
DECARBONIZING INDUSTRY

Extending the scope of mitigation options

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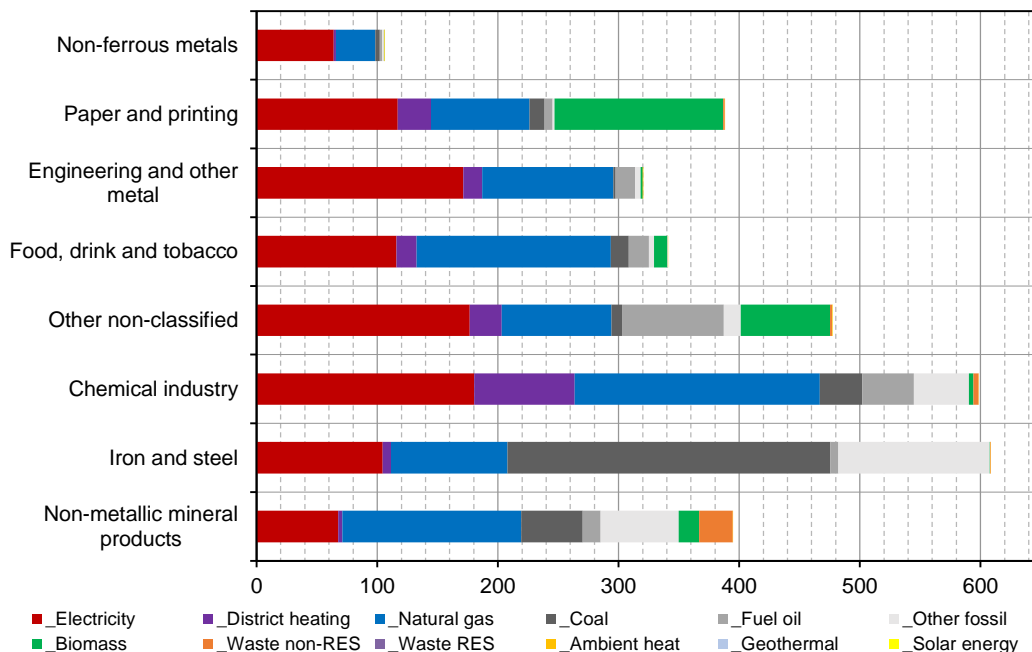
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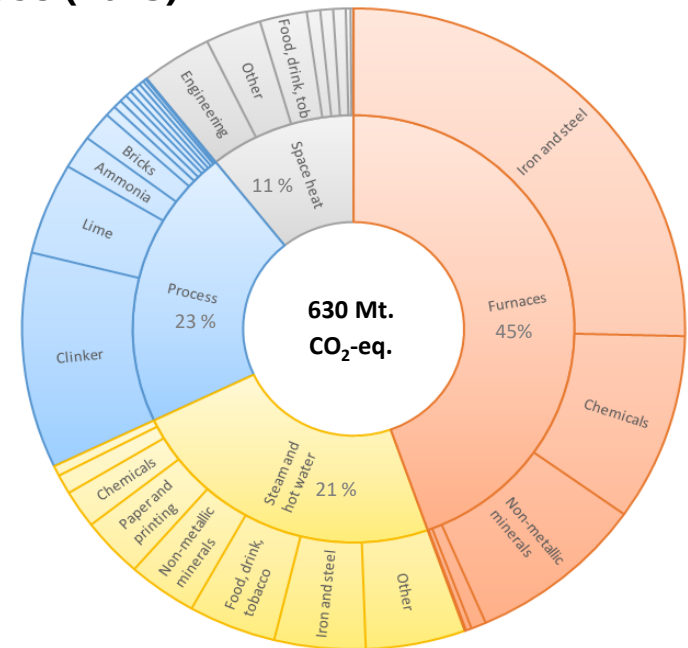
Status-quo: industry accounts for 25% of EU final energy consumption

- Dominant energy carriers: **gas, electricity, coal and oil**
- Challenge: **direct CO2 emissions** (energy- and process-related)
- Current **policy is not on the right track to decarbonisation** and deep emission reductions require significant changes in the sector

EU28 industrial final energy demand (2015)



