

# The Paris Agreement and the EU's response

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#### Climate change proven by science : IPCC (2013)

- Warming of the climate systems is unequivocal and observed changes are <u>unprecedented</u> on scales of decades to millennia.
- <u>Human influence on the climate system is clear.</u>
- Continued emissions of greenhouse gases will cause further warming and changes to the atmosphere, land and oceans <u>in all regions</u> of the globe.
- Limit climate change to <u>2°C</u> compared to preindustrial level



#### • 1992 – Rio 'World Summit'

UNFCCC – UN Framework convention on climate change

#### • 1997 – Kyoto Protocol

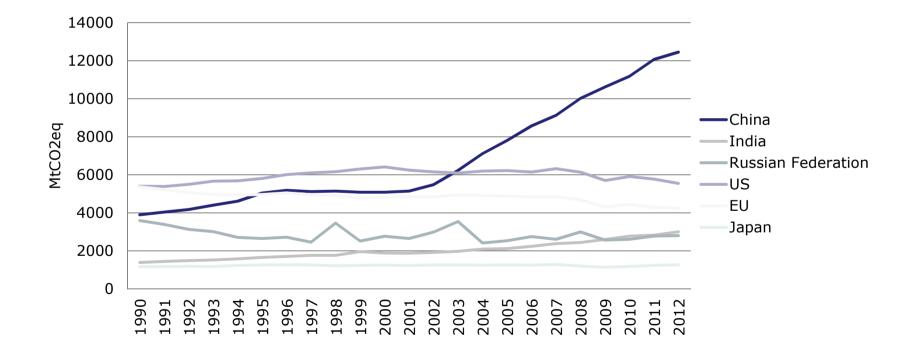
Divide developed / developing countries Covered only +/- 12% of global emissions

#### • 2015 – Paris Agreement

Recognition that the world has changed A changed UN approach : balance between 'top down' and 'bottom up'



#### **Emissions of major economies, 1990-2012** (all greenhouse gases, all sources & sinks)



(Source: historical emissions data: inventories data to the UNFCCC (http://unfccc.int/national\_reports/)

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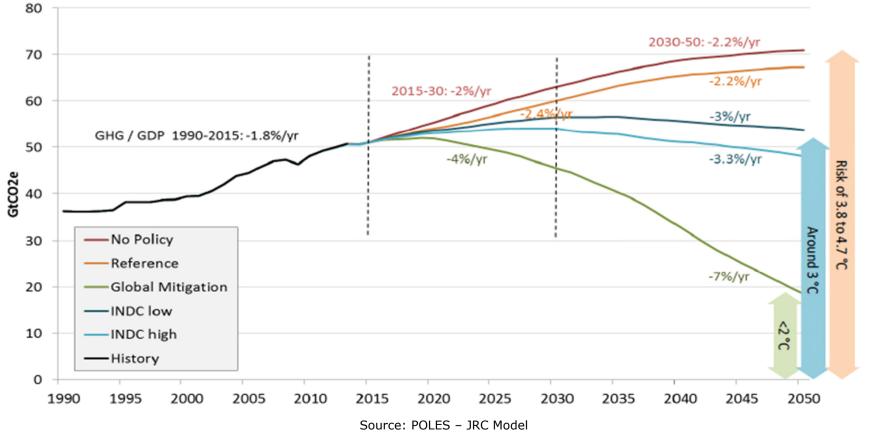
#### **Climate Policy Pledges** (*INDCs*) **to Paris**

- INDCs submitted representing over 97% of global GHG emissions
- 189 countries
- UNFCCC Synthesis Report / IEA Analysis
- *Rather 3° instead of 2°C outcome*



#### **World emissions**

(GtC02e, total excluding sinks) and percent change in emission intensity per unit of GDP





#### **The Paris Agreement**

- Legally binding, universal Agreement
- Long-term goal
- 5-year ambition cycle
- Transparency and accountability
- Support for developing countries





