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From Ambition to Action: Pathways to the 2035 NDC

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Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Research Center of Korea

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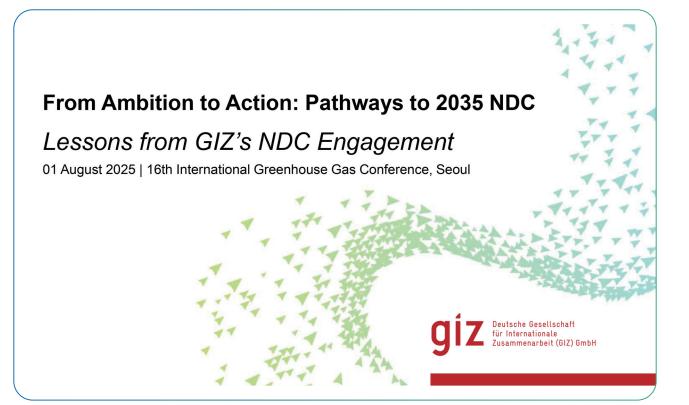
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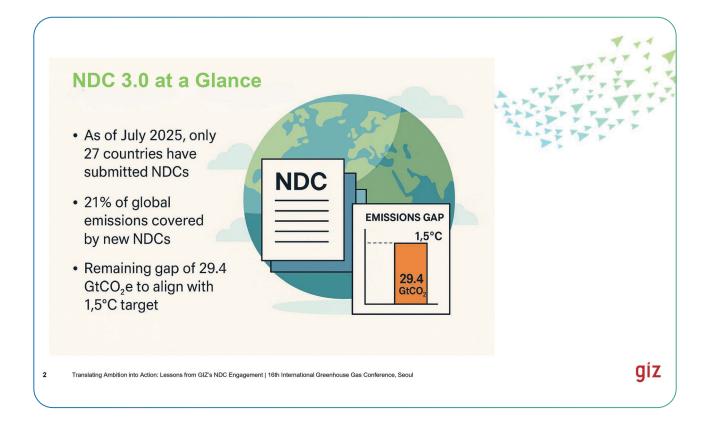
René FREYTAG leads the *IKI Interface Programme* in the Philippines, supporting national partners in implementing the country's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). His work focuses on climate finance, just energy transition, low-carbon transport, and fostering whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches. He works closely with government agencies, civil society, and international partners to advance implementation at both national and subnational levels.

He previously advised the European Commission's flagship G20 Climate Diplomacy Programme: Strategic Partnerships for the Implementation of the Paris Agreement, where he led bilateral cooperation with South Africa, Indonesia, China, India, and South Korea - supporting policy development on just transition, renewable energy, sustainable finance, and long-term climate strategies.

He served as a negotiator on the German delegation to the UNFCCC, representing the EU in negotiations on climate technology and capacity building. Earlier in his career, he held advisory roles with UNEP, UNESCO, and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), helping align national priorities with international cooperation frameworks.

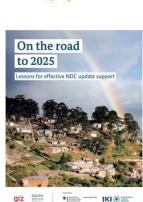
René brings a global perspective shaped by work across Asia, Africa, and Europe, with practical experience translating policy into action.





GIZ's Global NDC Engagement

- 400+ GIZ climate projects in ~120 countries
- 60 directly supporting NDC 3.0 submissions
- Cross-cutting support across 10+ thematic areas
- Climate focus: 89% mitigation, 63% adaptation, 42% biodiversity
- ~60% of projects address all three areas



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How to Accelerate Implementation

GIZ's Four-Pillar Support





Laws, fiscal reform, carbon pricing

Technical



MRV, baselines, co-benefit tools

Financial



Project pipeline, climate tagging

Capacity



Bankable projects, investor readiness

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What Enables NDC Implementation?



Integration into national development and sectoral plans



Strong coordination mechanisms (e,g., climate commissions)



Political leadership at the highest levels



Broad stakeholder engagement, including youth and civil society



Early MRV and transparency systems



Local implemen tation through subnational actors

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Country Example: Philippines

GIZ co-leads the Transport NDC update with DOTr

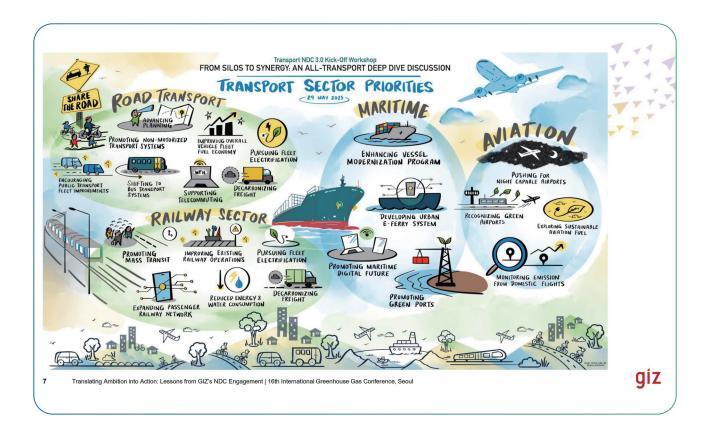
- Active member of the ADB-led Development Partners Coordination Group
- Supports vertical alignment via the Climate Change Commission (CCC) and NEDA
- Focus on MRV, investment planning, and local implementation
- Aims to embed transport in NDC 3.0 and link it to National Development Plans

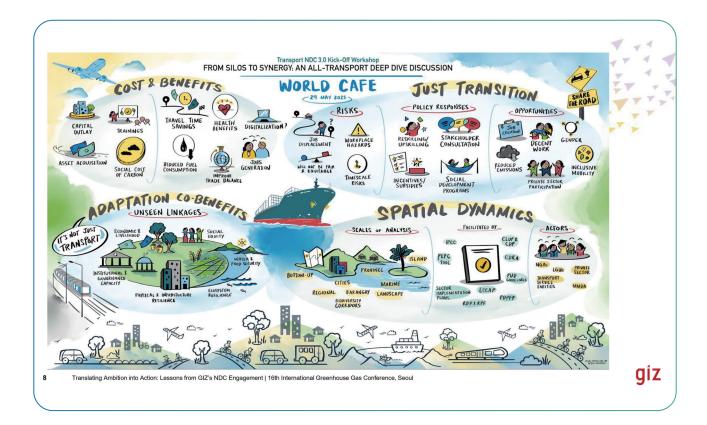




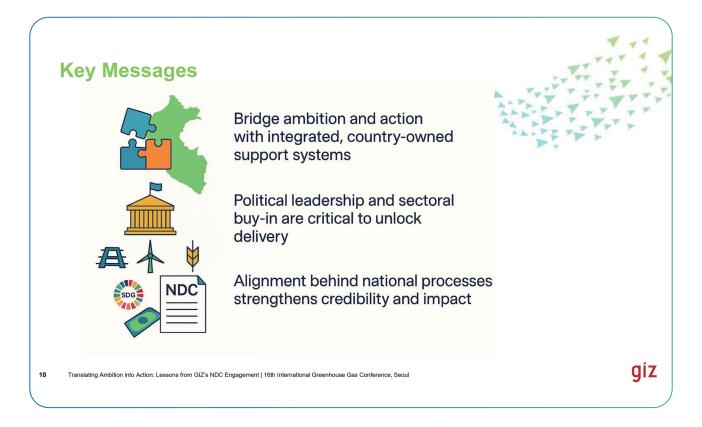
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Kevin Ong

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Career History

Mr. Kevin Ong is the First Secretary (Political) at the Singapore Embassy in Seoul. Besides bilateral relations, his current portfolio includes a coverage of internal and external politics, regional developments, climate issues, and related economic and security issues. He also leads matters related to public diplomacy at the Embassy. As the Embassy of the Republic of Singapore in Seoul is concurrently accredited to Mongolia, he also covers similar issues relating to Mongolia, from Seoul.

