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#### The ENERGIEWENDE –

Achieving Greenhouse gas neutrality – the long and winding road

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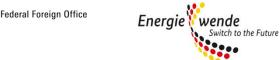


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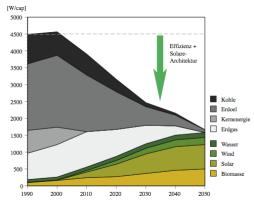


# AGENDA

- History of the energy transition
- Status of the energy transition (Energiewende)
- Future of the energy transition Challenges and next steps



# A very short History of the Energiewende



- 1973 Oil Embargo
  - 1975... Building Codes and REN Institutions
  - 1979 Harrisburg
- 1980 Energiewende

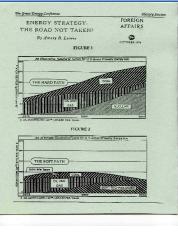


- 1986 Chernobyl Disaster
- > 1990 Electricity Feed-In Act



- > 1992 Rio-Conference  $\rightarrow$  UNFCC 2°C target
- > 2000 First decision to phase out nuclear power

Source: H.Lehmann



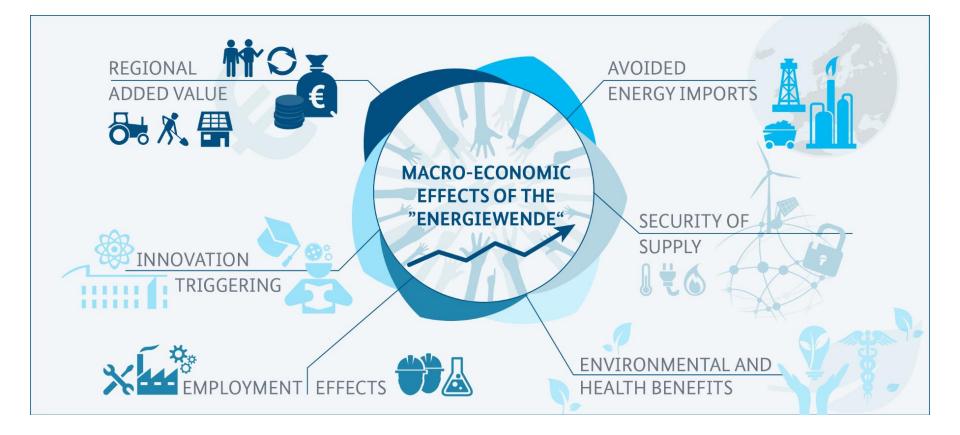








#### **Historical Hopes + Benefits of the Energiewende**



Source: BMWi 2014, ERGO Kommunikation / H.Lehmann

# What is the energy transition ?

- The Energiewende is a technological shift away from fossil and nuclear energy towards renewables and energy efficiency.
- The Energiewende is a fundamental transformation of the energy system and re-alignment of energy policy.
- The Energiewende is an inter-generational longterm process with a time horizon until 2050 and beyond.
- The Energiewende is a public discourse in society about the future of energy supply.

The Energiewende is Germany's long-term energy and climate strategy.

Source: RENAC











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## **Reasons for the energy transition**

- Reduce dependency on energy imports
- Reduce carbon emissions and reach climate protection targets
- Develop of new and innovative technologies
- Create new sources of growth and employment
- Enable nuclear and coal phase-out nuclear
- Demonstrate that energy supply can be both sustainable and economically successful







Climate protection is a strong driver for the Energiewende complemented by strong economic and social drivers for change.

