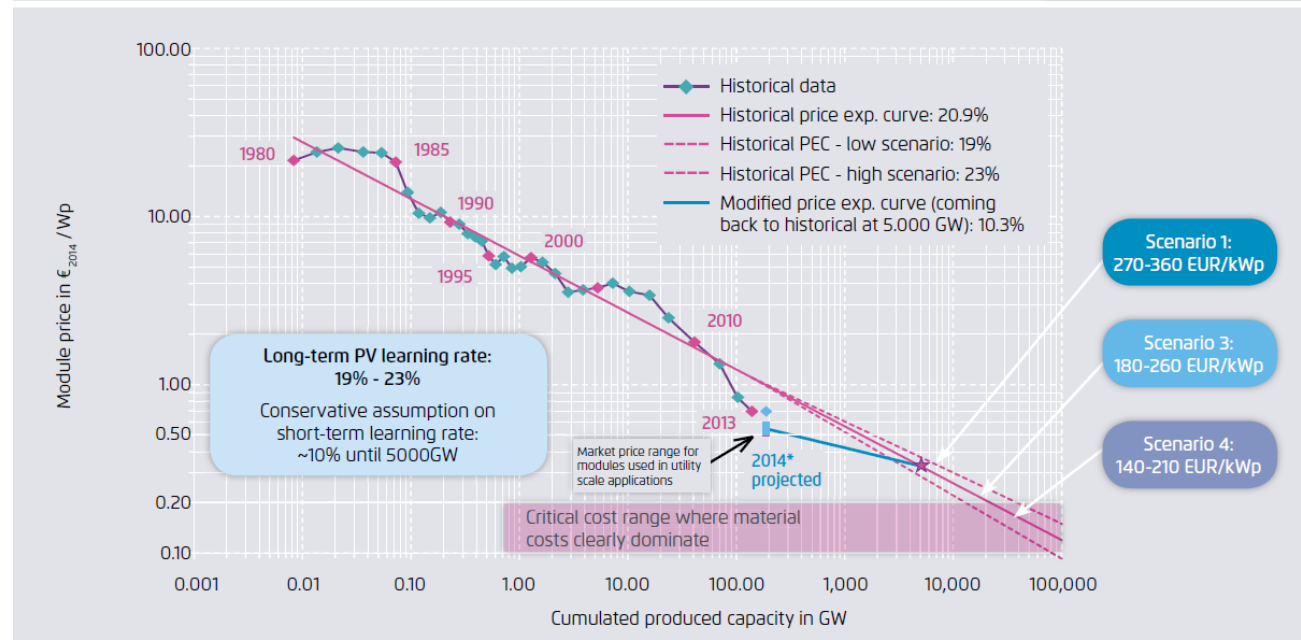


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Extrapolation of the price experience curve for PV modules



Own illustration

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Continuous increase of efficiency in end-use sectors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Energetic refurbishment (building stock) ➢ Reduction of electricity use in classical end-use applications (e.g. artificial lighting, pumps and drives, ...) ■ Continuous extension of renewable energy converters (solar, wind, geothermal) 			

Transition steps

flexible operation of conventional power plants

grid expansion (transmission, distribution)

power-to-heat (district heating)

expansion CHP + heat storage

demand side management (industry, households)

Electric short term storage (pumped hydro, batteries)

