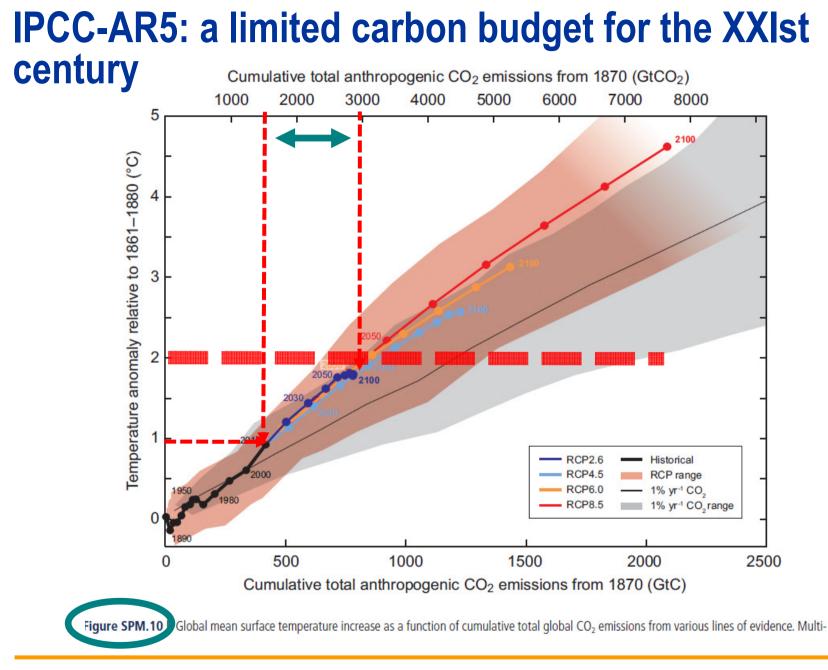
# DECARBONIZATION OF ENERGY SYSTEMS AND GREEN GROWTH FOR EUROPE

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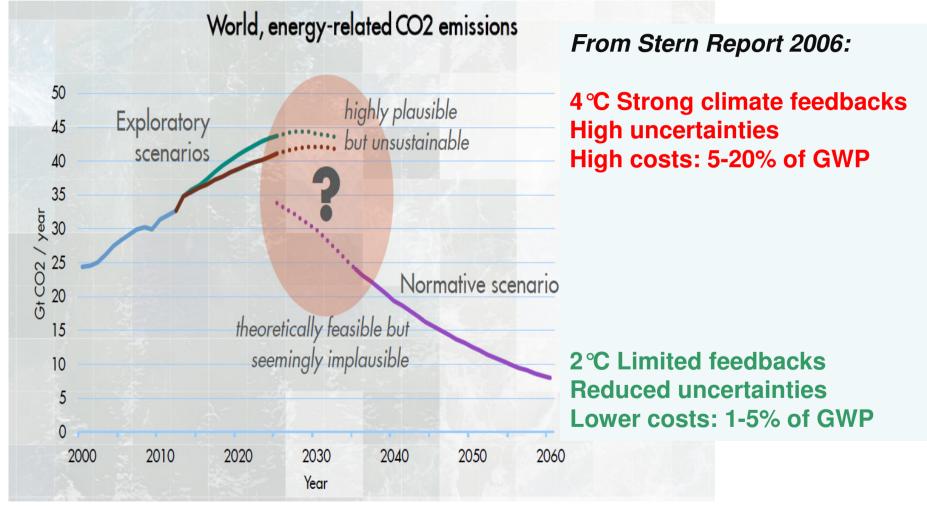
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# Reducing the gap between plausible and sustainable trajectories



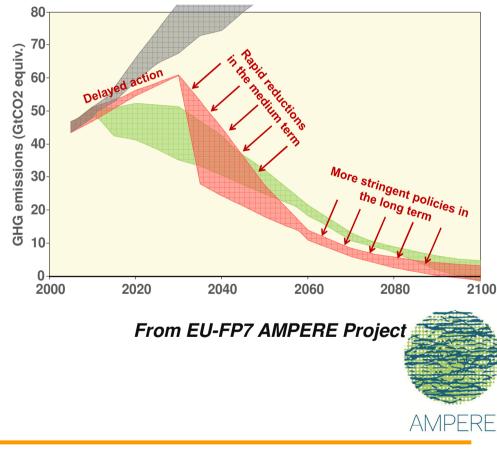


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## The costs of delayed action: AMPERE FP7 Project

- Near-term climate action by 2030 will be critical:
- Continuation along current pledges exhausts ~70% of the emissions budget by 2030
- The lack of near-term mitigation needs to be compensated by massive emissions reductions later in time
- The findings suggest global GHG emissions targets by 2030 of less than 50 GtCO2 globally with
  40% for Europe