Source: BMWi, RENAC





#### Targets of the energy transition until 2050



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Renewable energy	% gross final energy consumption	16.9 %	18%	30%	45%	60%	
	% gross electricity consumption	38.2 %	Min 35%	Min 50%	Min. 65%	Min 80%	
	Share in heat consumption	13.9 %	14%				
	Share in Transport sector	5.6 %	10% (EU)				
Energy efficiency	% primary energy consumption (vs. 2008)	-11.4 %	-20%			-50%	
	Final energy productivity (2008-2017)	1.1% p.a *	2.1% per year (2008-2050)				
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	Primary energy demand (buildings) (2008)	-18.3 %*				- 80 %	
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Transport	Final energy consumption in transport sector (vs. 2005)	+6.5%*	-10%			-40%	
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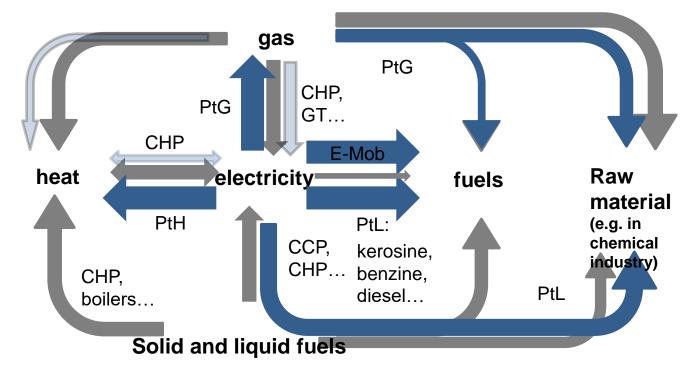


# What is the energy transition ?



**Sustainable energy supply** – no CCS, no nuclear energy, no use of energy crops for energy generation

## Fast growing share of renewable energy: 100% and more

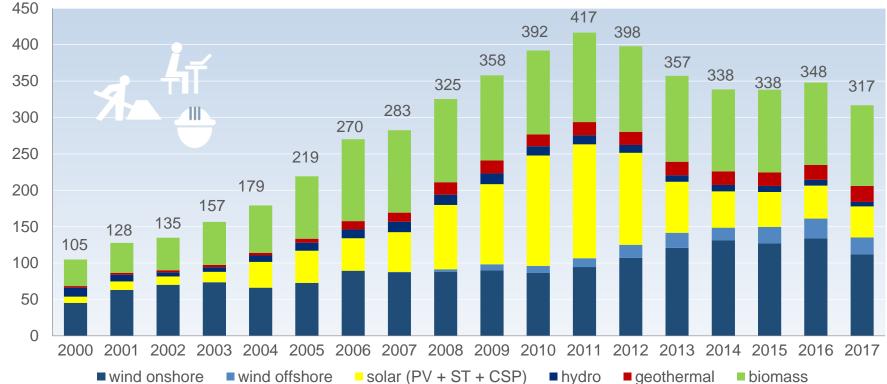






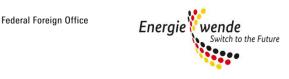
# Benefits of the energy transition – job creation





The renewables sector has positive employment effects in Germany.