This is his second year in Seoul after taking up post in 2023.

Developing Singapore's 2035 NDC: Singapore's Approach to Climate Action

16th International Greenhouse Gas Conference 1 Aug 2025

Presented by:

Kevin Ong

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Climate change poses an asymmetrical challenge to Singapore



Global Problem

No single country can solve it on its own



National Circumstances

Scarcity of natural resources e.g. access to renewable energy



Inherent Vulnerability

Low-lying island city state; ~30% of Singapore less than 5m above SG Height Datum

While Singapore only contributes 0.1% of global emissions, the impact of climate change on us is disproportionately large

We are alternative energy disadvantaged, with solar power as our only viable renewable energy



Average wind speed in SG is 2m/s, well below the 4.5m/s needed for commercial wind turbines



Narrow tidal range, no river system with fast flowing water, and no geothermal energy sources



Small size constrains safe deployment of nuclear energy and limits domestic biomass growth



Our technical potential for solar deployment by 2050 is no more than 10% of electricity demand

but it is also the least land efficient

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In determining our climate action, we see two scenarios that will co-exist in a disorderly transition

Low-Carbon World





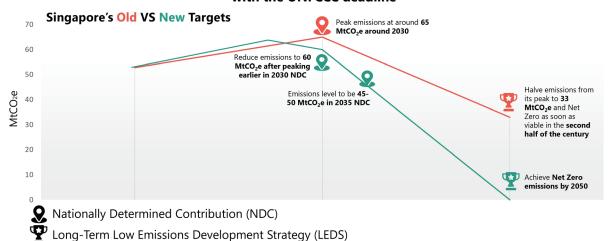
Climate-Impaired World



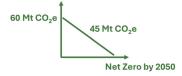


We raised our 2030 climate ambition in 2022 and were among 13 countries who submitted the 2035 NDC on time.

Singapore submitted its 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) in Feb 2025 in line with the UNFCCC deadline



Our 2035 NDC is an ambitious commitment and signals our resolve to help our economy stay competitive



 $45~MtCO_2e$ keeps on a straight-line trajectory from 2030 NDC of 60 MtCO $_2e$





Upper bound reflects the practical reality that pace of decarbonisation depends on tech development and international collaboration





Ambitious target to generate demand for new green investment and spur low-carbon solutions

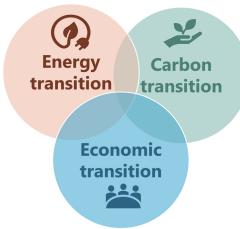




Recognises flexibility to manage impact on households and businesses, while keeping in pace with global transition

Our overall approach to climate transition: Triple Transition

Chart a pathway to a net zero grid while ensuring energy resilience

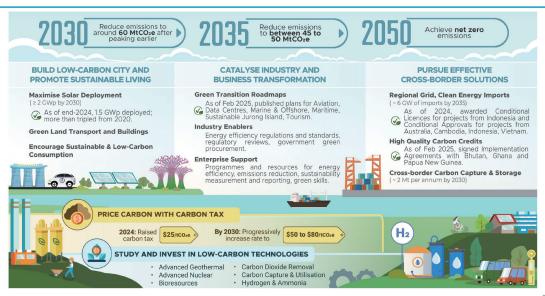


Reduce primary emissions to net zero across all sectors

Capture new growth opportunities and ensure that our economy remains competitive in a low-carbon future

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Our Roadmap to Net Zero by 2050



We have a comprehensive suite of policies across all sectors to reduce emissions



Industry

- Energy Efficiency Grants
- 2.5 Mt of CCUS by 2030



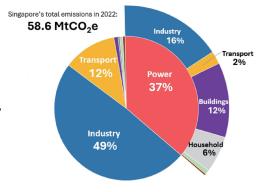
Power

- Solar 2GWp by 2030
- Electricity importsup to 6GW by2035



Transport

- No more new ICE vehicles from 2030 onwards
- 60,000 EV chargers by 2030



Key contributors to emissions in Singapore are Industry, Power and Transport

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Buildings

 Green Building Masterplan – 80% green buildings by 2030



Households

 Climate-Friendly Households Programme

Energy transition to reduce secondary emissions and increase green competitiveness



Further enhance efficiency using cleanest fossil fuel



More technologically ready, but high deployment levels pose reliability concerns



Maximise deployment, but limited due to land-intensive and intermittent nature



Strategic investments to build capabilities but will take time to become commercially viable

Increasing demand from businesses to tap lowcarbon electricity to reduce emissions

The carbon tax supports our NDCs by incentivising emissions reductions across the economy.

Key Objectives of Carbon Tax

Single price to reflect the externality of carbon, to support our climate ambition and shape responsibility of individuals and businesses



Individuals and households will have greater incentive to adopt more sustainable lifestyles, e.g. conserving energy



Businesses will be incentivised to adopt carbon-/ energy-efficient investments, ensuring their long-term viability in a carbon-constrained world

Generate revenue to fund mitigation package



Support for **businesses** in their decarbonisation efforts and to develop sustainability capabilities



- First country in Southeast Asia to introduce carbon price in 2019 at S\$5(~US\$3.70)/tCO2e.
- Currently at S\$25(US\$18)/tCO₂e, and will be raised to:
 - o **\$\$45(U\$\$32.30)/t** in 2026 and 2027
 - With a view to reaching \$\$50-80 (U\$\$35.90-57.50)/t by 2030
- Currently reviewing post-2027 carbon tax trajectory

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We are pursuing a wide range of international cooperation on climate, to support our NDC and catalyse global action.



Global Carbon Markets



Green and Transition Finance



Energy



International Transport



Capabilities and Technical Asst

- Article 6 bilateral Implementation Agreements
- Transition Credits Coalition (TRACTION)
- Climate Action Data Trust initiative, Article 6 Playbook to enhance transparency and integrity of carbon markets
- Financing Asia's Transition Partnerships (FAST-P)
- ASEAN power grid
- Electricity Import trials (e.g., LTMS-PIP)
- International Energy Agency Regional Cooperation Centre in Singapore
- · Maritime Decarbonisation Blueprint (2022)
- Sustainable Airhub Blueprint (2024)
- Sustainable Aviation Fuel levy (from 2026)
- Singapore Cooperation Programme
- Sustainability Action Package
- Small Island Developing States (SIDS) for Change
- Share V3 study data with region and international organisations

Living

Climate action requires whole-of-society shift;





City in

Nature



Energy

Reset



Green

Economy

Resilient

Future

Thank you



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Pathways and Challenges to Achieving Japan's NDC Targets for 2035 and 2040