EU 28 direct industrial emission by type of use (2015)



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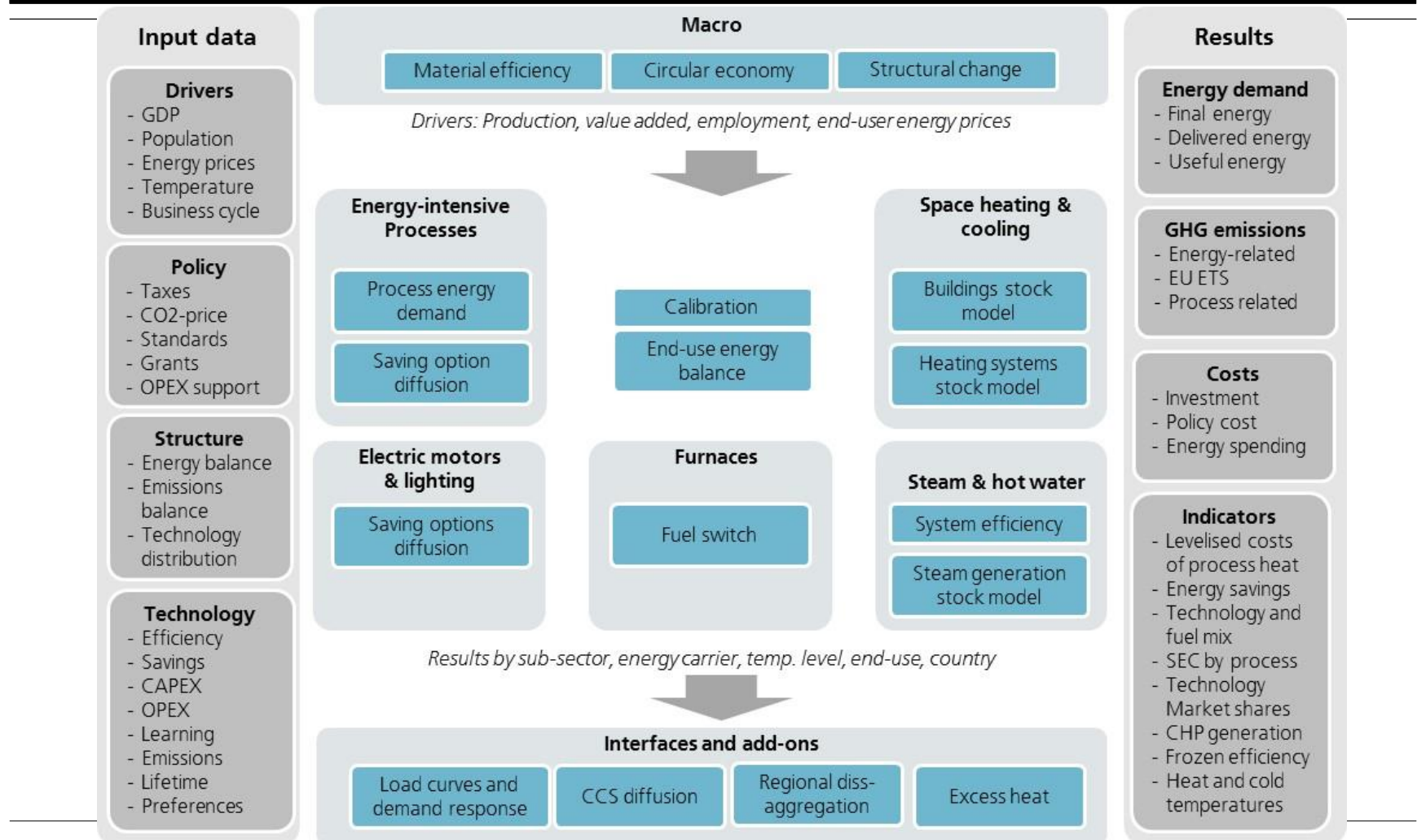
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FORECAST: bottom-up simulation model