Source: BMWi 2019, DIW and GWS 2019

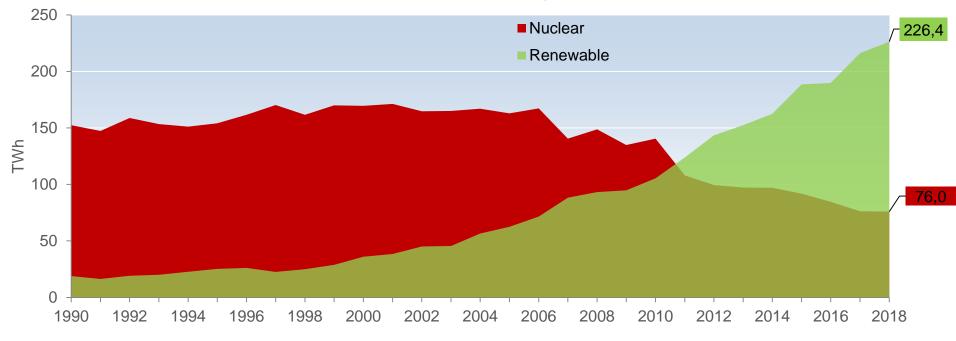




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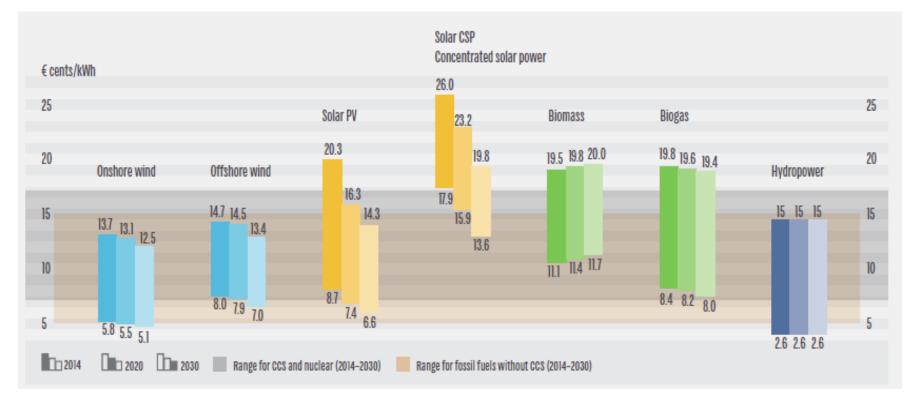
Nuclear power generation will decline to zero until end of 2022. Renewable electricity is constantly rising.

Source: AGEB 2019



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# RES levelized cost of electricity in Europe 2014, 2020, 2030



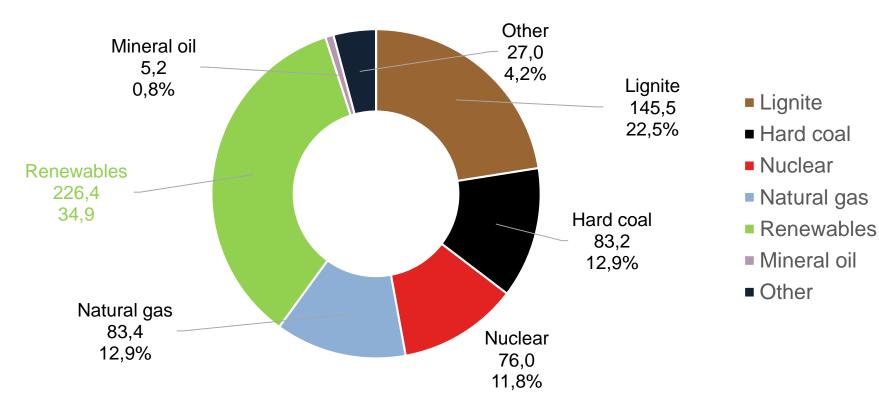
Renewables are increasingly competitive with conventional power plants.

Source: Fraunhofer ISI 2015



#### Status of the energy transition – Gross electricity production in Germany 2018

**Gross** electricity production in 2018 (646,8 TWh)



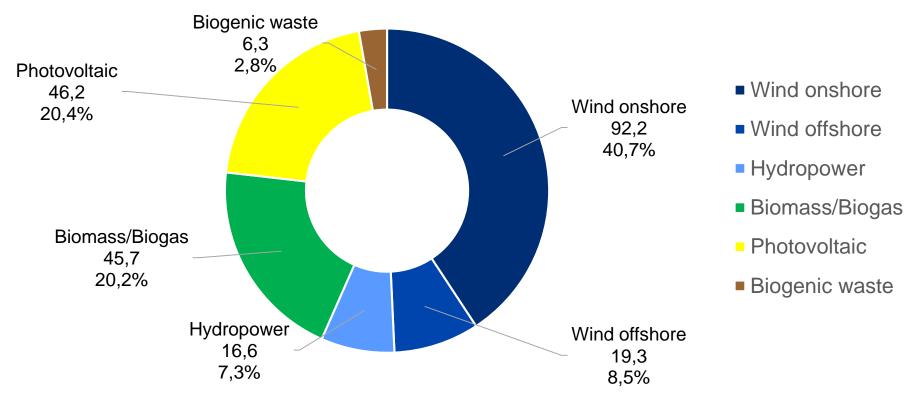
Renewables have become the biggest source of power generation.