#### **Paris timetable**

- 2018 Facilitative Dialogue and 2020 deadline:
  - Parties with 2025 targets (USA, Brazil) will communicate a new post-2025 target by 2020
  - Parties with 2030 targets (EU, most others) may confirm or update these targets by 2020
  - IPCC special report on 1.5°
- 2020 : Mid-Century Strategy
  - EU may update its 2050 roadmap
- 2023 : Global Stocktake
- 2025 : Communication of targets post-2030



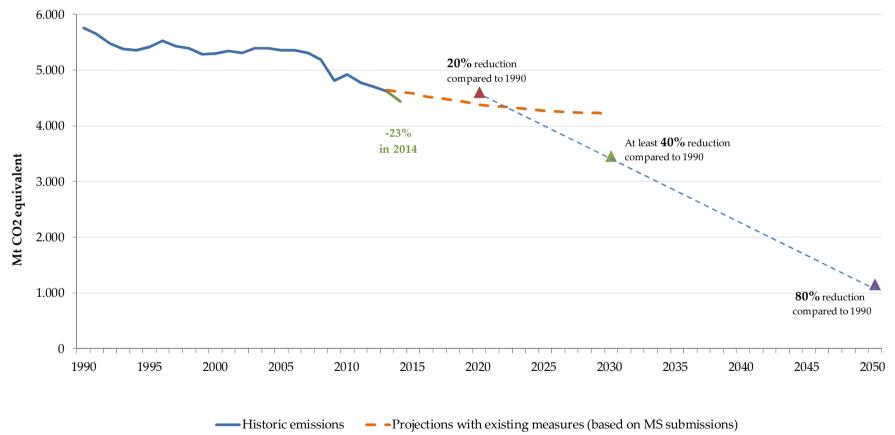
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#### **Total EU GHG emission trend**