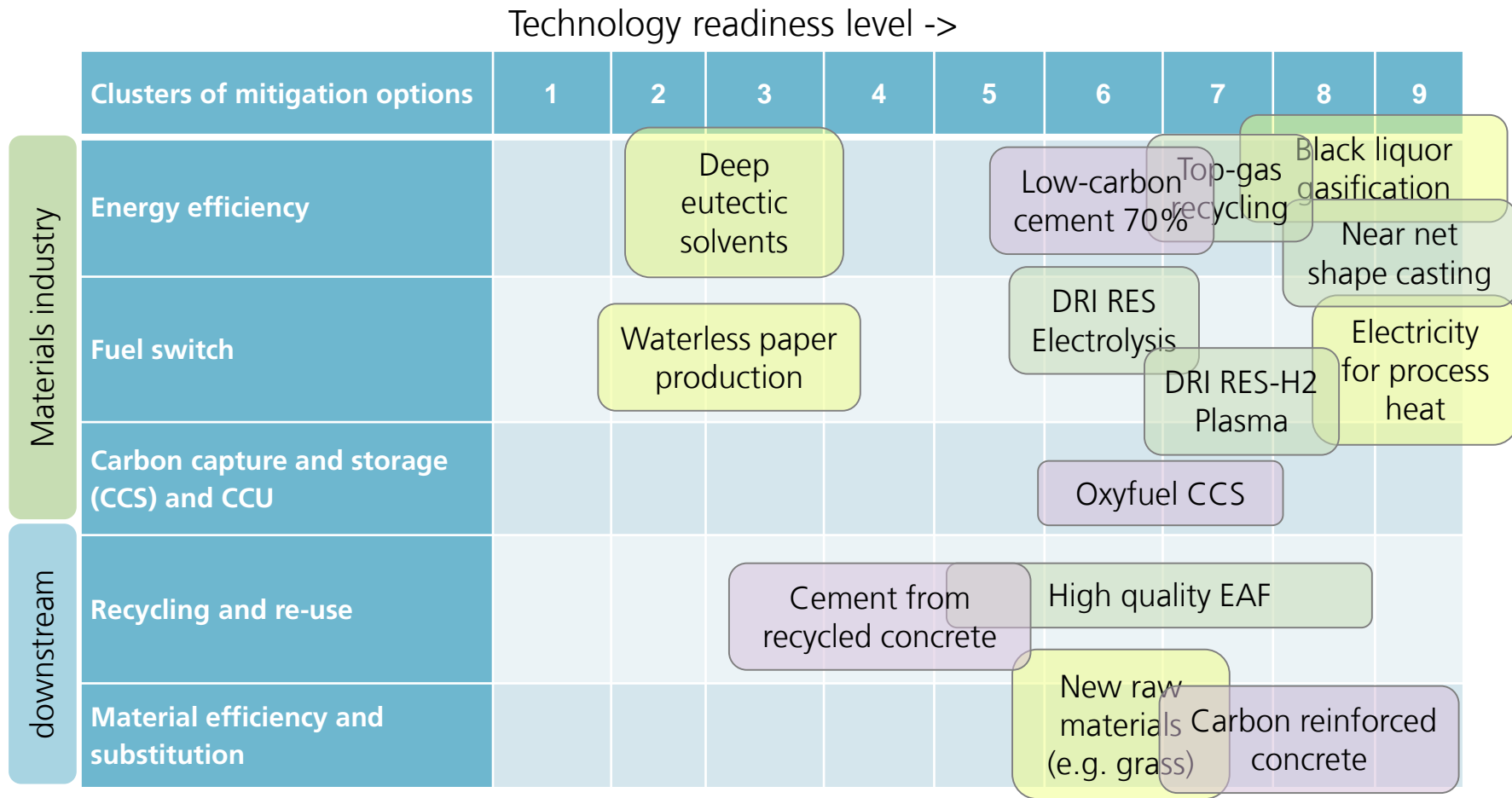
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Scenario characterization by mitigation option

Clusters of mitigation options	REF	TRANS-IPT
Incremental efficiency improvement	Energy efficiency progress according to current policy framework and historical trends.	Faster diffusion of incremental process improvements (BAT & INNOV \geq TRL 5).
Fundamental processes improvement energy efficiency, process emissions	-	Radical process changes (INNOV \geq TRL 5)
Fuel switching to RES towards decarbonized electricity and/or hydrogen	Fuel switching driven by energy prices and assumed CO ₂ -price increase	High financial support for RES technologies: Stronger fuel switching to biomass, power-to-heat and power-to-gas technologies. Radical changes in industrial process technologies drive fuel switch (e.g. switch to hydrogen).
Carbon capture and storage (CCS)	-	-
Recycling and re-use	Slow increase in recycling rates based on historical trends.	Stronger switch to secondary production (e.g. electric steel, secondary aluminium).
Material efficiency and substitution	Based on historic trends.	Decrease in clinker factor. Increase in material efficiency & substitution.