Source: AGEB 2019



# Status of the energy transition – Renewable electricity production in Germany 2018

#### **Renewable electricity production 2018 (226,4 TWh)**



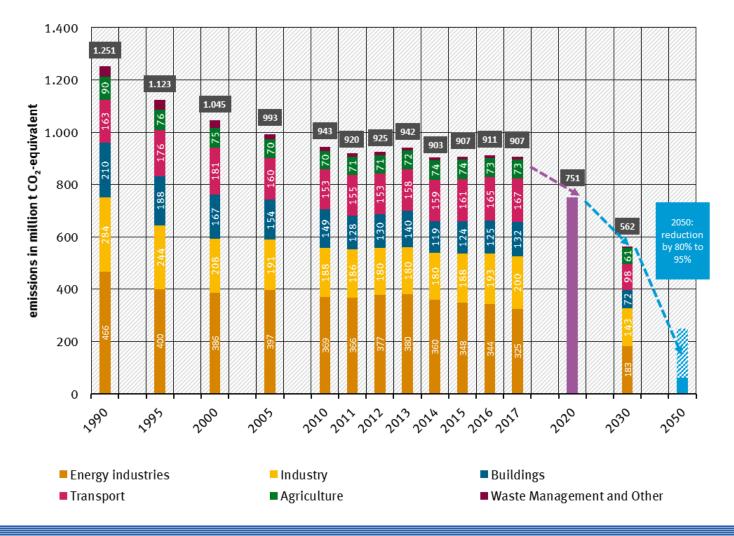
Wind and PV are the most important sources of renewable electricity generation in Germany.

Source: AGEB 2019



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Development of emissions – Does Germany miss its targets?



Source: UBA 2018







# Future - Planned next steps of the energy transition

- **Coal** phase-out (decarbonization of energy sector)
- Climate Change Act (2019)
- Carbon pricing (CO<sub>2</sub> tax or emission trading)
- Energiewende in **heat sector** (buildings)
- Energiewende in transport sector
- **Sector coupling** (power, heat, transport)
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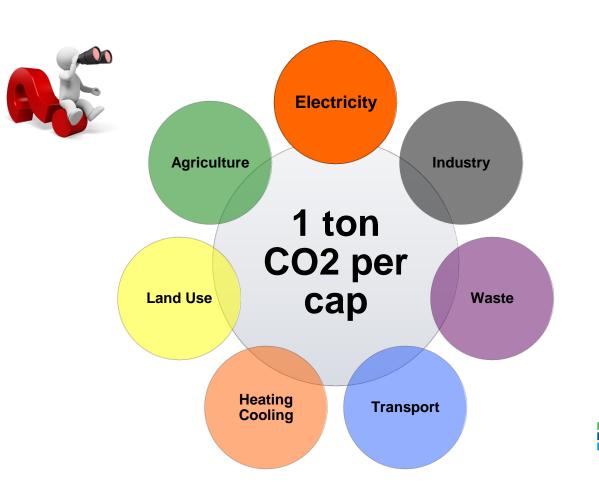
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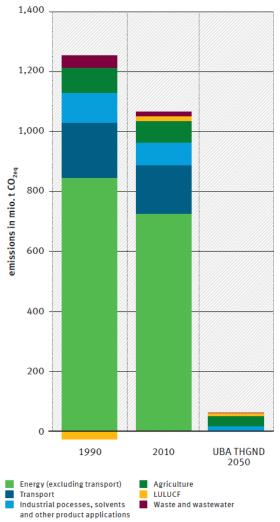
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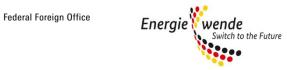






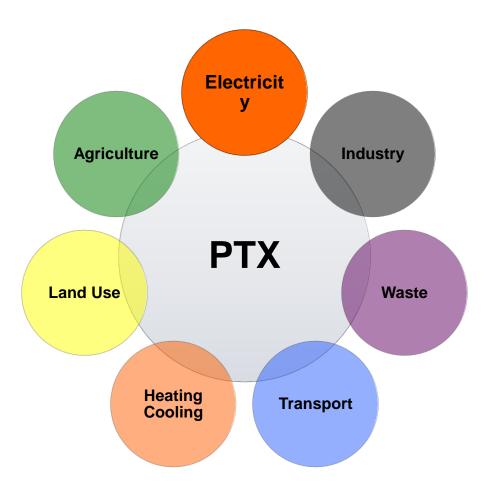
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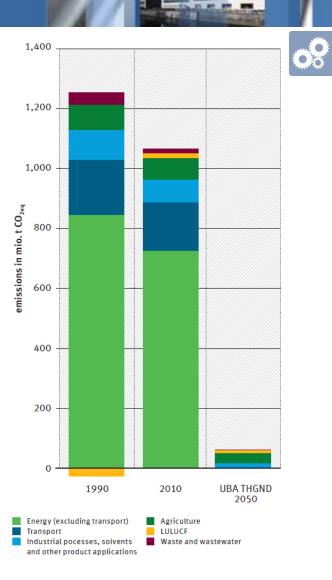
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## Power to X (PTX)