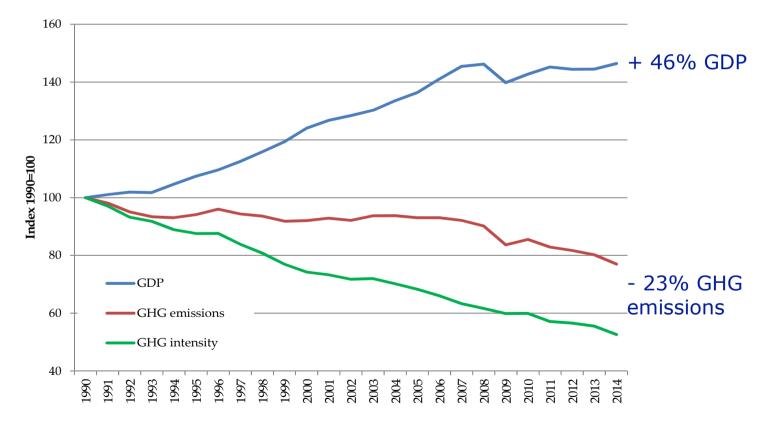


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Source: EEA, Commission



#### **EU : Decoupling growth from emissions**

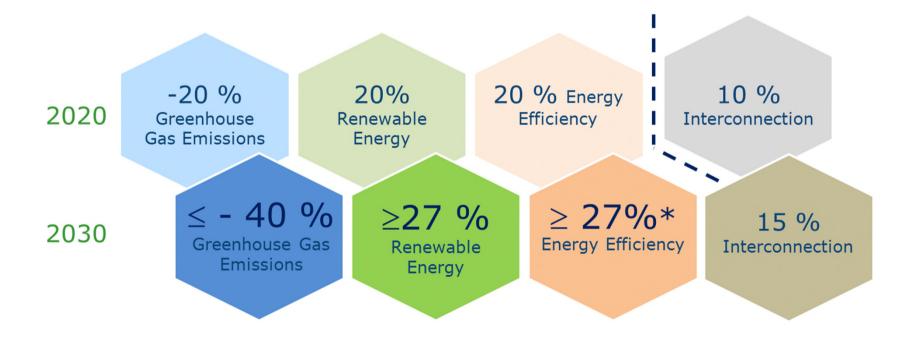


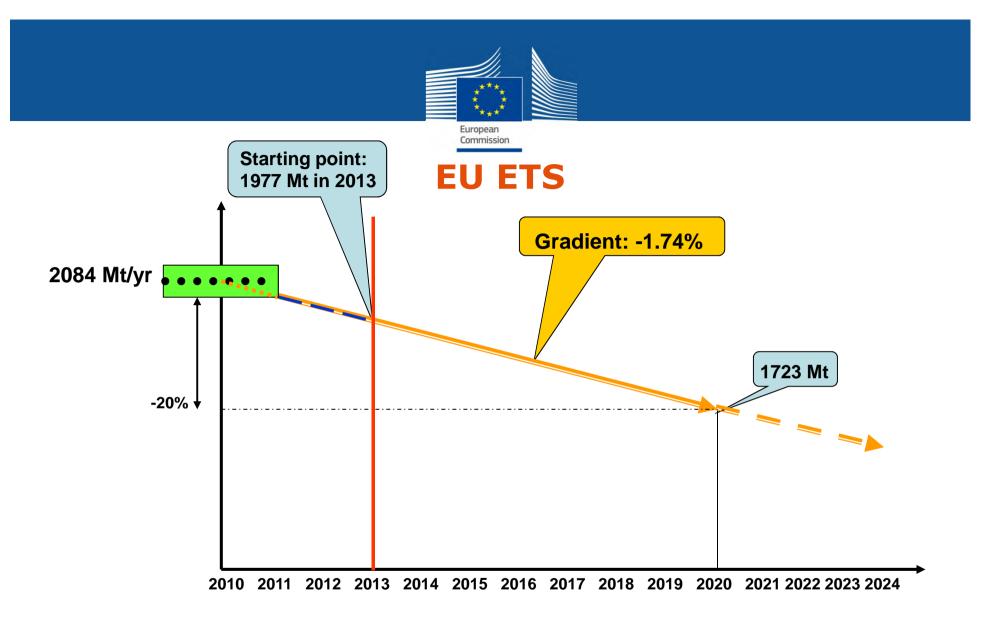
Source: European Commission based on data compiled by EEA

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#### **EU :2030 Climate and Energy Framework**





Revision of linear factor until 2025

>Inclusion of aviation does not affect cap for stationary installations

>Disclaimer: figures are only for illustration and do not take into account extended scope as from 2013



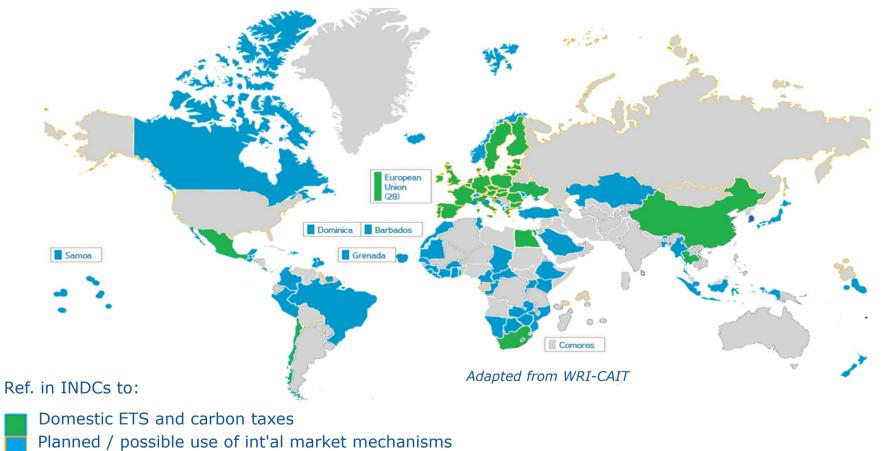
#### The European carbon market



Source: adapted from Bloomberg New Energy Finance (2015)