broad use of heat pumps for space heating

hydrogen injection in natural gas network

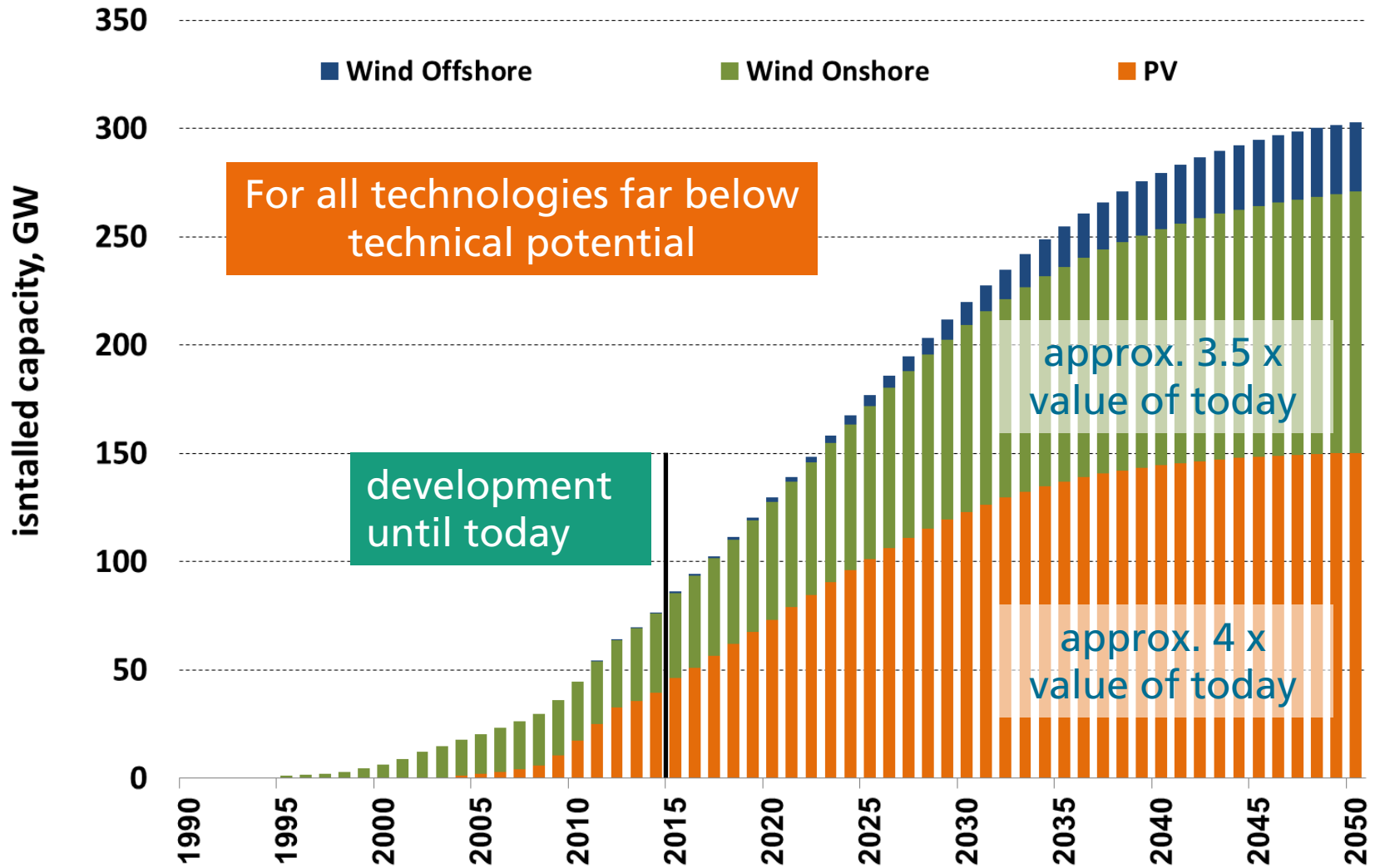
synth. fuels for transportation

