

Climate change and nuclear power from IAEA perspective

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- COP-21 \rightarrow Paris Agreement
- Role IAEA
- Decarbonization of the power sector → potential for nuclear power
- Climate action in the broader context of UN SDGs
- IAEA responding to COP-21

Introduction to the Paris Agreement



- Annual United Nations Climate Change Conferences
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- Held from 1995 on
- 21st in Paris 2016
- 6th in Den Haag 2000
- 3rd in Kyoto 1997



United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

COP-21 (2015) a turning point in the global climate action, ...not an end point



Paris Agreement - "historic, durable and ambitious"



Goal: 2°C, aspire to 1.5°C Bottom-up: action at the national level <u>Vital:</u> design of rules, processes and institutions under negotiations for its entry into force in 2020

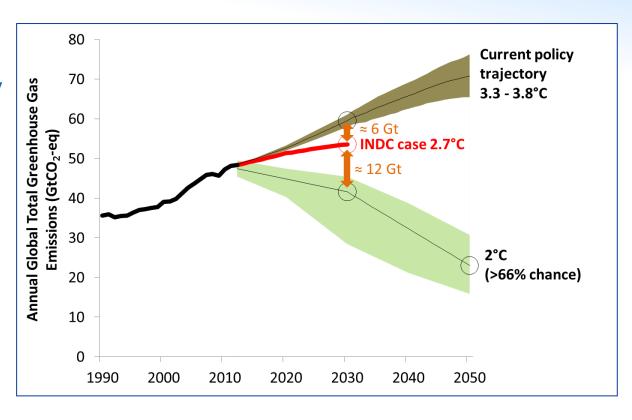
Key features of the Paris Agreement



- long term goal: to limit the average global temperature increase to well below 2°C above preindustrial levels (and aspires to 1.5°C);
- clear signal to policymakers, businesses, investors, and the public: the low-carbon, climate-resilient economy is inevitable;
- providing a dynamic mechanism to take stock and strengthen mitigation ambition over time;
- setting up an enhanced transparency and accountability framework;
- solidarity package with adequate provisions on
 - climate finance
 - addressing needs linked to adaptation, loss and damage

Contributions to curb emissions

- Country plans to curb emissions:
 Intended Nationally
 Determined
 Contributions
 (INDC)
- ➢ INDC help, but still fall short of 2°C target → greater ambition from Countries is needed



Source: Derived from Climate Action Tracker, UNEP and IEA



Paris Agreement emphasizes the role of incentives to reduce emissions



- National mitigation targets formulated by NDCs;
- Price on carbon;
- Support and long-term policy orientation for investors in low carbon energy;
- RD&D investments and technology transfer
- Policy incentives serving joint purposes of sustainable development

137. *Also recognizes* the important role of providing incentives for emission reduction activities, including tools such as domestic policies and carbon pricing;

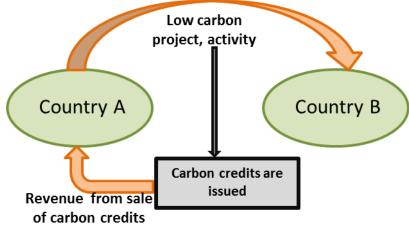
Choose and design policy instruments that are best suited for implementing your country's NDCs !

Paris Agreement: new Mechanism for international cooperation



<u>Mechanism allowing parties to pursue cooperative approaches</u> involving international transfer of mitigation outcomes