Maturity of technologies: Mitigation options (selection) by TRL

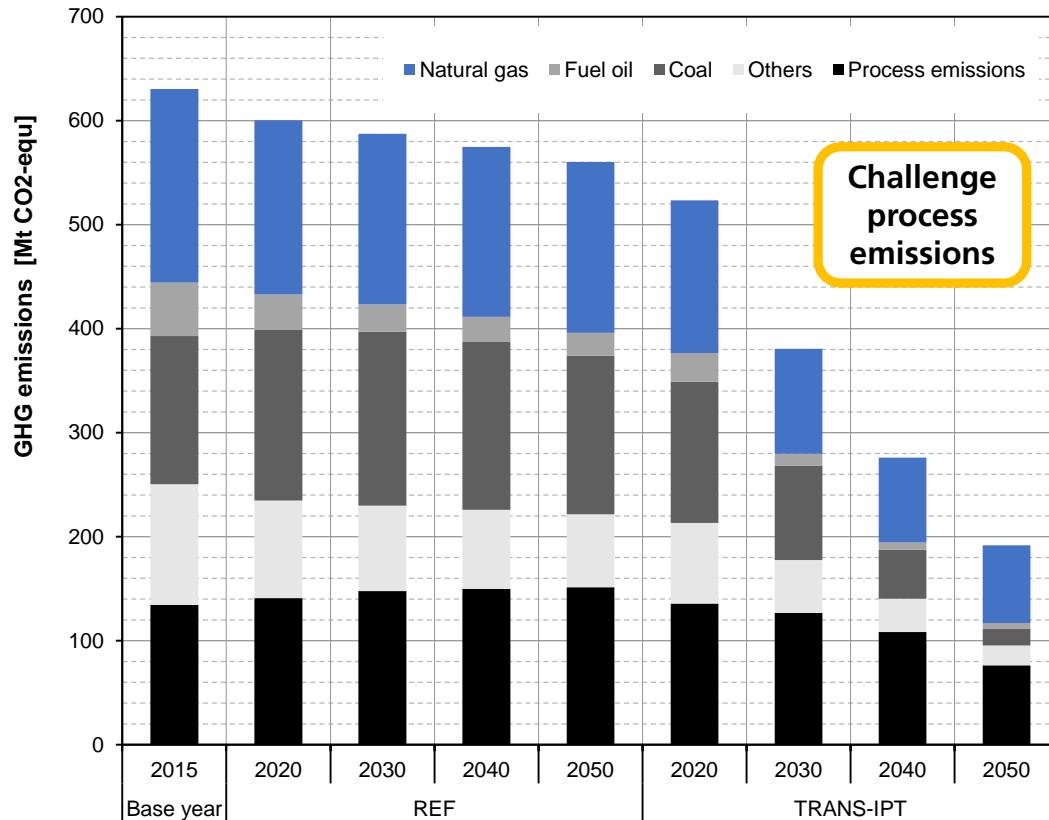


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Very high level of ambition enables a high reduction in industrial CO₂ emissions

EU 28 industrial CO₂ emissions by EC and scenario



Reference:

- Slight improvements visible (e.g. process switch in the steel industry)