synth. fuels electr./heat

today

2050

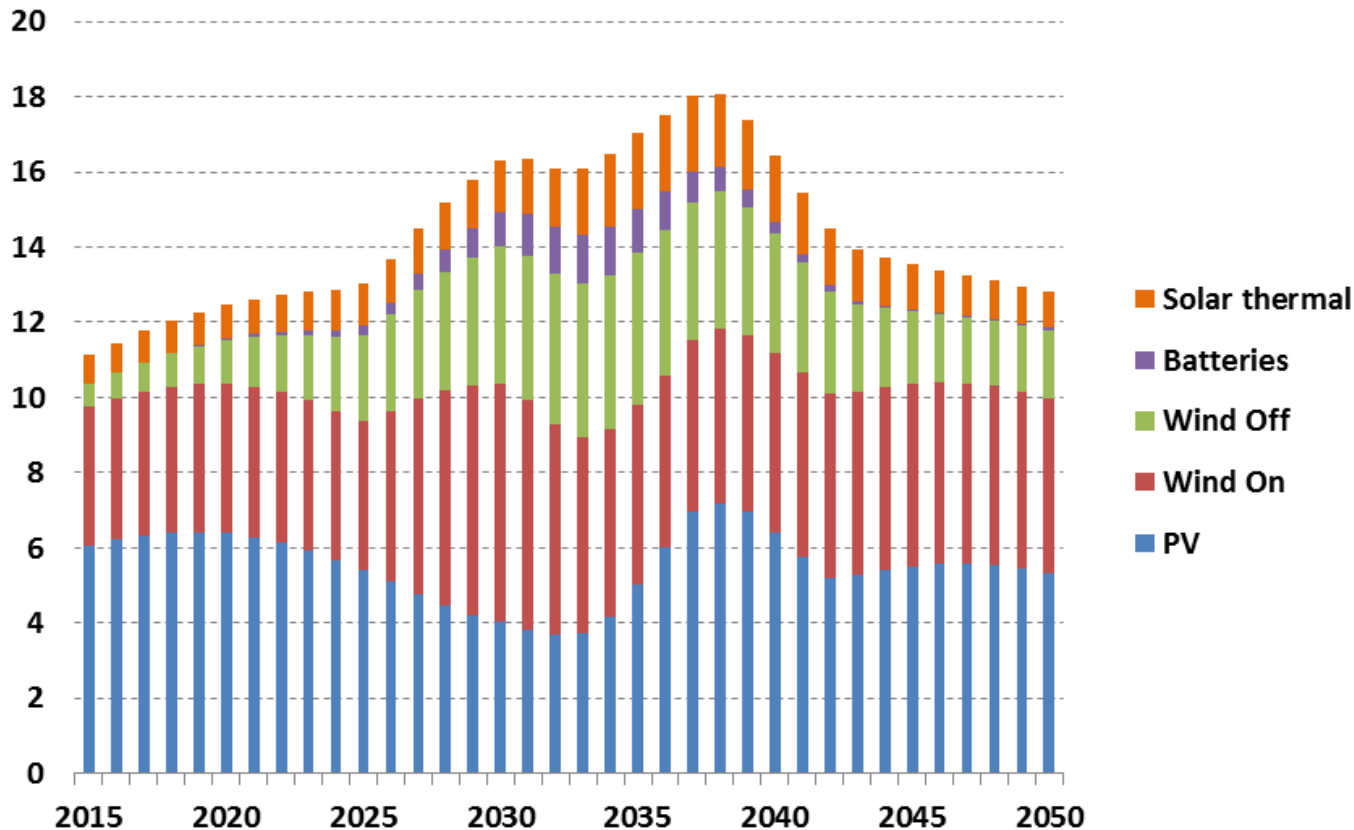
Projection of RE development



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