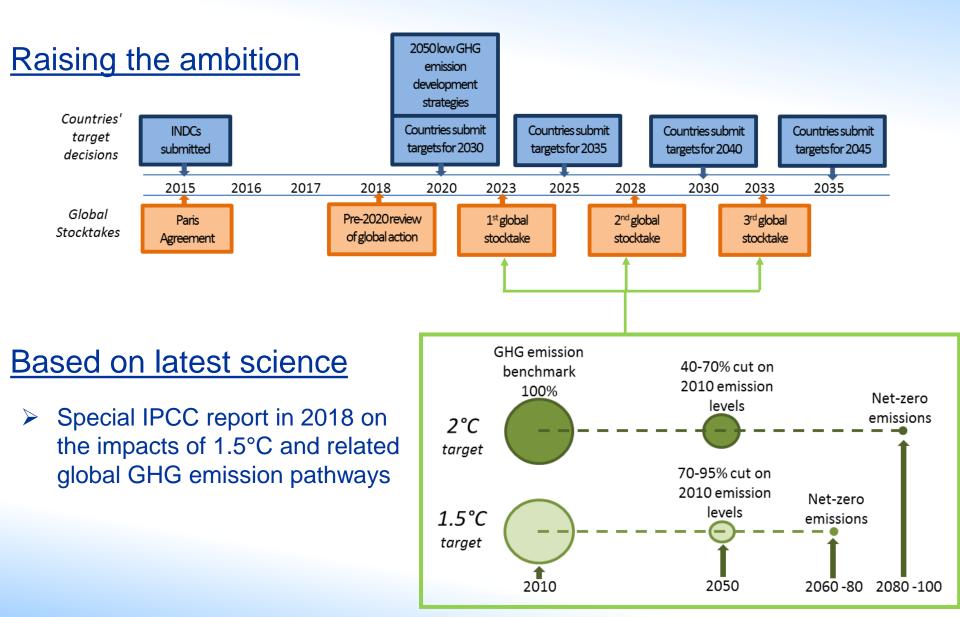




replacement Clean Development Mechanism under Kyoto Protocol?
 restriction or exclusion of nuclear energy would likely increase mitigation costs

Linking policies to science





IAEA at COP-21





Objective: Increase awareness of nuclear energy and technology in addressing climate change.



IAEA Exhibit Booth among other UN Agency booths

Introduction IAEA

- 60 Years
- IAEA is the world's centre for cooperation in the nuclear field
- IAEA seeks to promote the safe, secure and peaceful use of nuclear technologies.
- IAEA is an organization related to the United Nations, reporting to
 - UN General Assembly
 - UN Security Council
- Three main areas of work:
 - Safety and Security
 - Safeguards and Verification
 - Science and Technology



- Research centres and scientific laboratories in Vienna and Seibersdorf, Monaco and Trieste
- Regional safeguards offices in Tokyo and Toronto

IAEA Participates in COP21 as One UN for Climate Action





Pathways to Sustainable Energy for a Climate Friendly World

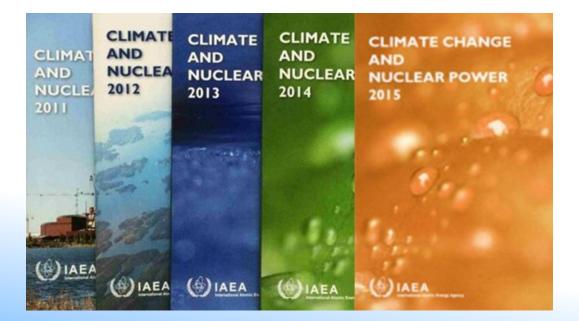


"Nuclear energy has low life-cycle greenhouse gas emissions and has the potential, with innovative technologies, to serve humanity effectively for a very long time"

— — Mikhail Chudakov, Deputy Director General, IAEA

Over 600 copies of Climate Change and Nuclear Power distributed at COP-21

- **60** Years IAEA Atoms for Peace and Development
- 2015 Climate Change and Nuclear Power
- 2014 revised CC&NP report (in French)
- IAEA Bulletin (Climate Change)
- Other Agency publications