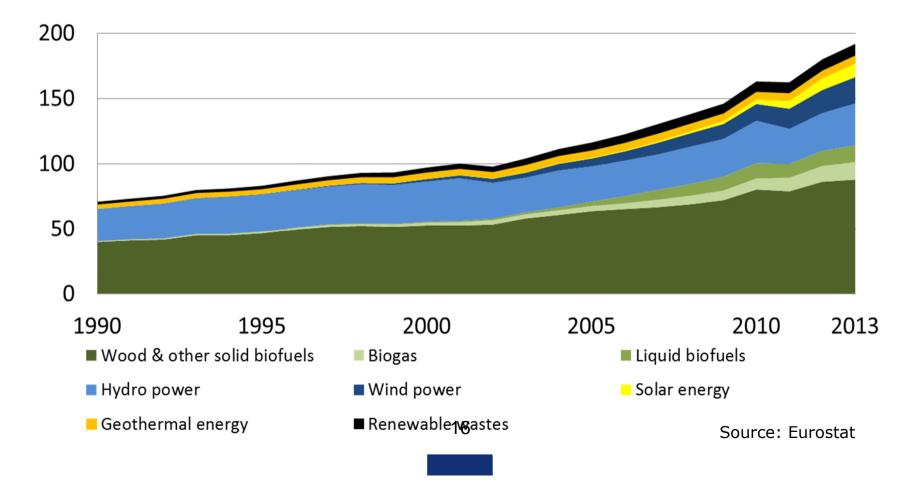
#### **INDCs : References to carbon pricing**