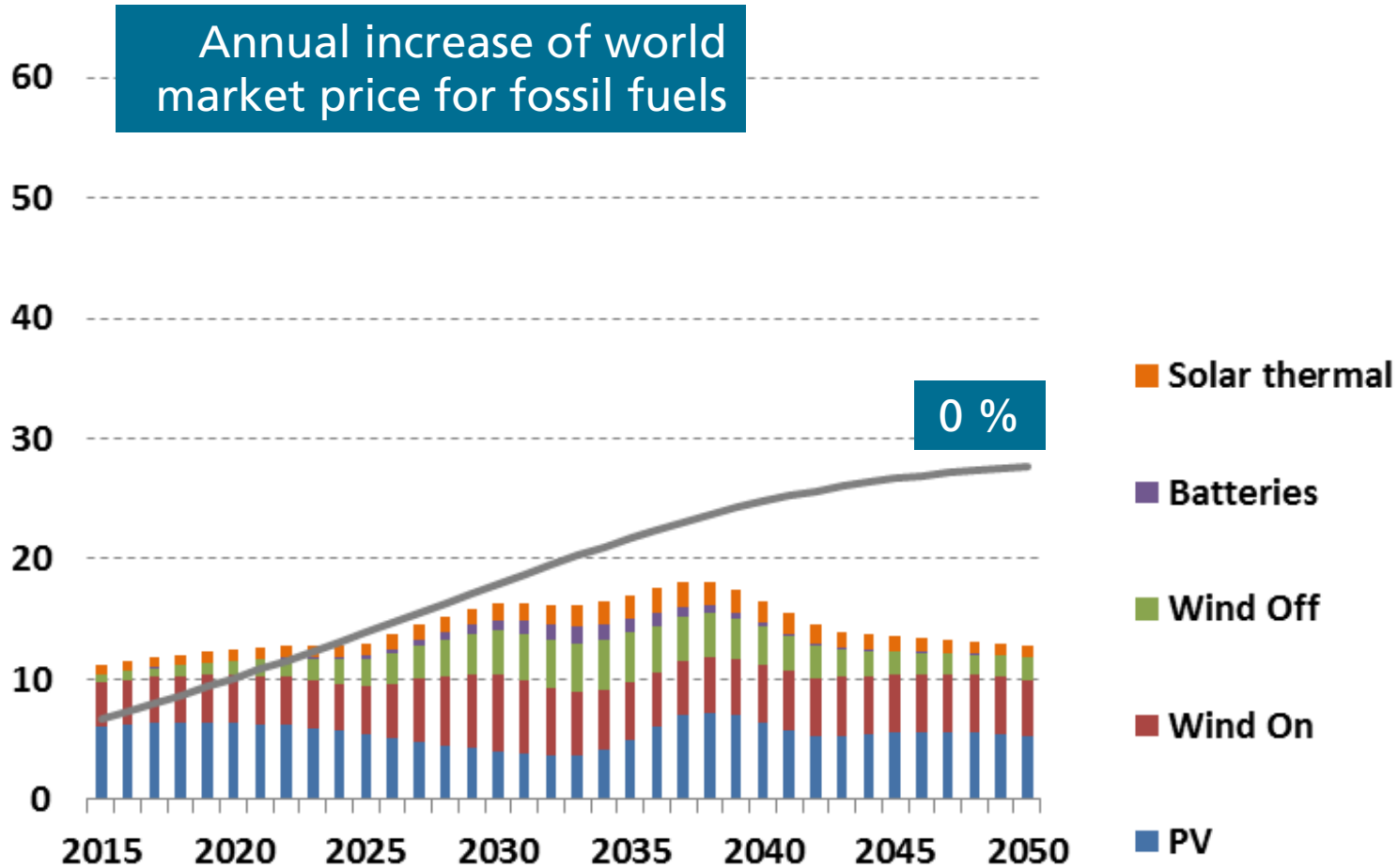
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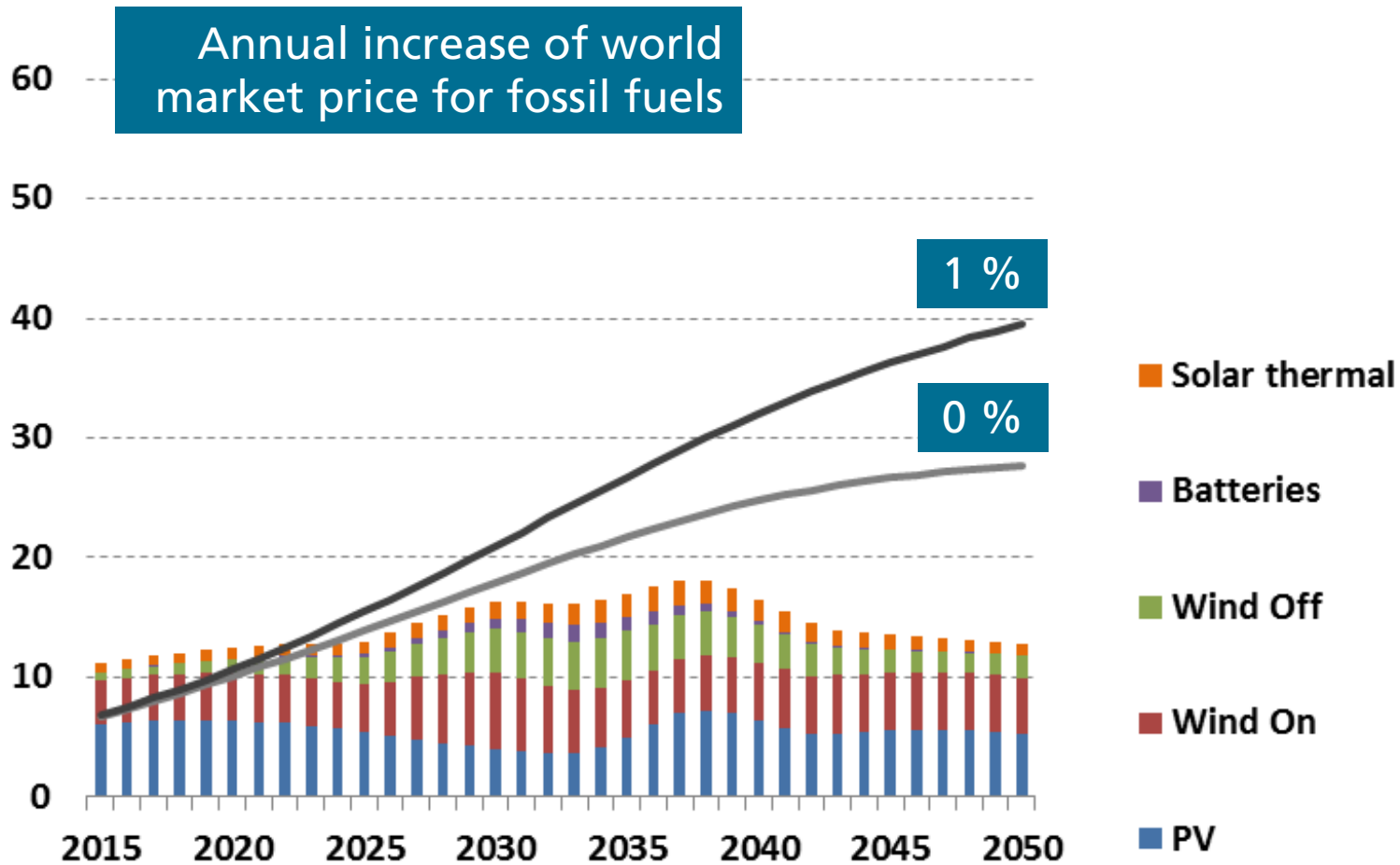