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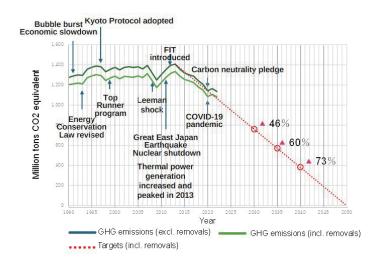
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Japan's GHG Emissions Trends and Future Targets



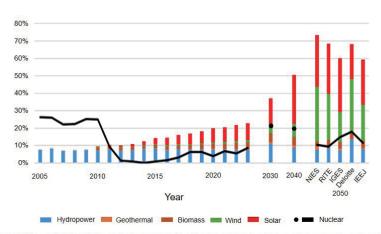
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Japan's Post-2030 NDC Planning Submission of NDC to the UNFCCC (18 Feb. 2025) Reduction targets: ▲46% by 2030, ▲46% by 2035, ▲73% by 2040 (compared to 2013 levels) Cabinet approval of the 7th Strategic Energy Plan, GX2040* Vision, and Plan for Global Warming Countermeasures (18 Feb. 2025) Plan for Global Warming GX2040 Vision 7th Strategic Energy Plan Countermeasures GX investments, Energy mix, stable energy Numerical targets, implementation industrial restructuring, plans, and nationwide emission supply, and technology and growth strategies reductions development Joint Working Group (Central Environmental Council Basic Policy Subcommittee, Advisory Committee and Industrial Structure Council) for Natural Resources and Energy The 6th Meeting (25 Nov. 2024): The 66th Meeting (3 Dec. 2024): Scenario Deliberation on 2035 and 2040 targets. Should the discussion on how to achieve pathway be concave, linear or convex? GHG emission reductions by 2050 The draft plan was submitted on 24 December 2024 The draft plan was submitted on 25 December ²⁰²⁴Models including AIM provided simulation results. *GX (Green Transformation)

Role Sharing among the Strategic Energy Plan, GX2040 Vision, and Climate Change Action Plan

Item	7th Strategic Energy Plan (2025)	GX2040 (Green Transformation) Vision	Plan for Global Warming Countermeasures (2025)
Purpose / Perspective	Balancing energy security, decarbonization, and economic growth	Decarbonization as a growth strategy, enhancing industrial competitiveness	Achieving Japan's GHG reduction targets (NDC)
Lead Ministry	Led by METI	Cabinet-led (GX Promotion Office)	Led by MOEJ
Key Focus Areas	Energy mix (renewables, nuclear, fossil fuels), stable supply, supply-demand optimization	Industrial transformation, green innovation, GX investment, regulatory reform	Sectoral targets (industry, transport, household), adaptation, local measures
Measures	- 36–38% renewable target - Continued nuclear use, approval of new plants - Hydrogen, ammonia, CCUS promotion - Energy efficiency and demand- side reform	 ¥20 trillion GX economic transition bonds over 10 years Growth-oriented carbon pricing GX Promotion Law Balancing energy security and decarbonization 	 Mandatory local action plans by prefectures Emission reduction plans required from businesses Strengthened adaptation and regional resilience
	Focuses on energy infrastructure while aiding	Focuses on industrial GX transformation, esp. nower-	Allocates sectoral targets; emphasizes coordination with ³

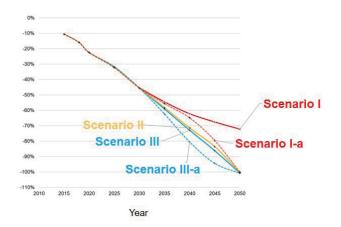
Renewable and Nuclear Energy in Japan: Historical Trends, Government Targets, and Modelled Futures



2005-2023: Trend; 2030 and 2040: NDC targets; 2050: Projection by 5 models presented at the at the Basic Policy Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy (66th meeting).

Sources: For 2005-2009, "EDMC Energy and Economic Statistics Handbook"; for 2010-2023, "General Energy Statistics"; for 2030, "Energy Supply and Demand Outlook for FY2030 (related materials)" Agency for Natural Resources and Energy (ANRE) (p. 73) (September 2021); for 2040, "Energy Supply and Demand Outlook for 2040 (related materials)" ANRE (p.23, p.29) (January 2025); for 2050, scenarios at the Basic Policy Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy (66th meeting).

Greenhouse gas emissions pathways analyzed by the AIM model



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Source: Hibino G, Ashina S, Masui T (2025) 2nd additional analysis of GHG emission pathways realizing a decarbonized society in 2050 in Japan. Discussion Paper Series, Social Systems Division, NIES. https://www.nies.go.jp/social/publications/dp/pdf/2025-01.pdf

Scenario I-a

Scenario II

Scenario III

Scenario III-a

Final energy consumption analyzed by the AIM model Scenario I Scenario I Scenario I Scenario I

(Mtoe)

350

300

250

200

50

2010

Reducing energy

demand is essential

2030

Year

2020

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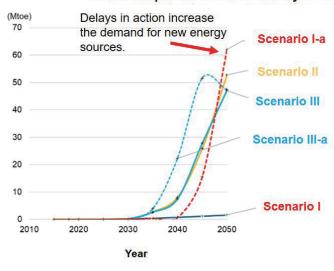
Source: Hibino et al. (2025)

2050

2040

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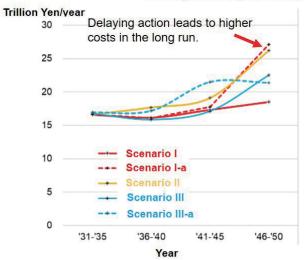
Low carbon fuel demands in the final energy consumption sector analyzed by the AIM model



Source: Hibino et al. (2025)

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Costs of installing and operating energy equipment analyzed by the AIM model

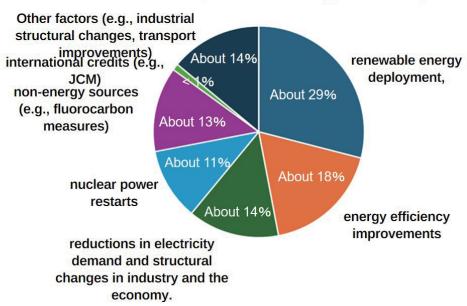


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Estimated Contribution Factors to GHG Emission Reductions (2013–2023, Approximate)



Key Drivers of GHG Emissions Reduction in Japan and Associated Challenges

Reduction Driver	Main Policies / Measures	Challenges
Expansion of Renewable Energy	Feed-in Tariff (FIT); Renewable Energy Special Measures Act; FIP scheme; Grid connection rule revisions	Output suppression due to grid constraints; Delays in grid reinforcement; Lack of appropriate market evaluation; Regional disparity
Promotion of Energy Efficiency	Energy Conservation Act; Top Runner Program; ZEH*/ZEB subsidies; ESCO** support; Household energy-saving appliance subsidies; Mortgage reductions	Many measures already implemented; Limited additional reduction potential; Growing reliance on behavioral change; High upfront costs; difficulty retrofitting existing homes
Changes in Industrial Structure	Downsizing of energy-intensive heavy industries, Shift to service-based economy	Domestic emissions reduction may be offset by overseas transfers; challenge of consumption-based emissions
Nuclear Power Restart (Limited)	Screening and restart approvals by the Nuclear Regulation Authority, Coordination with local governments	Social and political uncertainty over restarts; Aaging facilities; Challenges with new construction; Nuclear waste disposal
Non-energy Emissions (e.g. F- gases)	Fluorocarbon Emissions Control Act, Kigali Amendment compliance, Mandatory refrigerant recovery	Difficulties reducing agricultural emissions; Challenges in refrigerant management; Technology dissemination
Use of International Credits	JCM (Joint Crediting Mechanism), References in NDCs, Financial cooperation	Concerns over use as substitute for domestic action; Need for transparency and credibility assurance
*Net Zero Energy House; **Energy Service Company		

