

EU-2030 – which way to follow?

Main reasons for the German approach

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German position for 2030

at least 40% GHG reduction

- binding EU-RES target of at least 30%, and
- binding and ambitious EU-EE target

Rationale of the German position: investing right is most cost efficient

- Europe needs to invest anyway in Energy
 - Aging power fleet
 - Energy security
 - Climate protection
- Invest right: choose options which are most cost-efficient and offer highest return on investment and is a "no-regret"
- Avoid "lost decade": postponing investment will be more costly in the end
- Flexibility vs synergy: taking advantage of coordination and synergies in areas of "no-regret" brings costs down and increases reliability for all MS

RES and efficiency are most cost-efficient new Low Carbon Investment

 RES costs came down significantly; LCOE costs became lower than for CCS and Nuclear

	2010	2014	2020
PV (ct./kWh)	24-35	9.5-13.5	~7-10
Wind (ct./kWh)	6-10	5.5 -9	~ 4.5-8

- 40% GHG + 30% RES + 30% Efficiency lead to annually 20 bn € lower overall costs than 40% GHG only (*Fraunhofer ISI*)
- ... if investment framework is set right...

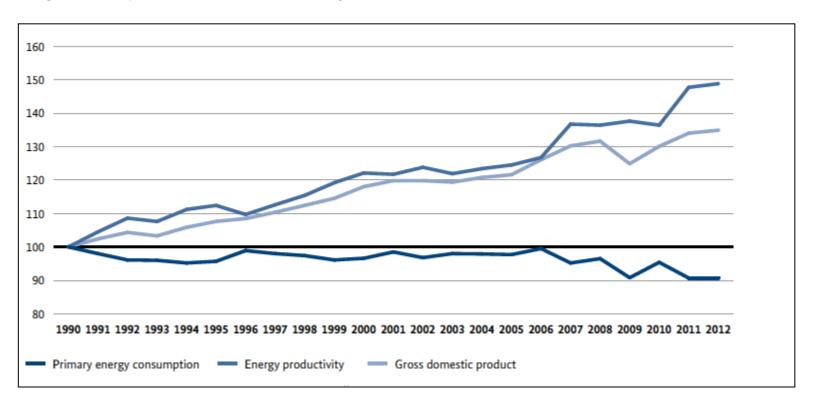
RES and Efficiency offer highest return on investment

- Turning sunk cost for fossil fuels into future investments
 - **260 bn.** € **additional savings** of fossil fuels with 30% RES and 30% EE cp to 27% RES and 25% EE [COM 2030 Impact Assessment]
- Thereby increasing energy security
- New Growth Agenda for Europe
 - RES and EE are labour intensive: 1,25 Mio additional jobs in Europe with 40% GHG, 30% RES target and 30% efficiency compared to reference scenario [COM Impact Assessment]
 - New system competence: multiplying innovation spill over effects for the whole economy
- Future competitiveness will be decided by use of energy per GDP and cost of kWh



Germany decoupled growth from energy consumption

- Energy productivity increased by 46% since 1990
- primary energy consumption reduced by 3.3 (cp. To 2008) while economy has grown by 50% (since 1990)



Need for balanced mix of tailored instruments

- ETS important overall instrument
- ETS alone cannot meet the various challenges of changing Europe's Energy system, since ETS
 - ... cannot overcome non-economic barriers

 most cost-efficient energy efficiency potentials remain untapped
 - ... cannot achieve technology shift (or only at very high costs)
 - ... cannot answer to the **changing electricity market** (Merit order effect)
 - ... leads to higher risks and financing costs
- Balanced mix of tailored instruments
 - decreases support and financing costs and
 - allows for **ex ante consistency** (! taking RES + EE into account when designing the ETS)



Flexibility vs Synergy

- Flexibility is important
 - Energy Mix remains MS competence
 - MS will follow different ways
- Europe should take advantage of synergies in areas of "no regret"
 - All MS will rely on RES and EE to a significant amount
 - **EU-Roadmap 2050:** all scenarios require 30% RES and ambitious EE in 2050
- Targets for RES and EE allow for:
 - EU-framework which lowers financing risk
 - Coordination, consistency of instruments and control
 - Reliability for all actors: investors conventional power park the electricity market
 the grid development (!!) and neighbouring countries
 - Synergies, common efforts and regional cooperation



Challenge: right balance between flexibility and reliability

- Room for different level of ambition and "speed"
- avoiding lost decade or "full stop" in some MS
 - Important for grid development
 - Market challenges
 - Investors confidence
- Need minimum of coherence and common effort

What has been "pledged" must be reliable



Thank you.