Total investments (w/o capital cost, incl. re-powering) from 2015 to 2050:
515 bln €₂₀₁₄

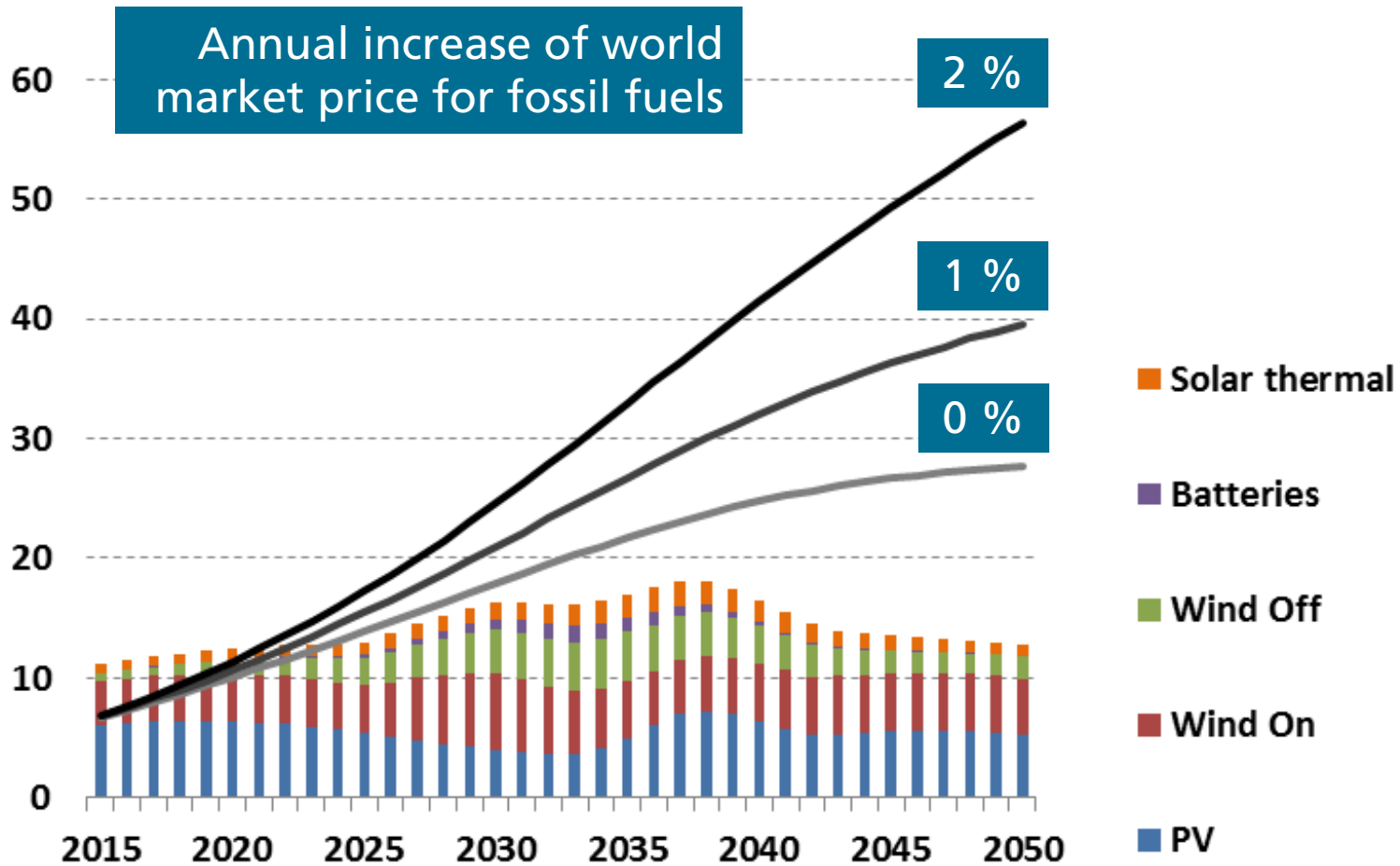