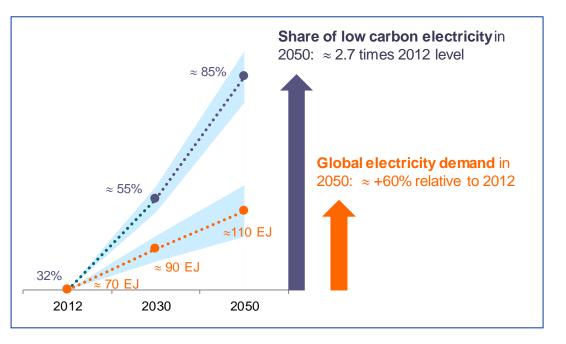
Key to meet goal of Paris Agreement (2°C target): decarbonise power sector



- Energy largest source of global GHG emissions
- Electricity fastest growing share

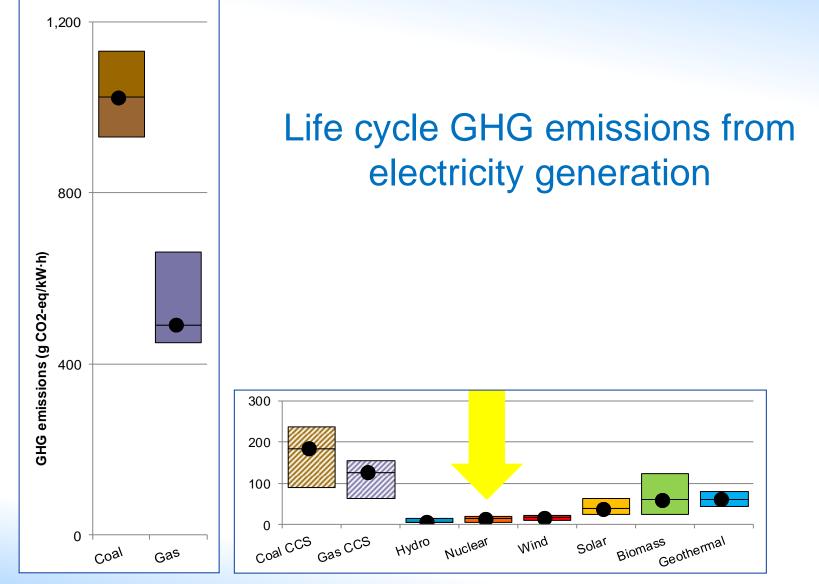


- Massive deployment of low carbon sources of electricity: -renewables, nuclear, CCS
- Apply stringent Energy Efficiency measures to reduce growth of electricity demand



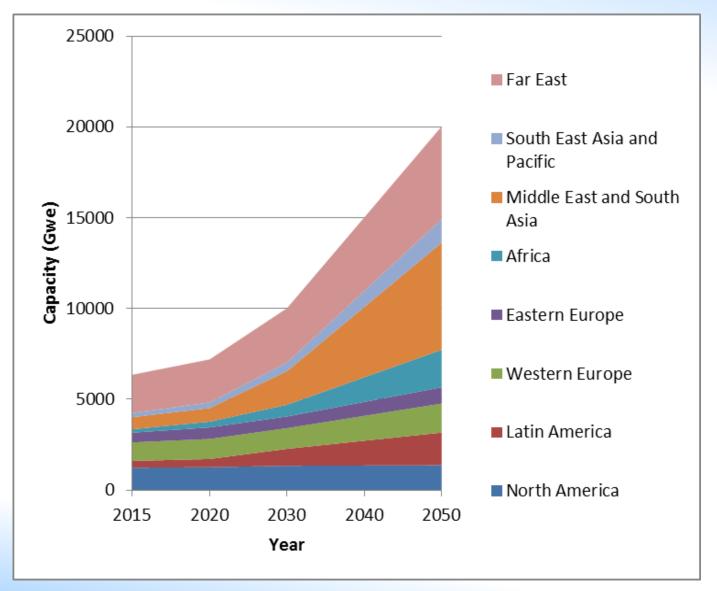
Comparison of GHG emissions of electricity generating technologies