# Implications of delayed action for reaching 2°C

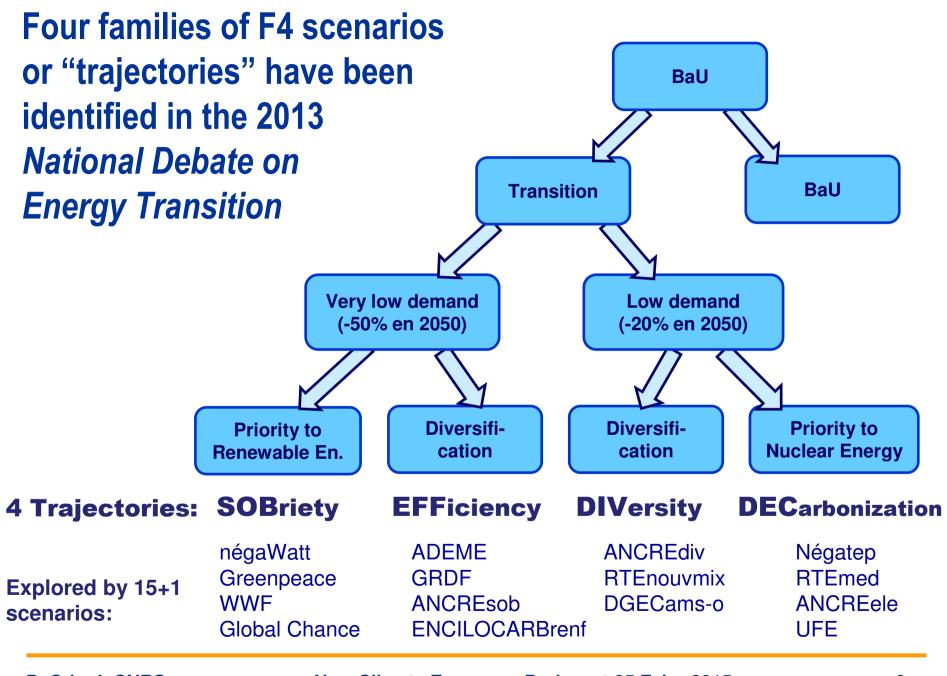


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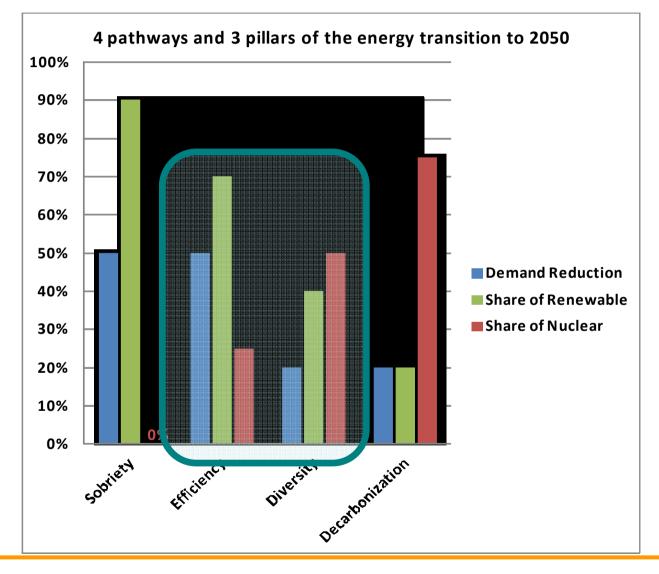
### **The National Debate on Energy Transition in France**

- The Law on Energy Transition for Green Growth has been prepared by a deliberative process in 2013 with:
  - A coordination committee
  - A National Council (7x16 members from: NGOs, consumer associations, Trade-Unions, Business, MPs, Mayors, central administration...)
  - A citizen and an industry group
  - A group of 45 experts in charge of producing relevant and validated analytical materials, including 16 representative scenarios...



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#### "First best" and "second best" scenarios: towards a dynamic management of the energy transition



### **DDPP – The Deep Decarbonisation Pathways Project**

- DDPP = 31 leading research institutions from 15 countries covering more than 3/4<sup>th</sup> of global C02 emissions. Coordinated by UN-SDSN and IDDRI, the project aims to:
  - Prepare transparent national deep decarbonization pathways to 2050 to help countries adopt and implement policies to achieve deep decarbonization
  - 2. Support a positive outcome of the UNFCCC international climate negotiations by 2015 by helping national decision makers to understand what deep decarbonization implies
  - **3. Build an on-going and extending global network** to facilitate learning and promote problem solving in the implementation phase of national of deep decarbonization strategies after 2015
- The DDPP-2014 Report has been presented to UN-Secretary General during the UN Climate Summit, jointly with the New Climate Economy Report