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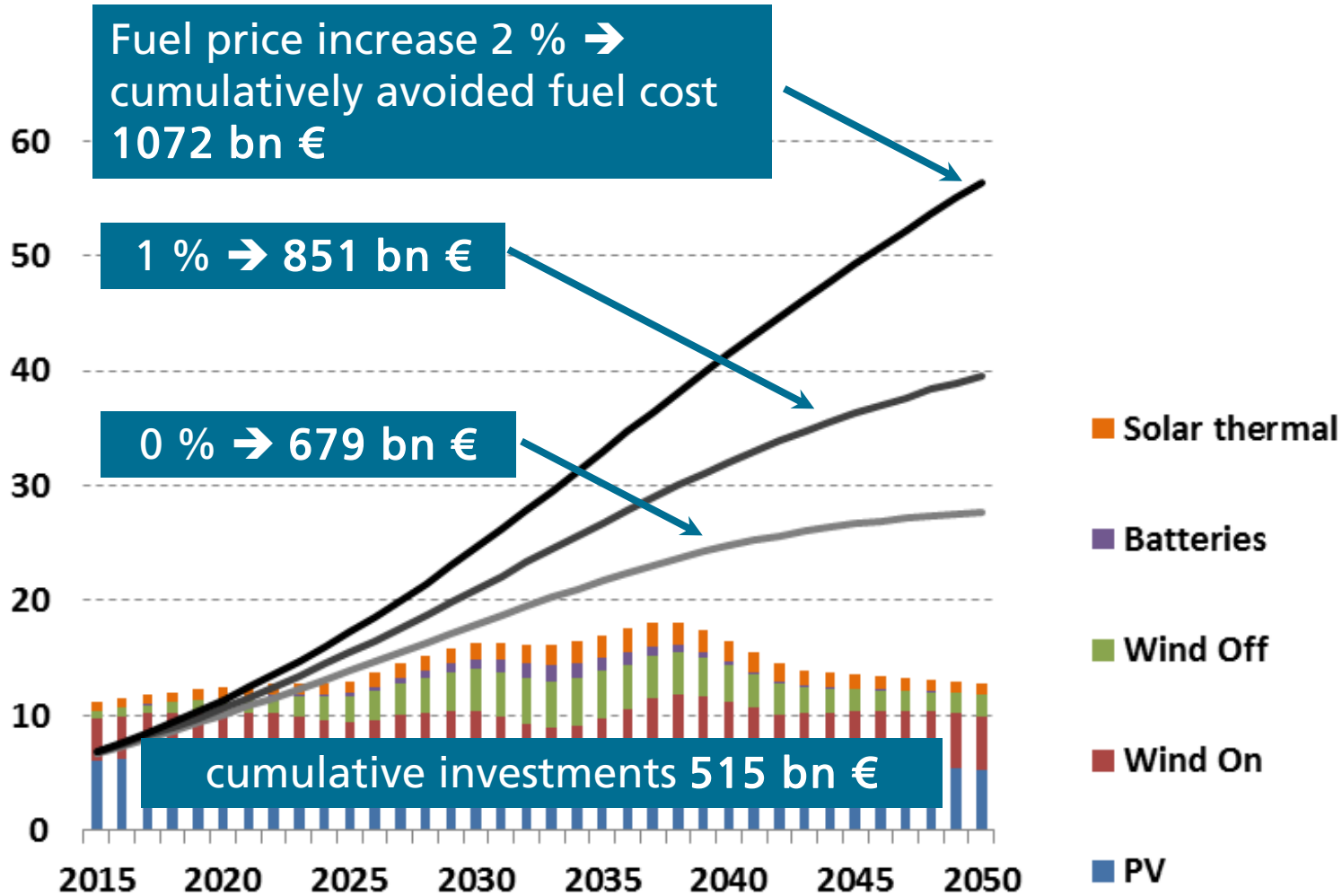
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