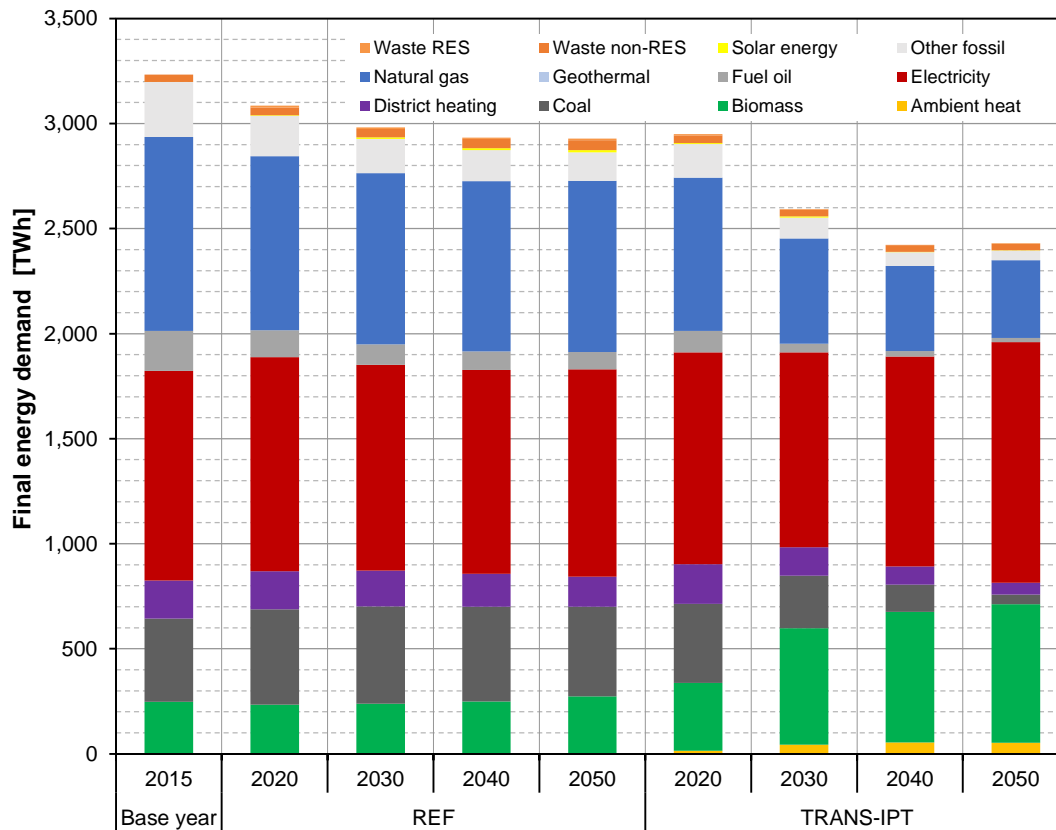
Mitigation scenario:

- Reduction in industrial CO₂ emissions:
 - ~**-70% by 2050 compared to 2015**
 - ~**-83% by 2050 compared to 1990**
- Abatement of **process-related emissions more difficult:**
Radical process changes

Source: FORECAST

Two contrary trends can be observed in the evolution of industrial energy demand

EU 28 industrial final energy demand by EC and scenario



Mitigation scenario:

- **Demand decreases** due to integrated process improvements and fuel switch
- **Large volumes of renewable electricity** will be needed due to radical process changes

Trans-IPT scenario:

