

World Energy Outlook 2015

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The start of a new energy era?



2015 has seen lower prices for all fossil fuels

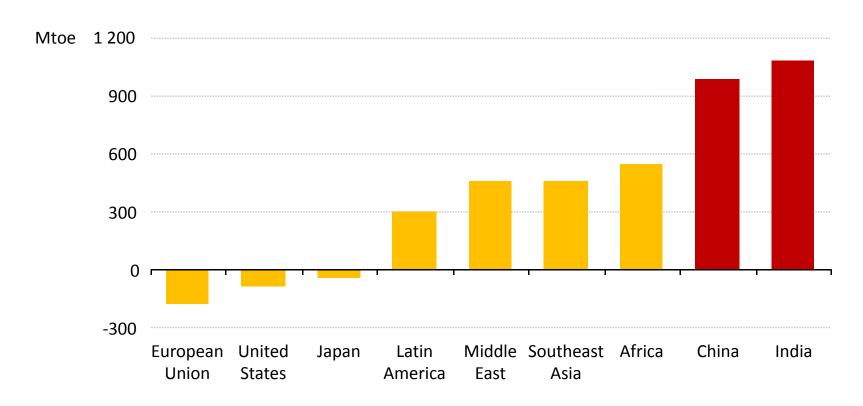
- > Oil & gas could face second year of falling upstream investment in 2016
- Coal prices remain at rock-bottom as demand slows in China

Signals turn green ahead of key Paris climate summit

- Pledges of 150+ countries account for 90% of energy-related emissions
- Renewables capacity additions at a record-high of 130 GW in 2014
- Fossil-fuel subsidy reform, led by India & Indonesia, reduces the global subsidy bill below \$500 billion in 2014
- Multiple signs of change, but are they moving the energy system in the right direction?

Demand growth in Asia – the sequel

Change in energy demand in selected regions, 2014-2040

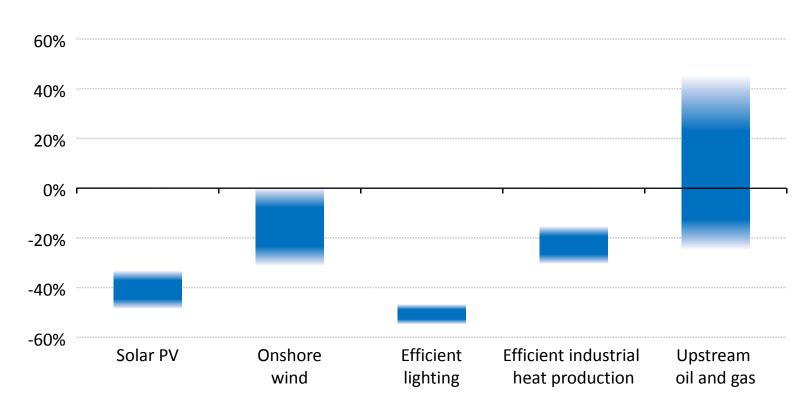


By 2040, India's energy demand closes in on that of the United States, even though demand per capita remains 40% below the world average

Policies spur innovation and tip the balance towards low-carbon



Costs in 2040 for different energy sources/technologies, relative to 2014

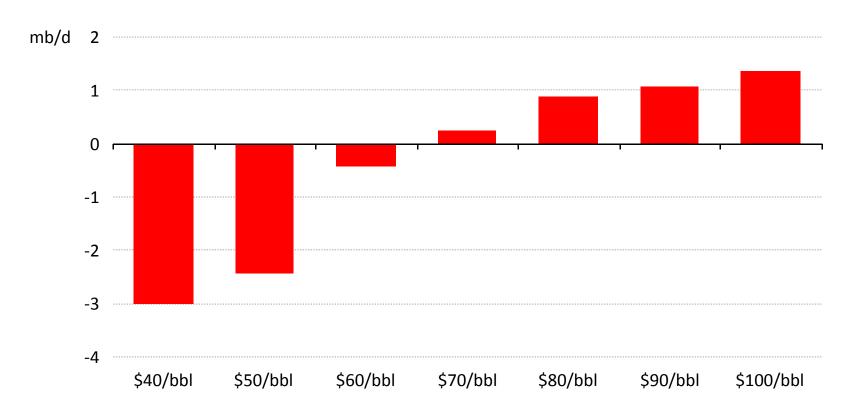


Innovation reduces the costs of low-carbon technologies & energy efficiency, but – for oil & gas – the gains are offset by the move to more complex fields

A new balancing item in the oil market?