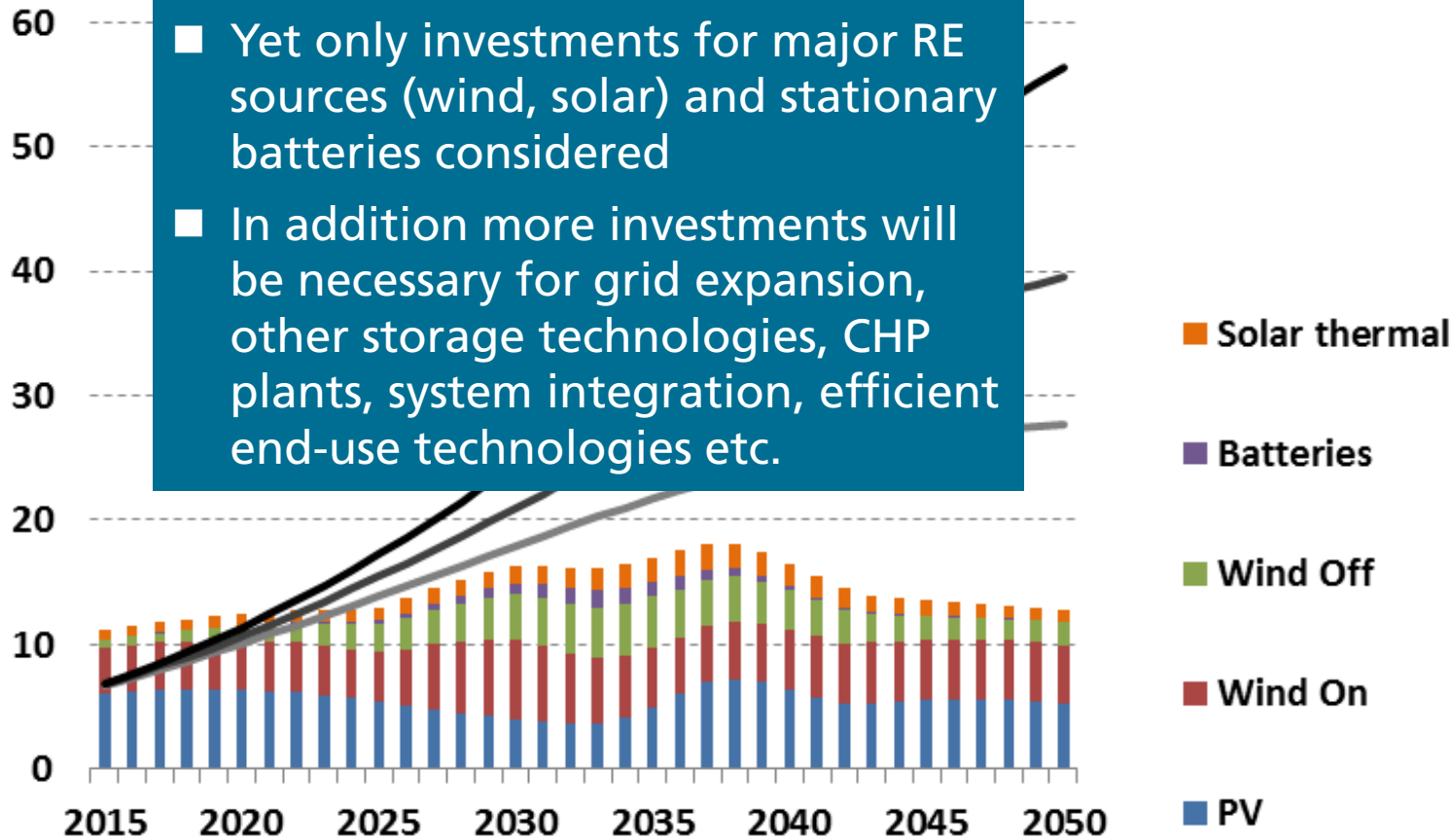
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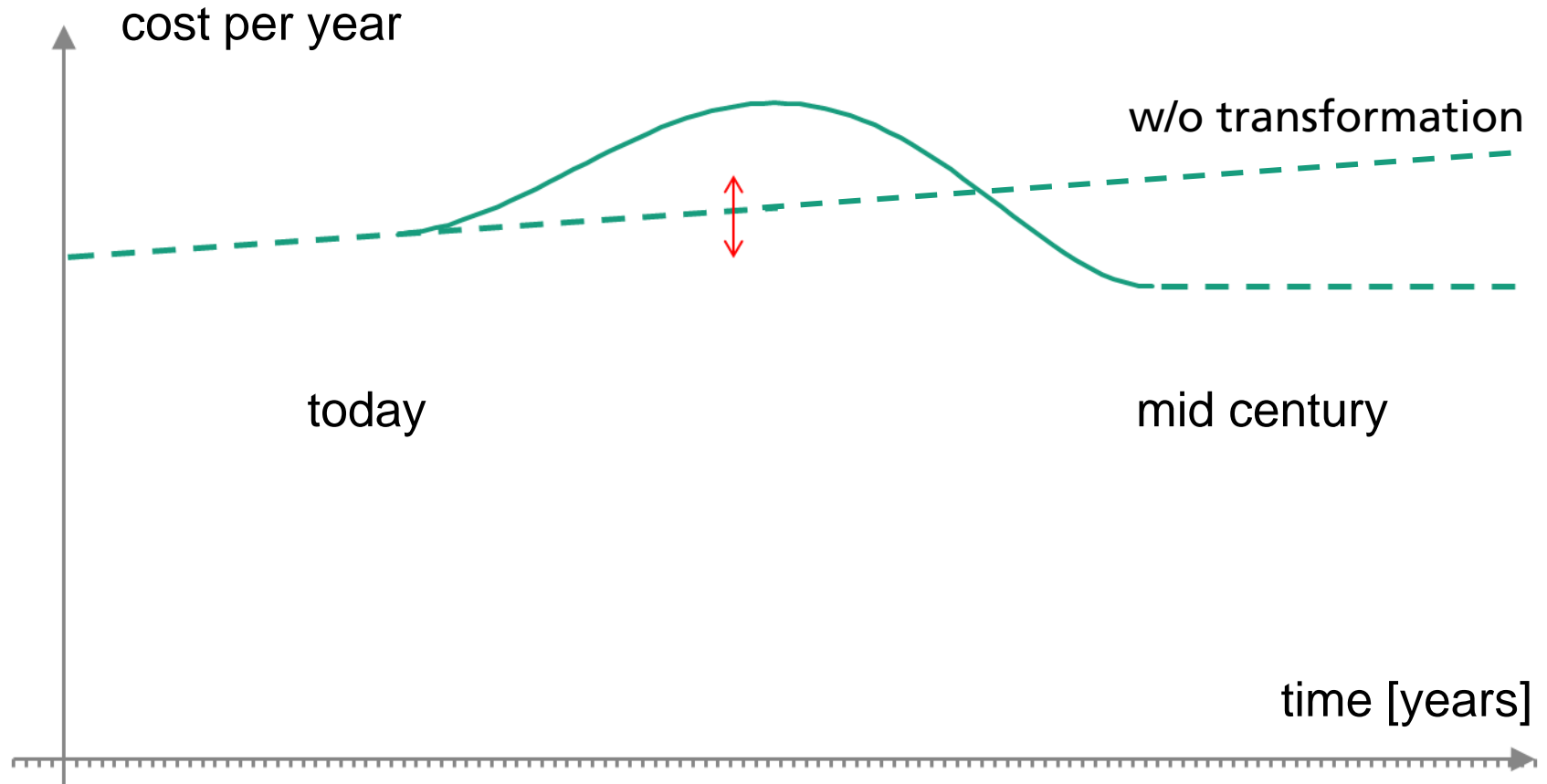
Important to notice