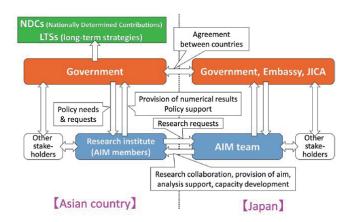
High-Potential Sectors Not Yet Fully Addressed and Their Challenges

Sector / Area	Reasons for High Reduction Potential	Key Challenges
Retrofit insulation of existing homes	Many of Japan's 40 million existing homes have low insulation. Full retrofitting could reduce up to 60 million tCO₂/year.	High upfront costs Lack of awareness or interest among residents Shortage of skilled labor and contractors
Local thermal energy use (district heating, biomass, etc.)	Large untapped potential for local renewable heat sources. Up to 30% reduction possible compared to fossil-fuel-based heat supply systems.	Lack of local project developers Unclear returns on investment Underdeveloped systems and infrastructure
Modal shift in freight transport	Shift to rail and ship is far more energy-efficient than truck freight, leading to large CO ₂ reductions	Car-centric infrastructure and policy bias Entrenched logistics practices and cost structures Lack of economic incentives
Lifestyle transformation (consumption, food, mobility)	Behavioral shifts (e.g., reducing food loss, avoiding carbon-intensive consumption) could yield significant but hard-to-quantify reductions	Difficulty in changing individual behavior Lack of policy support and public information Cultural and social resistance
Industrial electrification and hydrogen	Electrification and hydrogen use in high-temperature processes can reduce several tens of million	High costs and early-stage technologies Underdeveloped hydrogen supply infrastructure Balancing decarbonization with international

Efforts and Challenges for Japan's Decarbonization

Stakeholders	Current Progress / Initiatives	Remaining Challenges / Improvements
Local governments	600+ Zero Carbon declarations MOEJ-led "Decarbonization Leading Areas" Local renewable/energy-saving efforts	Securing finance/personnel Expanding to small municipalities Strengthening local consensus building
Corporates	Leading TCFD adoption More SBT-certified firms Progress in Climate-related financial disclosure	Greenwashing concerns Limited uptake among SMEs Need for more investment
Science	Targets based on IPCC reports Impact assessments Use of AIM models for scenario analysis	Limited policy uptake Need to establish an independent scientific advisory system
Public engagement	GHG/policy info disclosure Env. education & materials	Limited public participation in policy making Voices of youth/workers missing
International cooperation	JCM (Joint Crediting Mechanism) deployment AZEC (Asia Zero Emissions Community) cooperation Tech support (RE/efficiency)	JCM scale small Limited transition impact Balance with domestic cuts

International Cooperation: Scheme for supporting scenario analysis of long-term strategies in Japan and partners Countries using AIM



Source: Hibino G, Masui T (2023) Development of AIM (Asia—Pacific Integrated Model) and its contribution to policy-making for the realization of decarbonized societies in Asia. Sustainability Science, Special Feature, Accelerating Actions for Leveraging a Climate-Neutral. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11625-023-01393-2





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Career History

Jonathan Woodland is the Head of Climate and Energy at the British Embassy Seoul.

A career government official, he has held roles within the UK Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Defence and the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office.

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British Embassy Seoul

UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution

Jonathan Woodland Head of Climate and Energy British Embassy Seoul





The UK's 2035 NDC

At least 81% reductions on 1990 levels by 2035

- Headline target announced at COP29, submission to the UNFCCC 30 Jan 2025
- Single economy-wide target, covering all GHGs and sectors (excluding IAS)
- 1.5°C aligned and highest possible ambition
- Increase in ambition (2030 NDC: at least 68% by 2030)





UK 2035 NDC Considerations



Target level

- 1.5°C
- · Carbon budgets / Net Zero
- · Climate Change Committee guidance



Scope - ICTU

- Actionable Global Stock Take outcomes
- Nature & adaptation
- · Economy wide exc. IAS

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Engagement

- Independent experts, civil society and businesses
- Crown Dependencies and Overseas Territories; Devolved Administrations
- · Other countries

UK climate leadership

Stakeholder views & CCC advice

Domestic challenges

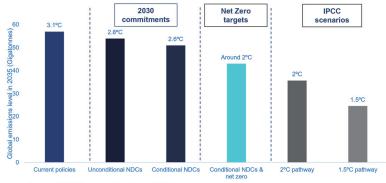
CB6 2035 target of 77%

Highest possible ambition, fair share, progression on 2030 NDC, latest science & GST

Department for Energy Security & Net Zero

NDC Implementation

Globally, under current policies we are far from 1.5°C. The most optimistic scenario gets the world close to 2°C.



Source: UNEP Emissions Gap Report (2024)

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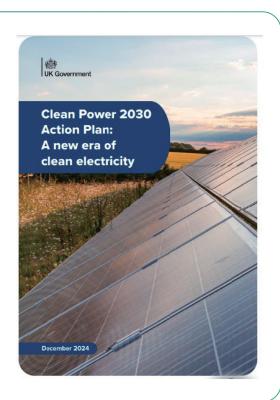
UK NDC Implementation:

- Will deliver an updated cross-economy plan, out to the end of CB6 in 2037, later this year.
- This will outline the policies and proposals needed to deliver carbon budgets 4-6 and the 2030 and 2035 NDCs on a pathway to net zero (as per para 171)

2030 Clean Power Plan

- Ambition to secure 95% of electricity from clean power by 2030.
- Doubling/tripling of offshore and onshore wind + solar.
- Record breaking renewables auction in 2024.
- Ended coal-power in 2024.
- Establishment of GB Energy
- Nuclear build programme e.g. Sizewell C, and Rolls Royce SMR.
- · £22bn for CCUS.

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Clean Power Mission's centrality to UK Government policy