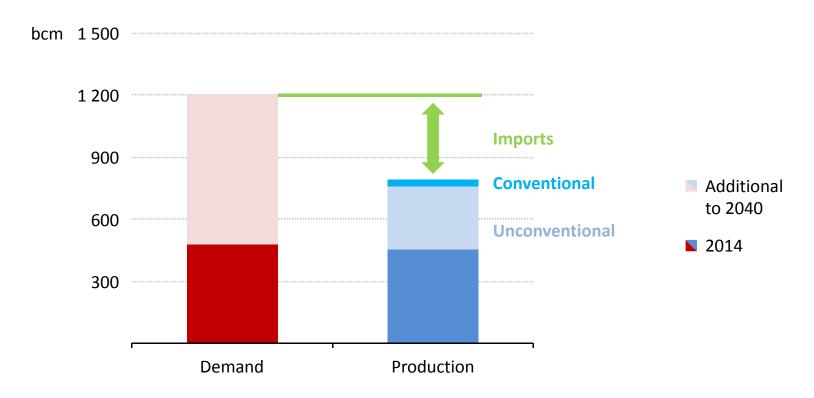
Change in production (2015-2020) of US tight oil for a range of 2020 oil prices



Tight oil has created more short-term supply flexibility, but there is no guarantee that the adjustment mechanism in oil markets will be smooth

The big opportunities & uncertainties for natural gas are in Asia

Natural gas demand and supply in developing Asia, 2040

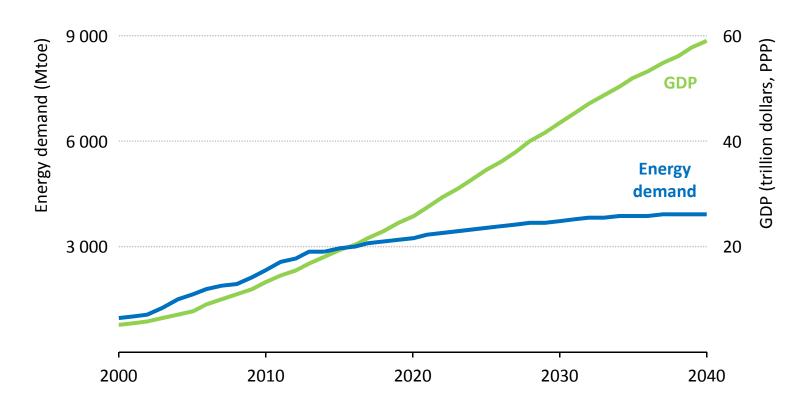


Developing Asia accounts for almost half of the rise in global gas demand & 75% of the increase in imports, but gas faces strong competition from renewables & coal

A new chapter in China's growth story



Energy demand in China

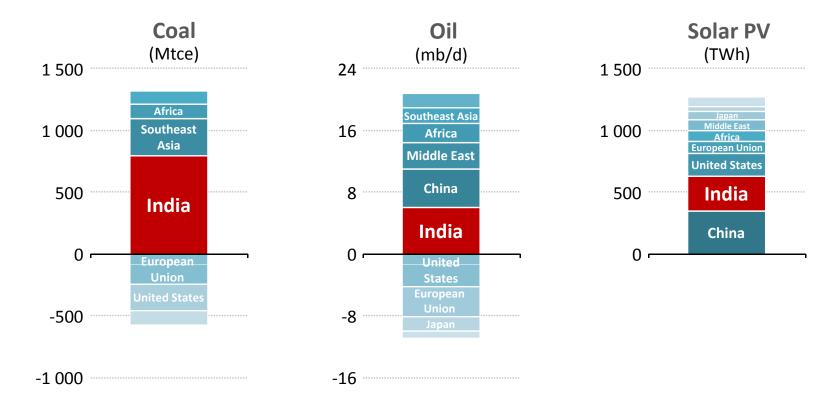


Along with energy efficiency, structural shifts in China's economy favouring expansion of services, mean less energy is required to generate economic growth