- Yet only investments for major RE sources (wind, solar) and stationary batteries considered
- In addition more investments will be necessary for grid expansion, other storage technologies, CHP plants, system integration, efficient end-use technologies etc.



Transformation of the energy system

Qualitative trend of total annual cost



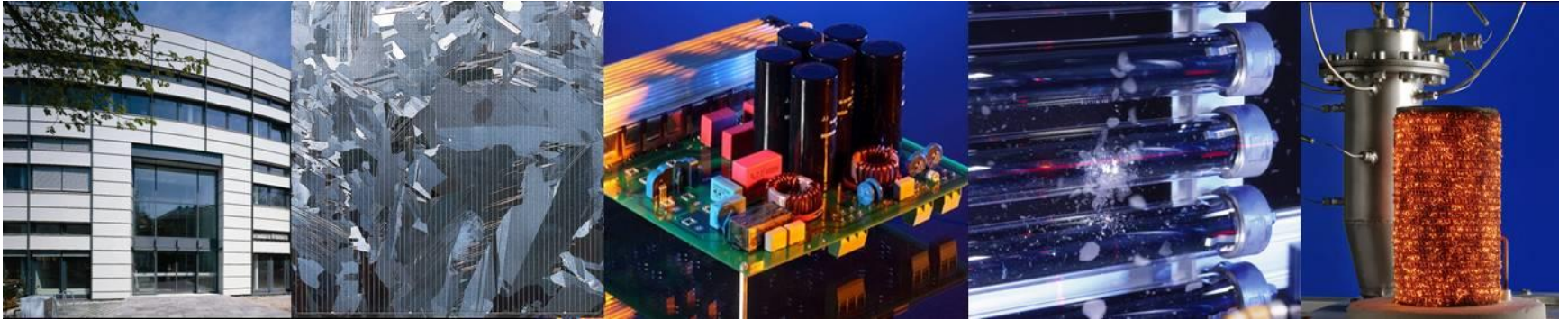
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- Reduction of energy-related CO₂ emissions by 80 % and above possible
- Lower cost on long term (once major transformation completed)
- Significantly reduced dependence on imports of energy resources
- Fluctuating renewable energies (wind, solar PV) become backbone of electricity generation and dominate the overall system
- Flexibilization of residual electricity production and electricity use in all end-use sectors (mobility, heating)
- Intersectorial integration important: electricity, heat, transportation, industry processes
- Significant local value and employment creation
- Results can be transferred to other industrialized regions or countries
- Ongoing further model development: optimization of transformation pathway (minimizing overall transformation cost)

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