No specific references or no INDC yet



### EU : Renewable energy : today 16 % of energy use in the EU (Mtoe)

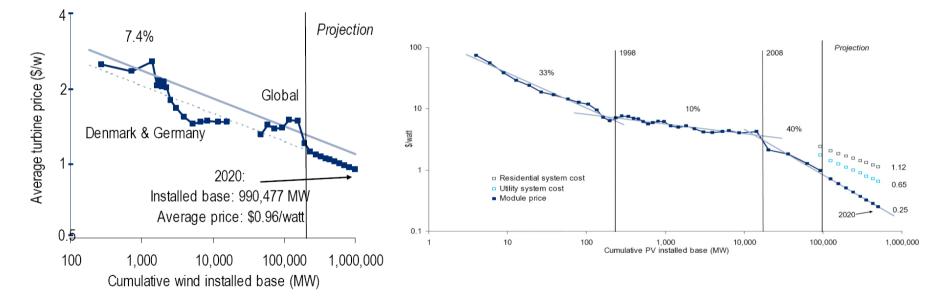




#### Renewables policies contribute to reduce technology cost



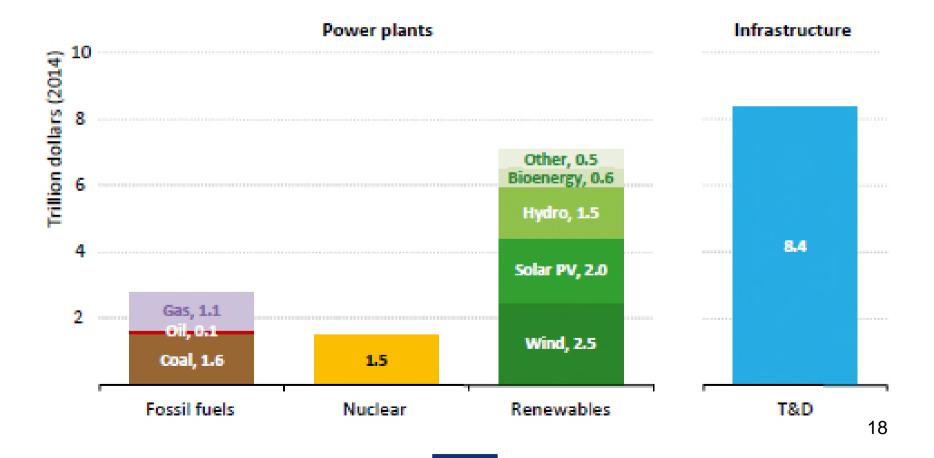




Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, Citi Research

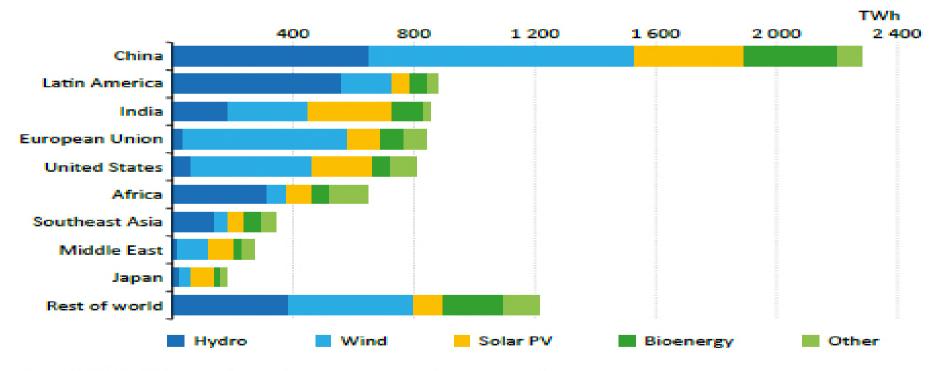


## **INDCs : Global cumulative investment in the power sector, 2015 – 2040 (IEA WE02015)**





### **INDCs : Growth in renewable electricity generation, 2013-2040 (IEA WE02015)**

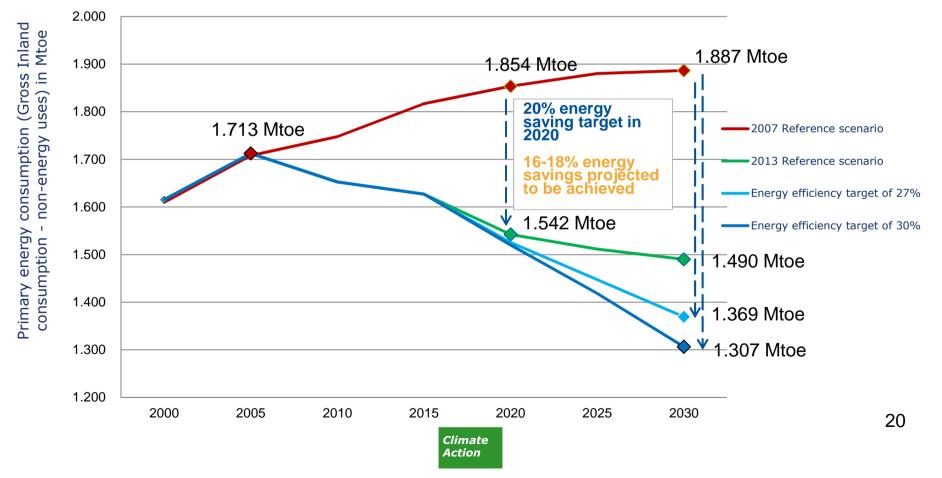


Note: Other includes geothermal, concentrating solar power and marine.