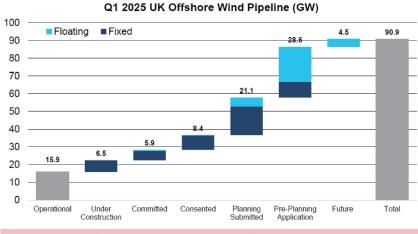




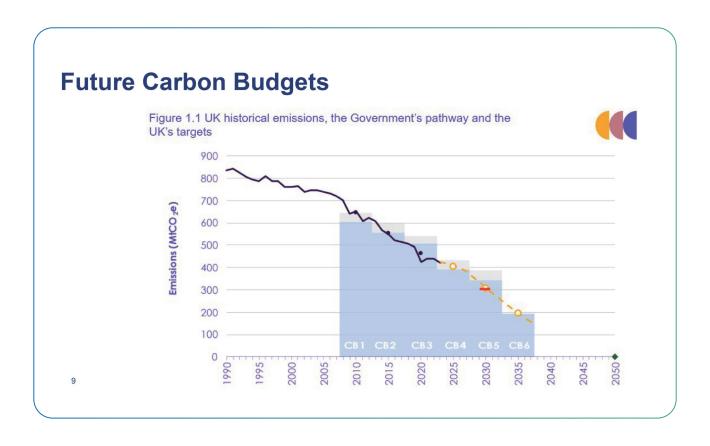
UK Offshore Wind

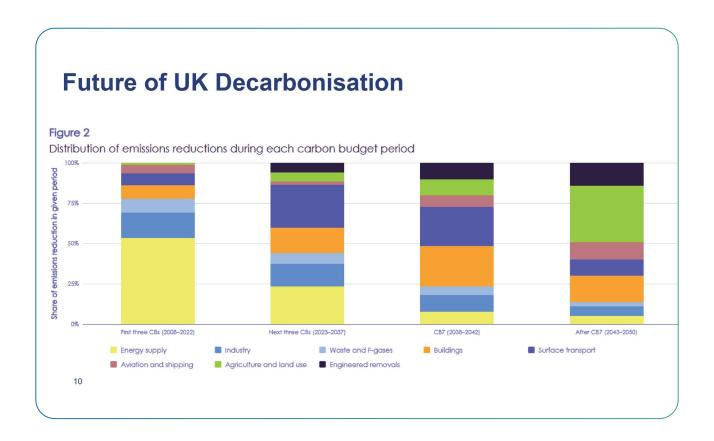


UK Offshore Wind Pipeline



Floating wind projects account for ~30GW in the pipeline at the planning submitted, preplanning application and future stages.





Advice of the Climate Change Committee that by 2040:

- Offshore wind 15 GW of capacity in 2023 to 88 GW. Onshore wind to 32 GW. Solar capacity increases to 82 GW.
- Nuclear, low-carbon dispatchable generation (either gas CCS or hydrogen), batteries, interconnection to neighbouring markets, ensure a reliable supply of electricity.
- Rapid expansion of the transmission grid, upgrading the distribution network, and speeding up the grid connection process.
- By 2040 3/4 of cars & vans and 2/3 of HGVs are EVs.
- Half of homes using a heat pump (up from 1% in 2023).
- Electricity meets 61% of industrial energy demand, up from around 26% in 2023.
- 16% of the UK covered by woodland up from 13% today.
- UK peatlands in natural or rewetted conditions 55% up from 26% today.

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Thank You

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Career History

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16th International Greenhouse Gas Conference

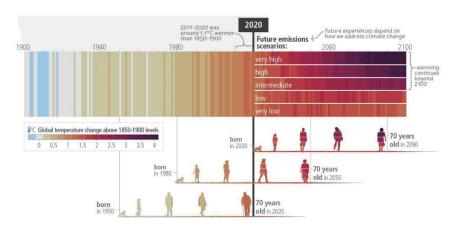


The European Union's Road to Climate Neutrality: Green Deal & NDC

Jong Han Rhee
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1 August 2025

Policies need to get ahead of climate impacts



Impact across generations of observed & projected changes in global surface temperature

Source: IPCC AR6 Synthesis Report

Without action on climate change...

... (i.e., warming of 3°C above pre-industrial temperature) the EU could face the following impacts:



Heat & drought

90,000 annual deaths due to heatwaves.

Water scarcity

65 million people living in areas with water resources under stress.

Flooding

Nearly €50 billion/year in economic losses due to increased flooding frequency & severity.

Economics

Annual welfare loss in the EU representing 1.4% of GDP (currently €238 billion).

Wildfires

24% increase of number of people exposed to high-to-extreme fire danger levels.

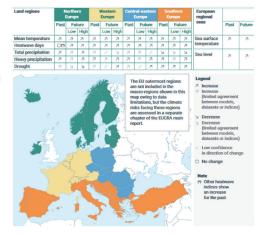
European Climate Risk Assessment (2024)



1st ever European Climate Risk Assessment (Mar 2024)

Europe is heating at twice the global rate

Europe will have to learn to live with 3 degrees warmer, even the Paris Agreement 1.5 degrees target is met



EU citizens' attitudes towards climate change

Almost 8 in 10 Europeans think climate change is a very serious problem,* and 79% also think achieving climate neutrality will come with benefits like new jobs.

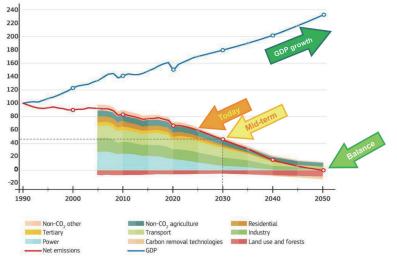
Takeaways:

People are still concerned with climate change and support for climate action is still high

* Source: Eurobarometer 2023



The EU is progressing on a pathway to prosperity, climate neutrality and resilience





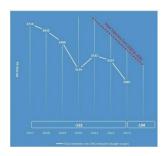
Continuous delivery & predictability

Climate policy is aligned with shifting geostrategic priorities and realities

According to the latest *Annual EU Greenhouse Gas Inventory*, total greenhouse gas emissions in the EU decreased by almost 9% in 2023 compared to 2022.

- This marks the largest annual drop in decades, with emissions now 37% below 1990 levels.
- Compared to 2022, emissions from electricity and heating decreased by 24%, driven by growth in wind and solar energy and the transition away from coal
- However, emissions reductions need to accelerate to stay on track towards our targets

In 2024, emissions under the EU ETS were reduced by 5% compared to 2023 levels. ETS emissions are now around 50% below 2005 levels and on track to achieve the 2030 target of -62%. The power sector was again the most important driver of the decarbonisation progress.



Source: Annual EU Greenhouse Gas Inventory



What is the EU doing to achieve climate neutrality?

The European Climate Law sets binding targets for the EU to reduce net GHG emissions by at least 55% by 2030 compared to 1990 levels and reach net zero emissions by 2050.

So far, the EU has achieved steady decreases in emissions since 1990, reaching -37% by 2023.





The EU's legal-binding reduction target: European Climate Law

- ► The European Climate Law Regulation of 30 June 2021
- Union-wide climate-neutrality objective 2050 (Article 2)
- ► Interim targets (Article 4)

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- 2030 target of at least 55% net greenhouse gas emissions reduction (Article 4)
- Commission to propose a 2040 climate target, taking into account an indicative greenhouse gas budget for 2030-2050 to be published by the European Commission (Article 4)

European Commission Communication On Europe's 2040 Climate Target



- ► February 2024, the Commission presented its recommends a **2040 climate target for the EU**
- Key aspects
 - Basis for new 2035 NDC to be submitted in 2025
 - Fit for 55 framework and other measures agreed for 2030 remain unchanged
 - Legislative proposal for the 2040 target to be taken by the new Commission



Europe's 2040 Climate Target: Impact Assessment

- ► The Commission's communicated based on the detailed impact assessment, corresponding to the advice of the European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change (ESABCC)
- ► The 2040 target (recommendation)
- 90% net GHG reduction compared to 1990
- Indicative GHG budget for 2030-2050 ⇒ 16 Gt CO₂eq
- To meet this target, the analysis shows that, in 2040:
- ➤ Remaining gross GHG emissions in the EU should be less than 850 Mt CO₂eq
- ➤ Carbon removals (land-based and industrial) should reach up to 400 Mt CO₂eq