India moving to the centre of the world energy stage



Change in demand for selected fuels, 2014-2040

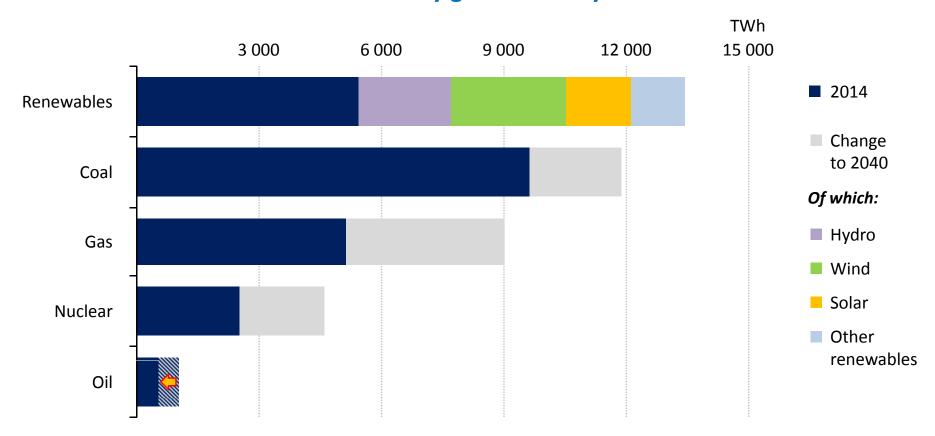


New infrastructure, an expanding middle class & 600 million new electricity consumers mean a large rise in the energy required to fuel India's development

Power is leading the transformation of the energy system



Global electricity generation by source

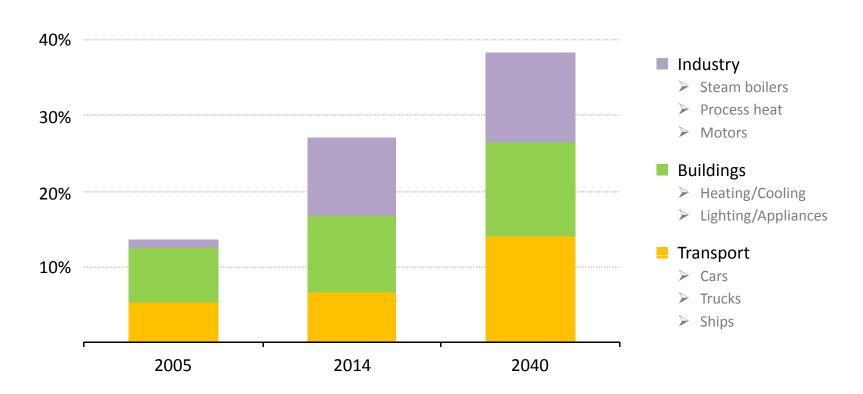


Driven by continued policy support, renewables account for half of additional global generation, overtaking coal around 2030 to become the largest power source

Efficiency measures on the rise, but significant potential still exists



Share of global mandatory efficiency regulation of final energy consumption



Energy efficiency policies are introduced in more countries and sectors; they continue to slow demand growth but more can be done

The coverage of climate pledges is impressive



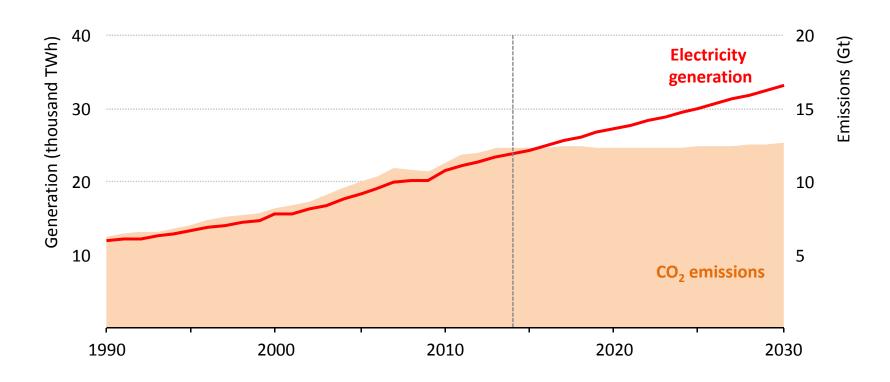


Climate pledges for COP21 are consistent with a temperature rise of 2.7 °C, with investment needs of \$13.5 trillion in low-carbon technologies & efficiency to 2030

Climate pledges decouple power sector emissions from electricity demand



World electricity generation and related CO₂ emissions



The share of low-carbon power generation grows to almost 45% in 2030 so that power emissions remain flat, while electricity demand grows by more than 40%

Conclusions



- Low prices bring gains to consumers, but can also sow the seeds of future risks to energy security: no room for complacency
- India's energy needs are huge: there is a strong shared interest to support India's push for clean & efficient technologies
- China's transition to a more diversified & much less energyintensive model for growth re-shapes energy markets
- The energy transition is underway, but needs a strong signal from Paris: governments must ring-fence policies against market swings
- With looming energy security & environmental challenges, international cooperation on energy has never been more vital



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