#### Energy efficiency: EU 2030 target: at least 27% of energy savings

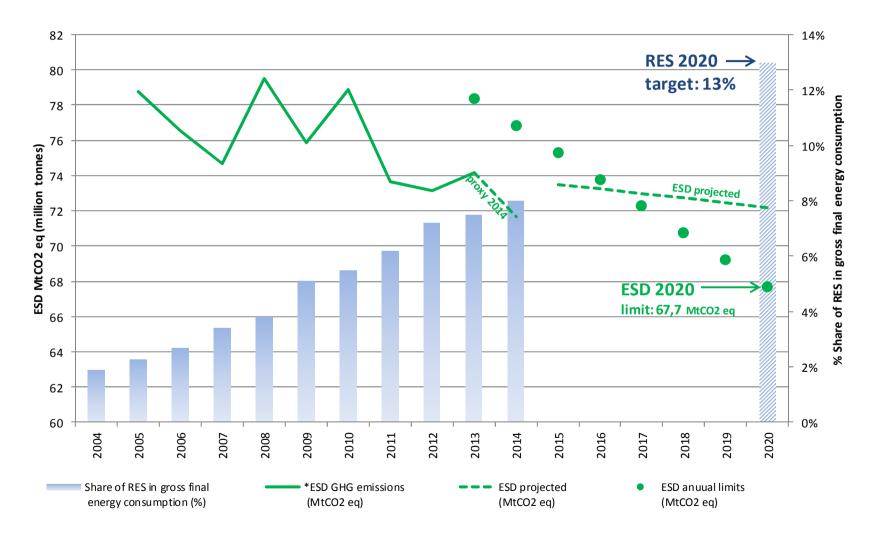
2020 and 2030 energy savings targets





#### **Belgium's progress**

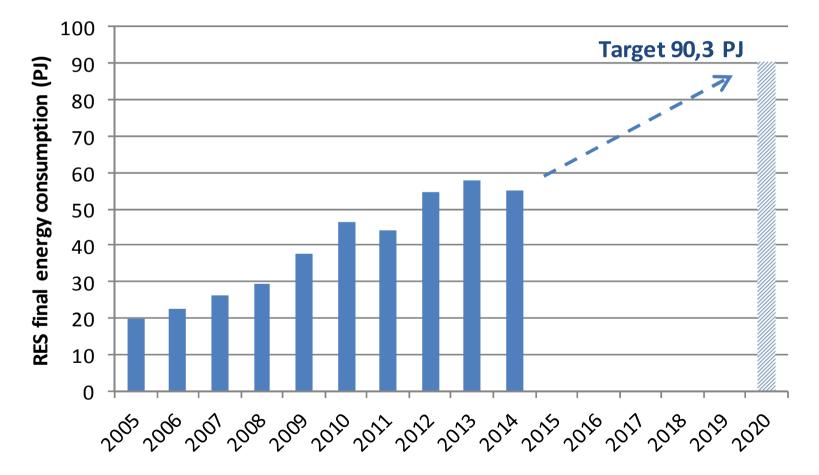
#### - ESD and RES targets -



\* Note: final ESD GHG emissions review to be concluded in 2016

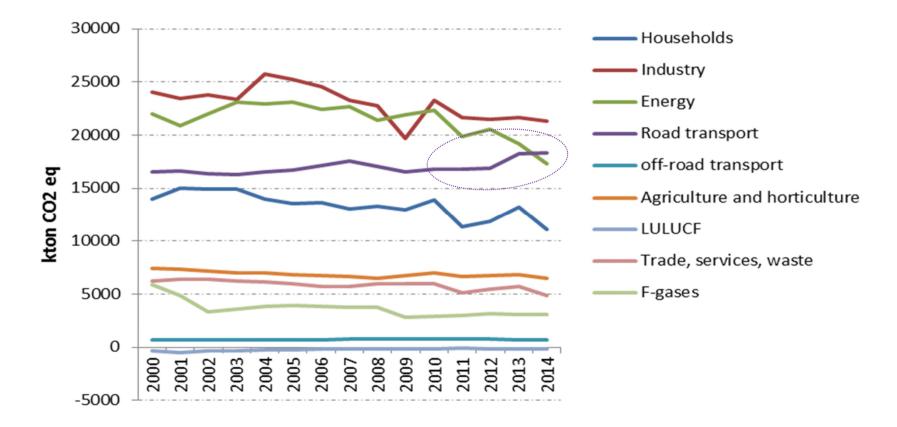


#### Flemish Region - RES 2020 target





#### **Evolution of total GHG per sector (Flanders)**



Source: Vlaamse Milieumaatschappij (Lozingen in de lucht 2000-2014, VMM, 2015)





#### **2016 : Commission to propose implementation of EU INDCs**

- EU ESD : targets for MS including LULUCF
- Transport decarbonisation
- Energy efficiency
- Electricity market design
- Renewables (including biomass, biofuels)
- Integrated climate and energy governance





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