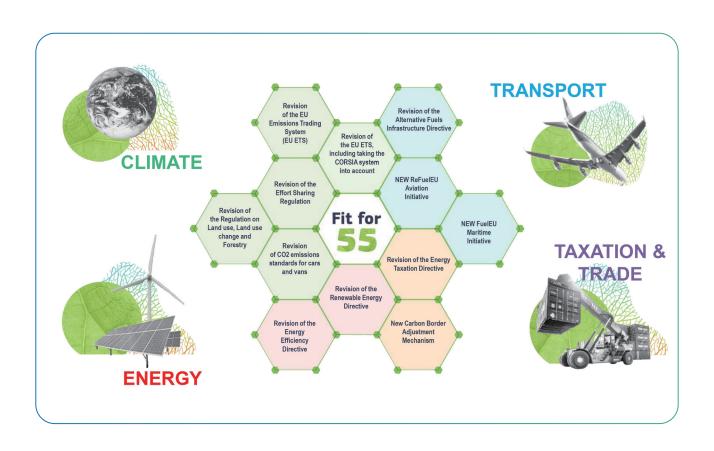


Cost of Inaction for the EU

- ► **Historical**: 200,000 deaths and €650 billion in economic losses from 1980-2022, of which €170 billion in last 5 years.
- ▶ **Projections (conservative estimate)**: comparing 1.5 degree-compatible and higher warming scenarios:
- Inaction could lower GDP by about 7% by 2100
- This could mean a cumulative cost of €2.4 trillion 2031-2050



Delivering the 2030 vision: the Fit for 55 Package



The Fit for 55 Package: an overview

Pricing

Stronger ETS including aviation

Extending the ETS to maritime, road transport, and buildings

Updated Energy Taxation Directive

Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

Targets

Updated Effort Sharing
Regulation
Updated LULUCF Regulation
Updated Renewable Energy
Directive
Updated Energy Directive

Rules

Stricter CO₂ performance for cars and vans

New infrastructure for

New infrastructure for alternative fuels

ReFuelEU: More sustainable aviation fuels

FuelEU: Cleaner maritime fuels

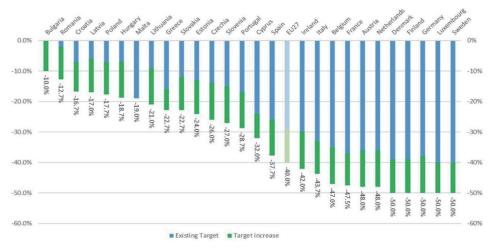
Support measures

Using revenues and regulations to promote innovation, build solidarity and mitigate impacts for the vulnerable, notably through the new Social Climate Fund and enhanced Modernisation and Innovation Funds

Working together with Member States: NECPs

- The National Energy and Climate Plans outline how the EU countries intend to address decarbonisation, energy efficiency, energy security, internal energy market, research, innovation and competitiveness.
- Member States submitted draft NECPs (period 2021-2030), which the Commission reviewed and provided recommendations on. The final NECPs were submitted by end-2019, following consultations with citizens, businesses and regional authorities.
- Progress is reported every 2 years, and the Commission will monitor the EU's progress as a whole towards achieving the targets set out in the State of the Energy Union report.

The Effort Sharing Regulation (ESR)



Increased EU's 2030 ambition & Member States' GHG reduction targets as agreed/adopted in 2023

EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS)



- A system where total emissions by certain sectors are capped. Companies can trade emissions permits and buy more if they emit more (cap and trade).
- The cap is reduced every year, so companies are incentivised to reduce emissions.
- In 2023, ETS sectors emissions reductions were -47% (in comparison to 2005 levels).
- Applies to emissions from the electricity and heat generation, industrial manufacturing and aviation within Europe (36% of EU greenhouse gas emissions), as well as maritime.

EU ETS expansion

Aviation is part of the EU ETS since 2012, but ETS will end free allocations and incentivise the use of sustainable aviation fuels.

From 2024, the EU ETS will gradually start covering maritime transport, and will end up covering all large ships travelling to, from and within the EU.





The Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF) Regulation

New targets to increase our natural carbon sink:



Old target Current carbon
! Too low sink

New target

2021-2025: EU target for net carbon removals by natural sinks aligned with current LULUCF ('no-debit').

2026-2030: -310 million tonnes of ${\rm CO_2}$ equivalent by 2030.

Achieving zero emission road transport

The revision of the CO₂ standards for new cars & vans: stricter emission targets in line with the EU's goal of climate neutrality by 2050.

from cars by 2030

from vans by 2030

reduction of emissions reduction of emissions new cars & vans by 2035 to be zero-emission



Renewable Energy Directive (RED III)

Increases the EU renewables target for 2030 from 32% to 42.5%, with an aspiration to get to 45%, and enables faster permitting for renewables



Energy Efficiency Directive (EED)

- · Increased EU energy efficiency target
- · Reinforcement of the Energy Efficiency First Principle
- A more energy efficient public sector



Savings achieved so far:

21.7% for primary energy consumption & 21.4% for final energy consumption

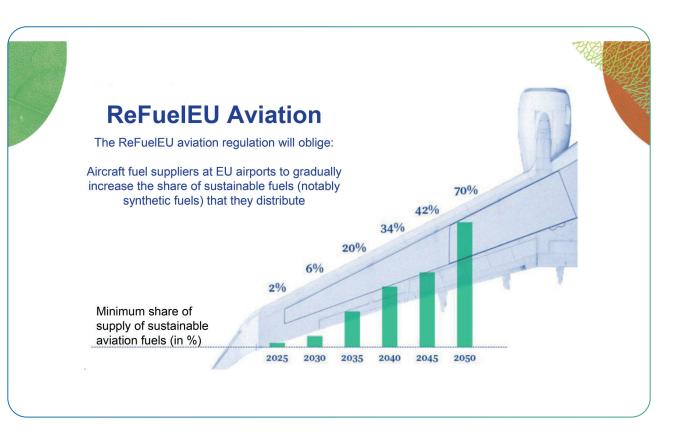
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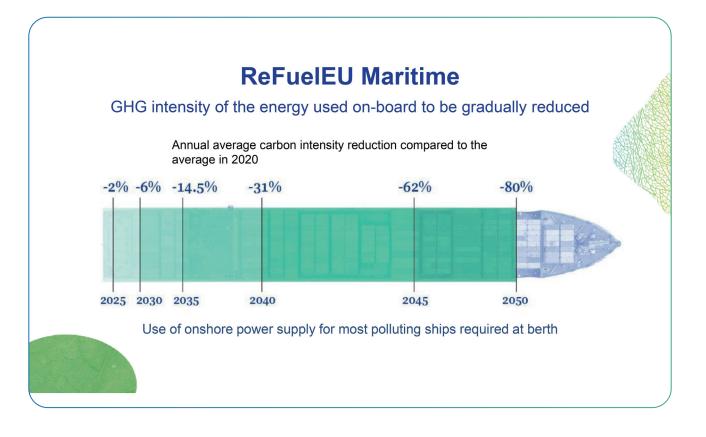
-11.7% for both primary and final energy consumption (based on REF2020 projections)



Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Regulation (AFIR)

- Recharging points for cars & vans: distance-based target on the TEN-T network + national fleet-based targets.
- Recharging points for heavy duty vehicles (HDVs): distance-based targets along TEN-T network, overnight recharging + urban nodes.
- Hydrogen refuelling points for cars & HDVs: mandatory targets along TEN-T network + urban nodes.
- LNG refuelling points for HDVs: limited until 2025 to fill remaining gaps.
- Further objectives for the development of maritime and air transport infrastructure.