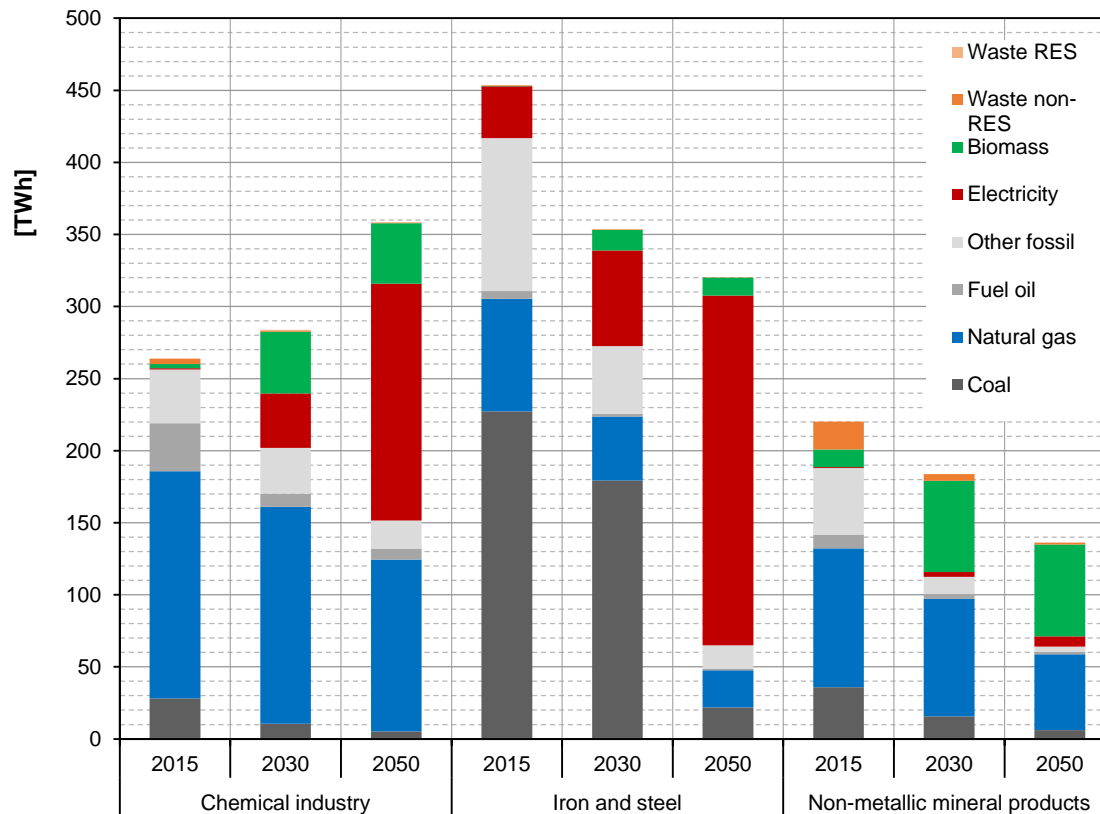
1144 TWh of electricity in 2050 (+15% compared to 2015)

-25% (3233 to 2430 TWh)

Source: FORECAST

Strong shift towards biomass and electricity for process heating via furnaces

EU 28 final energy demand for process heating in furnaces



TRANS-IPT scenario:

- High financial support for **biomass**
- Biomass is used where **technically possible** (e.g. cement & lime)
- Increase in **electricity** driven by **radical changes**: e.g. the use of **hydrogen** in steel production replacing BOF
- Across all sectors and scenario still a **substantial amount of natural gas** is used

Source: FORECAST

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Transition scenarios show that industry can reduce its CO₂ emissions drastically

- **Deep emission cuts require substantial changes** in the iron and steel, cement and chemicals industries, but also **support for RES and energy efficiency** in other sectors and companies.
- Radical shifts in steel and chemicals towards the use of **RES-hydrogen might increase electricity use drastically**.
- **Biomass is the an important RES in industry**, particularly in the medium term. **Biomass resource potentials and their sustainability are limited** (competition with other sectors).
- **RES-based electricity (PtH) can play a more important role**, particularly if electricity generation has very low emission levels. However, electricity is **not yet cost-competitive with biomass** even in the most ambitious transition policy scenario.
- Replacing biomass by electricity would require policies to **reduce the operation costs of PtH**.
- **Improved material efficiency and the circular economy have a huge mitigation potential**. Still unclear what an effective policy mix would look like and this probably encompasses a wide range of individual measures.

Policy mix needs to be adjusted in order to effectively support R&D activities

- **Extending the ETS with a minimum price path** (i.e. a floor price) could provide more long-term clarity and the certainty needed for investors in low-carbon innovations.
- **Public RD funding** will be necessary to accelerate the market introduction of innovative low-carbon processes (e.g. Innovation Fund).
- **Targeted public procurement** can support the market introduction of low-carbon products by establishing niche markets.
- **CO2 tax** as the central element of a broader energy tax reform could provide the incentives needed for fuel switching (especially for companies outside the ETS).
- Increase **policies to boost material efficiency and a circular economy** (e.g. evaluate building codes and regulative framework in construction to facilitate efficient (re-use) of materials).
- Implement **policies to overcome barriers to energy efficiency** (energy management schemes, audits, soft loans, and energy service market).

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Many thanks for your attention!

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