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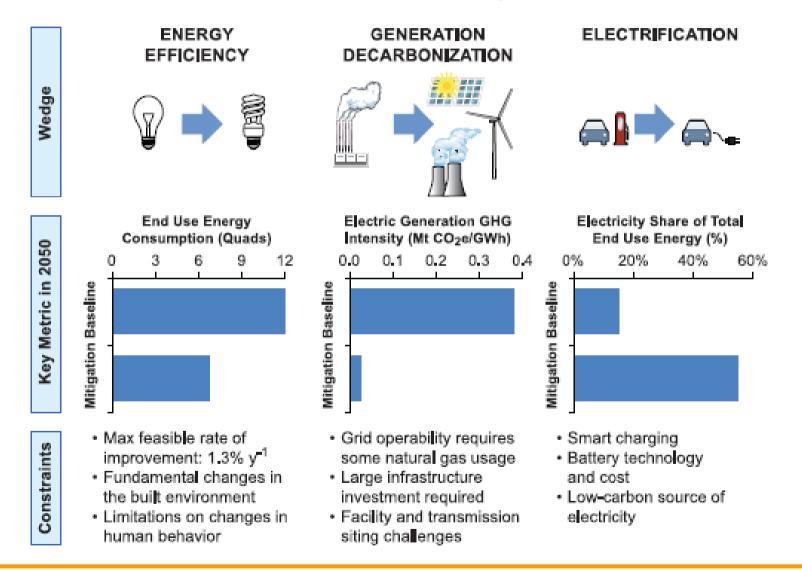
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#### Part III. National Deep Decarbonization Pathways Developed by Country Research Partners

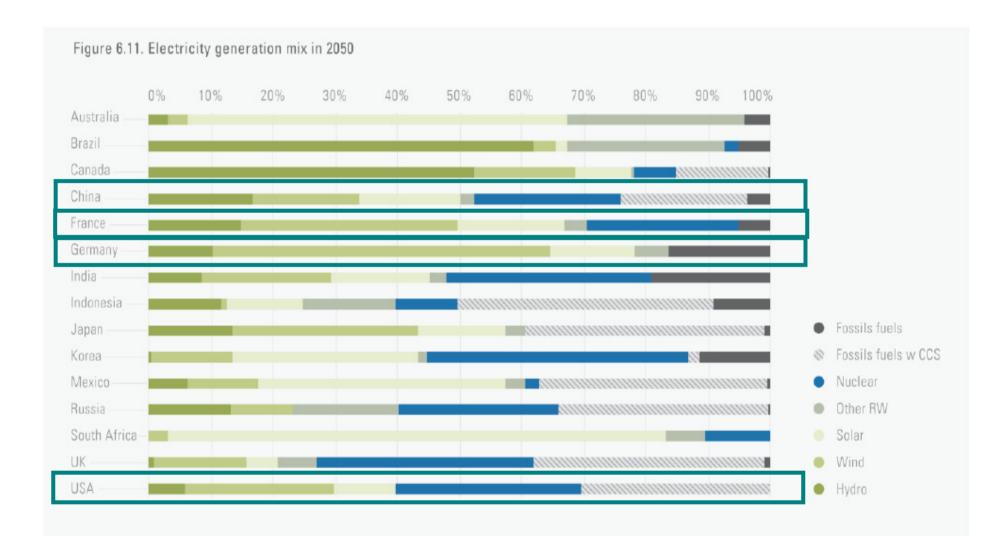
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## The three pillars of deep decarbonization

#### (Jim Williams, Science 2012)



#### Diversity in national solutions: the case of the power sector



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# 7 critical enabling conditions

- 1. Changes in technologies / behaviours / institutions for energy efficiency, retrofitting of building stocks and new transport systems
- 2. Ability to manage a high shares of Variable Renewable Electricity in reliable electricity grids => supergrids, smartgrids, storage
- **3.** Necessity of price signals, implementation of a carbon tax, stabilization of the Emission Trading System
- 4. Availability of adequate financing for the energy transition
- 5. Corresponding employment policy, with professional transitions and training
- 6. Local energy policies, governance and socio-technical feasibility
- 7. Stabilized national, European and international climate policy framework

# **Co-benefits and opportunities**

- A transition based on the decarbonization of energy systems will bring significant environmental co-benefits (e.g. local air pollution and health problems, water quality and availability...)
- It will also reduce the foreign trade deficit associated to energy imports and the corresponding economic and geopolitical risks
- Beyond these significant co-benefits the energy transition is also a major opportunities for Green Growth:
  - Sustainable energy solutions require more investment, both from the public and the private sector (energy efficiency, low carbon technologies, transport and storage, infrastructures)
  - It will thus create new jobs, as substitutes to imported natural capital (oil & gas, coal)
  - It is also a major area for industrial innovation, with a strong case for a "first-mover advantage" in a world that eventually will have to adopt low carbon options
- Decarbonization is thus a core element of a Green Growth for Europe

# Thank for your attention...

 AMPERE project, EU-FP7: <u>www.ampere-project.eu</u>

Deep Decarbonization Pathways Project, UN-SDSN + IDDRI: <u>http://unsdsn.org/what-we-do/deep-decarbonization-pathways/</u>

 New Climate Economy Report: <u>http://newclimateeconomy.report/</u>