EU ambitions for COP30 AMAZONA

COP30 will take place in Belém, Brazil, from 10 - 21 November 2025

What's at stake:

- Submission of new Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- Biennial Transparency Reports and NDC synthesis reports: collective aspiration vs. Reality
- Follow-up to the Global Stocktake
- Conclusion of the work programme on adaptation indicators

Ambitious expectations for the next NDCs

It is likely that the collective ambition level of the new NDCs won't keep the 1.5C goal within reach; COP30 must respond to that ambition gap.

Therefore, the EU has been calling all partners to submit NDCs that are:

- Consistent with the IPCC and the global stocktake in line with 1.5°C;
- · Absolute, economy-wide reduction targets covering all GHG, sectors, and categories; and
- Aligned with steep and credible emissions reductions toward their respective mid-century net zero goals.

The EU has begun preparations for its new NDC with the publication of the Commission's Communication on Europe's 2040 climate target in the beginning of 2024.

The Commission intends to present a legislative proposal to enshrine a 90% emission reduction target for 2040 in the European Climate Law. This target will inform the submission of the new EU NDC for 2035.

EU Green Diplomacy

- The EU is well aware of global scale of challenge:
- The EU will always be import-dependent

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Approach:

- International leadership in multilateral fora (COP, OECD, WTO etc.)
- EU global financing and technical support programs
- Free Trade Agreements (TSD chapters)
- Bilateral Green Partnerships

The EU-RoK Green Partnership



"The EU and the Republic of Korea share the ambition of a climate-neutral future. The launch of our Green Partnership will help us towards that goal. We will now work on the convergence in key areas, and deepen cooperation on strategic, clean energy projects. Because it is good for our supply chains, good for our competitiveness and good for the planet."

- · Implementation of Paris agreement
- · Renewables and Energy Efficiency
- · Clean and Just Transition

- Biodiversity & Forest
- · Circular Economy and Pollution
- · Joint Cooperation in third countries
- ► Green Partnership is supported by a dedicated EU project (4 yrs)

Budget / Duration 4 million euros 2024 - 2028 Outreach KR Stakeholders (youth, CSO, academia, business, cities) Objectives • Strong Partnership • Green Transition • Public Diplomacy

Thank you

DELEGATION OF THE EU TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA



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Career History

- 2050 Carbon Neutrality Committee (2021 ~ 2022)
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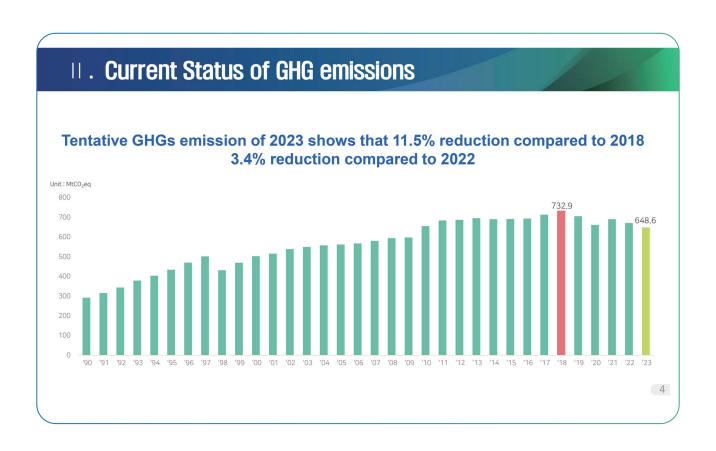
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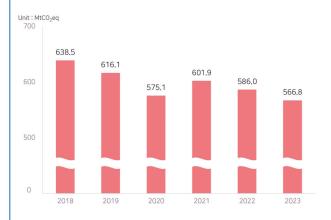
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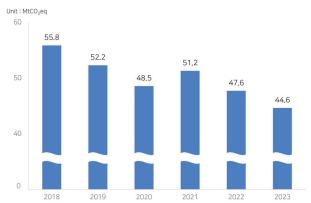


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♦ Industry: ('18) 55.8 → ('23) 44.6 (△20.1%)

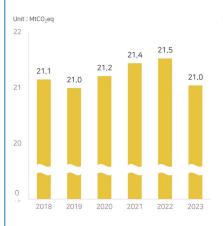


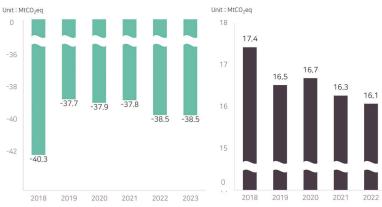


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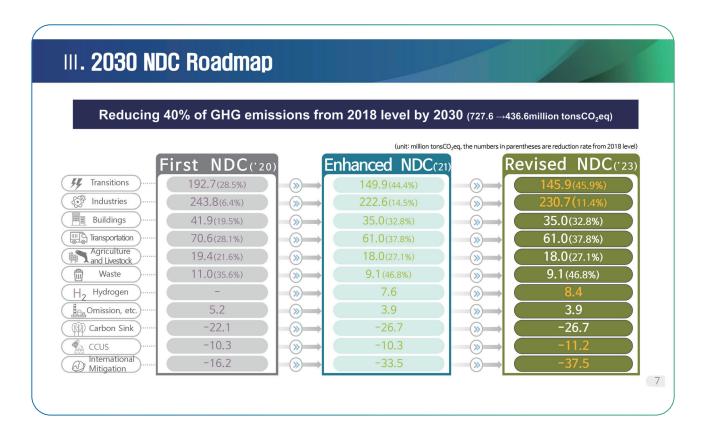
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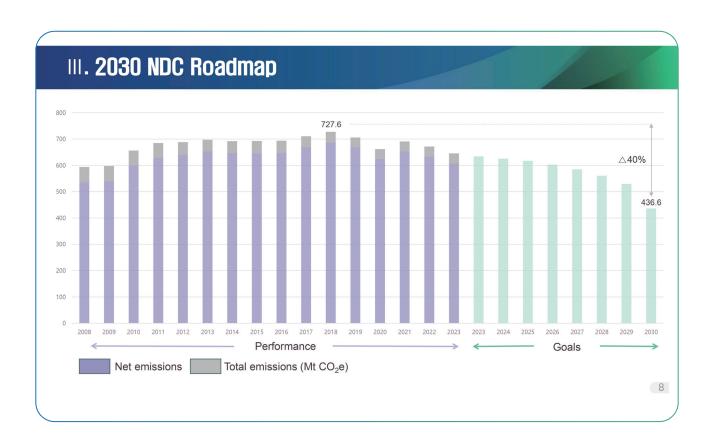
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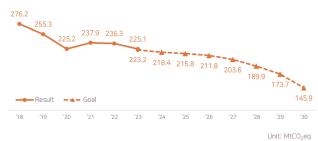


III. 2030 NDC Roadmap

Energy Transition

Reduce coal power generation* and Increase renewable energy**

* ('23) 31.4% \rightarrow ('30) 17.2%, ** ('23) 8.4% \rightarrow ('30) 21.7%



Unit: MtCO2eq

(Industry

- Support and promote innovations and technologies to lower GHG emissions
- Technology Innovation Fund
- Support Investments for the private sector through subsidies, loans, funds, etc.