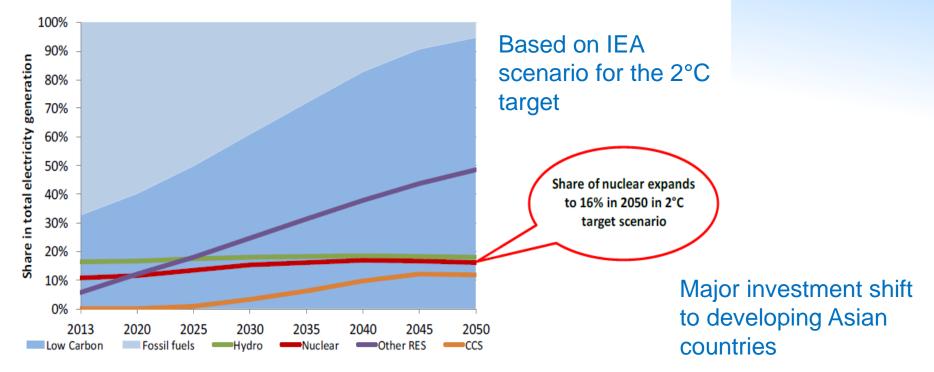
Median value

Electricity generating capacity estimates: 60 Year IAEA 2016 projections (RDS#1)



Decarbonization of the electricity sector: potential of nuclear power





Energy policy scenarios of OECD IEA: take into account broad policy commitments and plans announced by countries, including

- national pledges to support the deployment of renewable energy.
- decisions to expand or phase out nuclear power,
- pledges to reduce GHG emissions,
- plans to phase out fossil energy support.

>2x growth needed to support the Paris () Agreement 2°C target



Nuclear power in 2050 in scenarios consistent with the 2-C target			
-	2014	2050	2050
		IPCC	IEA
Deployment (TW·h)	2400	4 700–13 000	6 800
Rate of change (%/yr)	_	1.9–4.8	2.9

Number of the second size consistent with the 2°C target

- Countries including nuclear energy in INDC: Argentina, China, India, Iran, Japan, Turkey, Belarus, United Arab Emirates, Jordan and Niger
- Other countries do not exclude the possibility of nuclear when raising ambitions (NDCs every 5 years)
- Short term option: plant lifetime extension

Paris Agreement emphasises innovation



<u>Upscaling of public and private RD&D (eg. Breakthrough</u> <u>Energy Coalition)</u>

Innovation: opportunity for nuclear power expansion

Future Revolutionary (GenIV) (eg. programmes NI2050, GAINS)

Small Modular Reactors (SMRs)



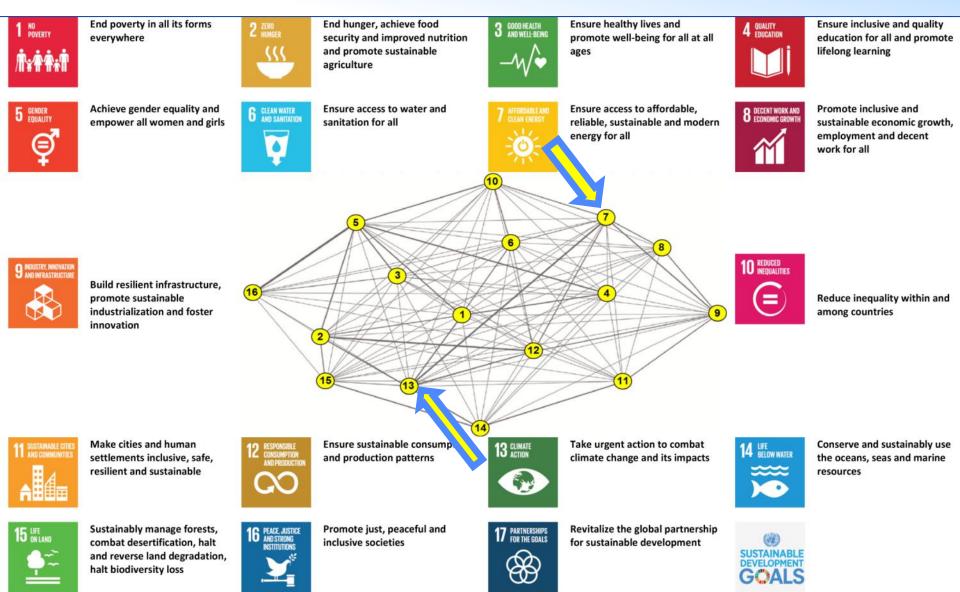
Coupling to UN Sustainable Development Goals



- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) = 17 goals to mobilize efforts to end all forms of poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change
- adopted by world leaders in September 2015 at an <u>historic UN Summit</u>
- On 1 January 2016 officially came into force.
- Action for the next 15 years

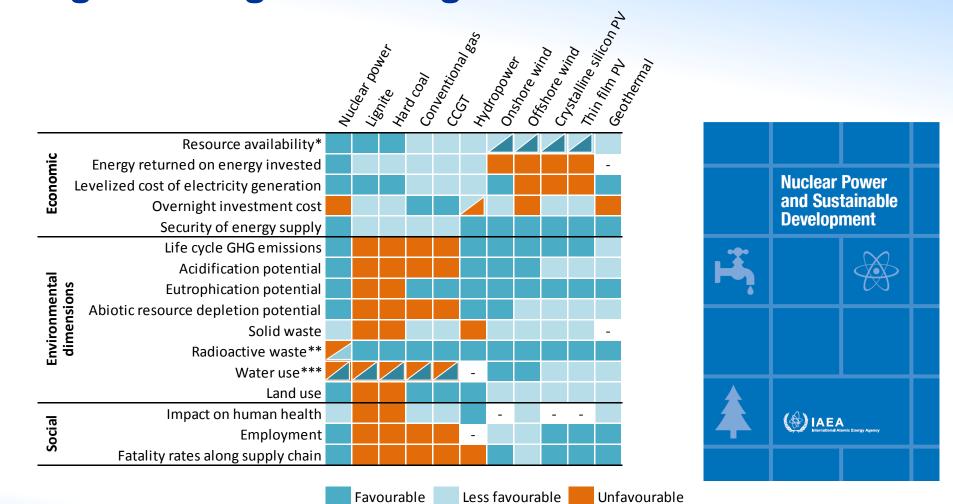
Climate action in the context of Sustainable Development





Comparison of sustainability indicators for generating technologies





The implementation of Paris Agreement together with SDGs might provide additional incentives for nuclear programme development

Post-Paris Agreement Activities



- New Reports
- Continue Communication Outreach
- Support activities (research, training) for Member States to realize their Nationally Determined Contributions (*eg.* CRP, regional training course)
- Continued engagement in collaborative research (UN, IPCC, NEA)
- Couple role of Nuclear addressing Climate Change
 with the new UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Continued engagement at COPs.

IAEA Reports on Climate Change and SD

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- Climate Change and Nuclear Power
- Nuclear Power and Sustainable Development
- Nuclear Power and the **Paris Agreement**
- IAEA Bulletin Special on • **Climate Change**

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Climate Change Making a difference through nuclear





Thank you!



Links to IAEA reports



- Climate change and nuclear power 2016: <u>http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/Publications/PDF/CCANP16web-86692468.pdf</u>
- Nuclear power and sustainable development: http://www-pub.iaea.org/MTCD/Publications/PDF/Pub1754web-26894285.pdf
- Nuclear power and the Paris Agreement: <u>https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/16/11/np-</u> parisagreement.pdf
- IAEA Bulletin Special on Climate Change: <u>https://www.iaea.org/publications/magazines/bulletin/</u> <u>56-2</u>