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Source: Harry Lehmann (UBA)













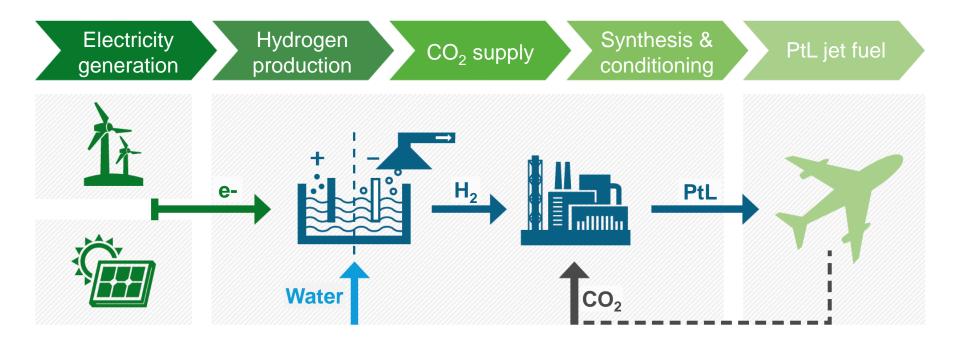
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#### What are "Power-to-Liquids"?

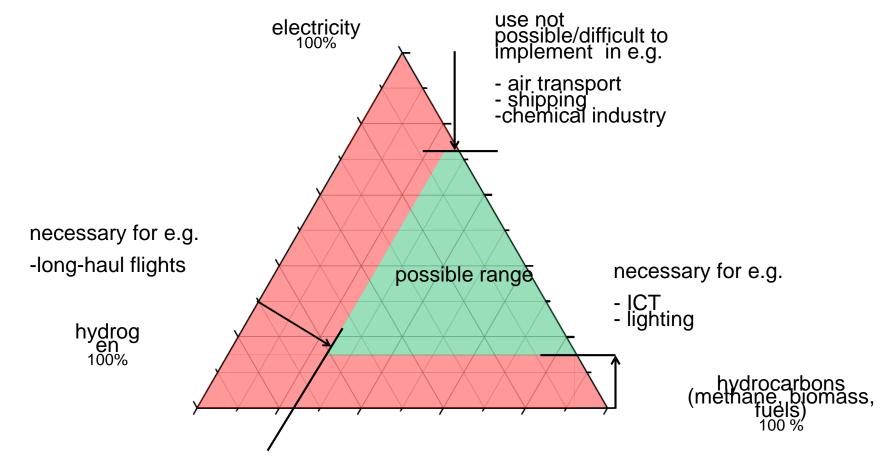


Power-to-Liquids – Potentials and Perspectives for the Future Supply of Renewable Aviation Fuel

Source: LBST/BHL, 2016



#### Possible range of GHG-neutral final energy sources



A renewable system needs hydrocarbons.