III. 2030 NDC Roadmap

Building

- Strengthening the energy performance
 - Zero-energy buildings of new buildings
- Strengthen the energy performance of existing buildings

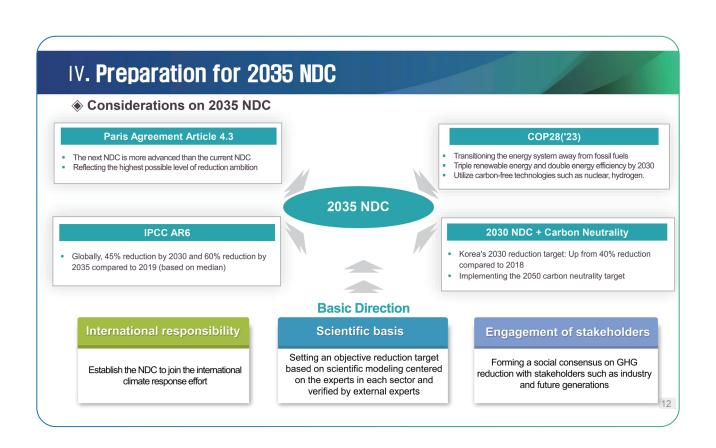
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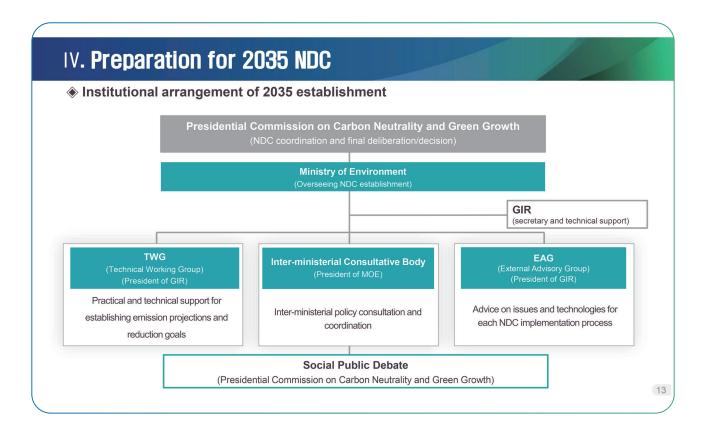


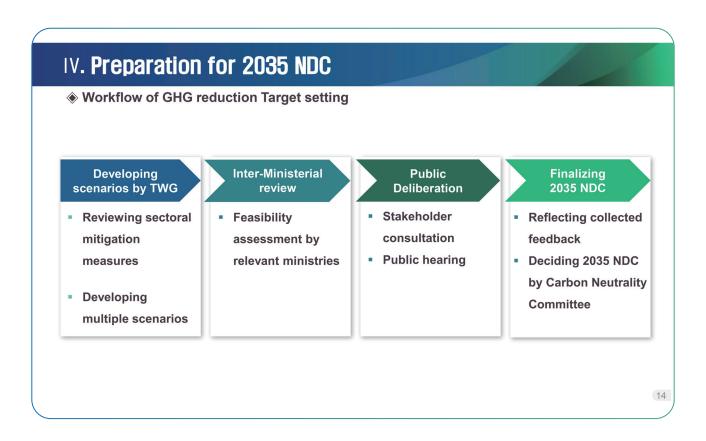
- Expanding the use of electric and hydrogen vehicles
- Promote the use of public transportation
- Raising biodiesel blending ratio
- Green railway, aviation and shipping



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South Korea is doing its utmost to prepare and submit the next NDC, considering global responsibilities and scientific evidence.

Panel Discussion



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Career History

Professor YOO, Seung Jick, got Ph.D. in environmental economics from University of California at Berkeley in 1995, is a professor on environmental economics at Sookmyung Women's University since 2016. Before moving to Sookmyung Women's University, he has been the President of Greenhouse Gas Inventory & Research Center of Korea, the principal national agency in management of national and entity level GHG inventories and setting national, sectoral and entity-level greenhouse gas reduction targets and designing and implementation of K-ETS.

He works on the effects of K-ETS and assessment of GHGs emission reductions in Korea.



Panelist

Youngjun Cho Executive Director Sustainable Management Institution at the Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI)

Career History

Youngjun Cho is Executive Director of the Sustainable Management Institution at the Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI). He has experience in environmental policy, and corporate sustainability. Mr. Cho currently serves as a member of several national committees, including those advising the Korean government on carbon neutrality, renewable energy, and industrial transformation. His work focuses on aligning national policy, corporate strategy, and global sustainability standards.

He has worked on green transition, ESG strategies, and public-private cooperation for climate innovation.



Panelist

Sangjae Ryu Co-representative Korean Youth Climate Change Network, BigWave

Career History

Sangjae Ryu is a distinguished climate and energy specialist with extensive experience in hydrogen fuel cell R&D, carbon neutrality policy, and youth climate leadership. He currently serves as Co-representative of BigWave, Korea's leading youth climate action group, and as Manager at Hyundai Motor Company's Electrification Energy Solution Process Technology Development Team, where he oversees advanced R&D on MEA processes for hydrogen fuel cells in mobility applications. His research interests include climate policy, hydrogen mobility, and youth engagement in climate governance.

Ryu's expertise spans the development and implementation of national carbon neutrality and green growth strategies. He has played a pivotal role in Korea's Carbon Neutrality and Green Growth Implementation Monitoring Team, evaluating national GHG reduction performance and policy progress. His international engagement includes participating in policy study tours with the Asia Society and Korea Foundation, facilitating dialogue with EU and US energy and transport policymakers, and organizing workshops for Korean youth on global decarbonization trends. His dedication was acknowledged with the Prime Minister's Commendation for Carbon Neutrality and Green Growth Merit in 2024.



Panelist

So Won Yoon

Senior Researcher of GHG Reduction Research Team Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Research Center of Korea

Career History

Dr. So Won Yoon is currently a senior researcher at Greenhouse Gas Inventory & Research Center of Korea, GIR, having joined the GIR when it was founded in 2010. As the team manager, she played a pivotal role in developing Korea's 2020 national greenhouse gas reduction target, the national reduction roadmap, the intended nationally determined contribution (2030 national greenhouse gas reduction target), and the 2050 LEDS.

She also contributed to the design of Korea's emissions trading system cap setting and the system for monitoring the status of GHG reduction implementation.

Currently, she is actively involved in the establishment of Korea's 35 NDC.

Dr. Yoon began her doctoral studies in 1995 and has conducted various projects using the AIM model. After earning her Ph.D. in 2001, she joined the climate policy team at IGES in Japan, where she gained extensive experience in the global climate system and conducted a project using the Leap model.

Since joining GIR, she has been leading greenhouse gas mitigation policy support projects utilizing bottom-up reduction models such as the message model and overseeing the implementation of greenhouse gas reduction measures.

She holds her master's degree in environmental ecology planning at Seoul National University and received her Ph.D. in environmental resources from SangMyung University.

Side Event

Lessons from the First BTR:

Sharing Experiences and Building Capacity for Enhanced Transparency in Developing Countries



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[Sri Lanka] Nithini Gardiye Punchihewa

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