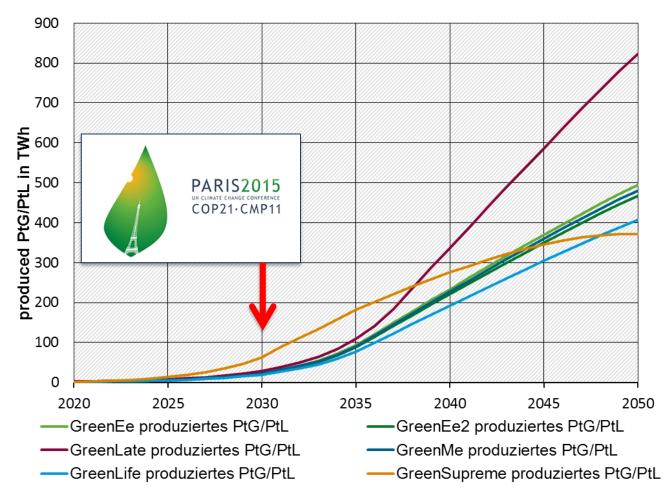
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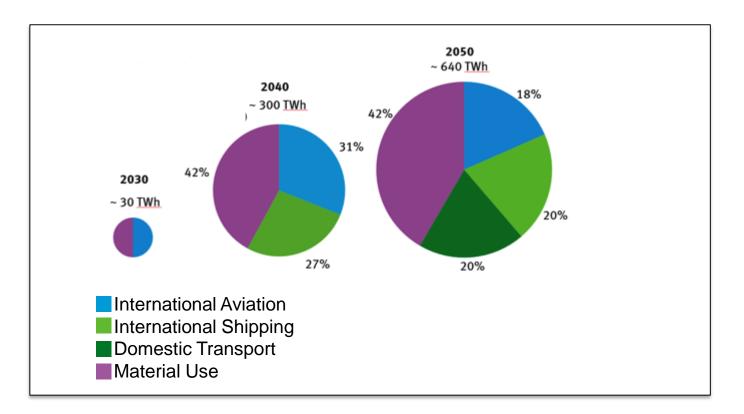
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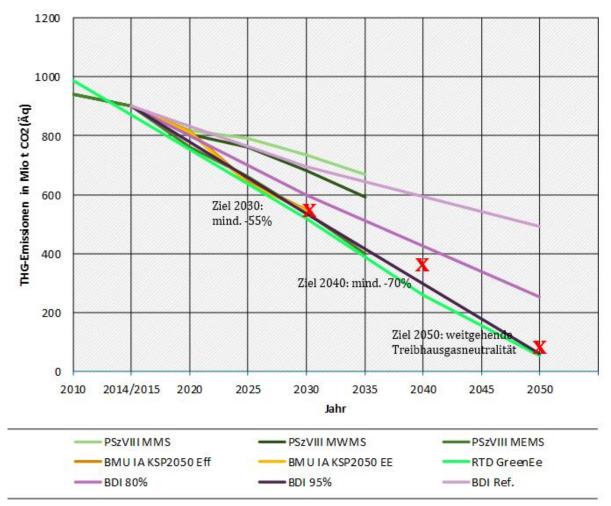
# **Necessary Imports for Germany**



Source: UBA 2019 - RESCUE Study - Resource-Efficient Pathways towards Greenhouse-Gas-Neutrality



#### **Comparison of Climate Protection Scenarios UBA / BMU / BDI**

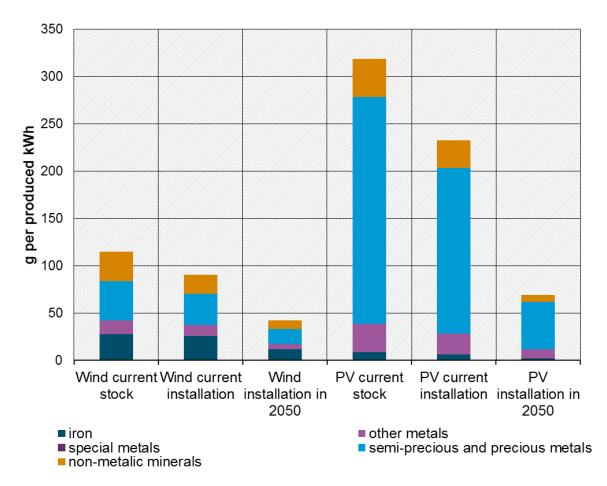


Source: Bundesregierung 2017, UBA 2018 (Projektionsbericht)





#### Greenhouse gas emissions and raw material use



Source: Wiesen et al (2017). Analyse des Rohstoffaufwands der Energieinfrastruktur in Deutschland. und RESCUE Study - - Resource-Efficient Pathways towards Greenhouse-Gas-Neutrality

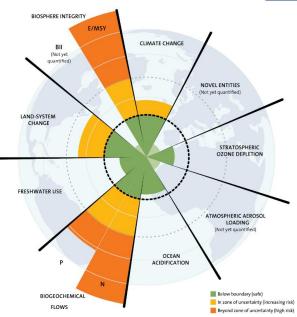






#### 0% ... 2050





















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